



## **For Immediate Release**

### **International Production & Processing Expo**

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## **International Rendering Symposium to Examine Innovations in the Rendering Industry at 2019 IPPE**

TUCKER, Ga. – Nov. 20, 2018 – Rendering is not a new process, as animal proteins and fats have been rendered for centuries. However, new innovations are shaping the future of the rendering industry. These innovations and other topics will be discussed at the [International Rendering Symposium: Innovation in Rendering](#) program, held Feb. 14-15, 2019, in conjunction with the [International Production & Processing Expo](#) (IPPE) in Atlanta, Ga.

Sponsored by the National Renderers Association and U.S. Poultry & Egg Association (USPOULTRY), the symposium will cover a variety of topics, with sessions covering Today's Political Climate and How It Affects Rendering; The Basics of the Rendering Industry and Processes; Being a Voice to Consumers; Overview of Research Being Performed by the Animal Co-Products Research and Education Center; R&D Efforts by the Rendering and Pet Food Industries and Scientists, including the New Pet Food Alliance; Rendered Products for Poultry Nutrition; Equipment Used in Modern Rendering; Federal Regulation of Feed, Pet Food and Ingredients; The Food Safety Modernization Act's Impact on Rendering; Sustainability, Rendering & Pet Food; and the Examination of International Markets, Trade Agreements and Trends for the Rendering Industry.

The International Rendering Symposium: Innovation in Rendering program is scheduled from 12 to 5 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 14, and from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Friday, Feb. 15. The registration cost for the symposium is \$200.

The 2019 IPPE will be held Feb. 12-14 and is a collaboration of three trade shows – the International Feed Expo, International Poultry Expo and International Meat Expo – representing the entire chain of protein production and processing. The event is sponsored by USPOULTRY, the American Feed Industry Association and the North American Meat Institute. For more information and to register to attend IPPE, visit [www.ippexpo.org](http://www.ippexpo.org).

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### **ABOUT IPPE**

The International Production & Processing Expo (IPPE) is a collaboration of three shows - International Feed Expo, International Meat Expo and the International Poultry Expo - representing the entire chain of protein production and processing. The event is sponsored by the American Feed Industry Association (AFIA), North American Meat Institute (NAMI) and U.S. Poultry & Egg Association (USPOULTRY).

### **ABOUT AFIA**

Founded in 1909, the American Feed Industry Association (AFIA), based in Arlington, Va., is the world's largest organization devoted exclusively to representing the business, legislative and regulatory interests of the U.S. animal food industry and its suppliers. The organization's membership is comprised of more than 680 domestic and international companies that represent the total feed industry—manufacturers of commercial and integrated feed and pet food, ingredient suppliers, pharmaceutical companies, industry support and equipment manufacturers. AFIA members manufacture more than 75 percent of the feed and 70 percent of the non-grain ingredients used in the country. AFIA is also recognized as the leader on international industry developments and holds membership in the International Feed Industry Federation (IFIF).

### **ABOUT NAMI**

The North American Meat Institute (NAMI) is the leading voice for the meat and poultry industry. Formed from the 2015 merger of the American Meat Institute (AMI) and North American Meat Association (NAMA), the Institute has a rich, century-long history and provides essential member services including legislative, regulatory, scientific, international and public affairs representation. NAMI's mission is to shape a public policy environment in which the meat and poultry industry can produce wholesome products safely, efficiently and profitably. Together, the Institute's members produce the vast majority of U.S. beef, pork, lamb and poultry and the equipment, ingredients and services needed for the highest quality products.

### **ABOUT USPOULTRY**

U.S. Poultry & Egg Association (USPOULTRY) is the all-feather organization representing the complete spectrum of today's poultry industry, whose mission is to progressively serve member companies through research, education, communication and technical assistance. Founded in 1947, USPOULTRY is based in Tucker, Ga.

### **ABOUT NRA**

The National Renderers Association (NRA) is the international trade association for the rendering industry that safely and efficiently recycles animal and vegetable agriculture by-products into valuable ingredients for the livestock, pet food, chemical and consumer product industries in a manner that protects our environment. NRA's membership represents more than 95 percent of the rendering capacity in the United States and Canada by independent renderers and integrated packer/renderers (those that process their own by-products).