



## **For Immediate Release**

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

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## **Free Education Program Provides Updates on Regulatory Changes in Animal Food Industry**

**TUCKER, Ga. – Dec. 4, 2019** – The American Feed Industry Association’s free [Feed Education Program](#) returns this year to the [International Production & Processing Expo](#) on Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2020, to update attendees on recent changes within several federal agencies. The four-hour program is ideal for animal food facility managers, operations personnel and mill personnel looking to learn about the latest regulatory requirements impacting their businesses.

“This program offers attendees the opportunity to learn how new regulations affect the animal food industry and ideas to help the industry improve its manufacturing practices,” said Gary Huddleston, AFIA’s director of feed manufacturing and regulatory affairs. “State and federal requirements on animal food safety, environmental protection, transportation and workplace safety are regularly changing, and it’s important to stay current in compliance.”

The agenda includes updates on what’s new within the Food and Drug Administration, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency, as well as a discussion on navigating Food Safety Modernization Act inspections at your facility from a legal perspective, followed by a panel discussion with industry representatives on the subject.

In addition to the educational portion of the program, AFIA will announce the winner of its 2019 Feed Facility of the Year program. AFIA, in cooperation with *Feedstuffs*, conducts the Feed Facility of the Year program to recognize companies for outstanding performance in animal food manufacturing. The program recognizes winners in four categories, including: integrator, commercial dry livestock feed, liquid feed and premix manufacturing, and among those, a top facility is selected to be the Feed Facility of the Year. Visit [afia.org](http://afia.org) to see a list of previous award winners.

The Feed Education Program will be held from 8 a.m. to noon on Jan. 29. More information is available on the [IPPE website](#). [Online registration for IPPE](#) is now open, and this program is included with trade show admission. Register by Jan. 10 for the early-bird rate of \$75. The rate is \$125 starting Jan. 11.

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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.