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International Production & Processing Expo

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International Rendering Symposium to Concentrate on the Latest Developments in Rendering

TUCKER, Ga. – Jan. 6, 2021 – Often referred to as “the invisible industry,” the rendering industry plays a key role in making animal agriculture more sustainable. On an annual basis, renderers safely convert upwards of 50 billion pounds of inedible animal products, such as fat, bone and used cooking oil, into everyday products, which both reduces food waste and helps make animal agriculture an increasingly sustainable piece of the global food industry. The continued successes of this industry, as well as the challenges it faces, will be discussed in a virtual format during the 2021 International Rendering Symposium, held during the week of the digital 2021 International Production & Processing Expo (IPPE) Marketplace.

Hosted by the North American Renderers Association (NARA), in partnership with U.S. Poultry & Egg Association (USPOULTRY), the International Rendering Symposium will address international markets for rendered products, the rendering industry’s role in advancing the agricultural sector’s commitment to be more sustainable, and other challenges and opportunities facing the rendering industry. The half-day program is scheduled from 1 – 4 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 28, and the cost of registration is \$50. Click [here](#) to register.

The digital 2021 IPPE Marketplace will take place Jan. 25-29. Through the IPPE Marketplace, more than 1,000 exhibitors will be connected with IPPE’s worldwide audience of 30,000-plus invited participants. The IPPE Marketplace will also include live and on-demand, free and paid education programs, on-demand TECHTalks and innovative products through the Innovation Station/New Product Showcase. More information on the IPPE Marketplace can be found at 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 nearly 700 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's members manufacture more than 75% of the feed and 70% of the non-whole 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 Association progressively serving its poultry and egg members through research, education, communications and technical services. Founded in 1947, USPOULTRY is based in Tucker, Georgia.

ABOUT NARA

The North American Renderers Association (NARA) represents the interests of the North American rendering industry to regulatory and other governmental agencies, promotes the greater use of animal byproducts, and fosters the opening and expansion of trade between foreign buyers and North American exporters. In addition to its U.S.-based headquarters, the association maintains offices in Mexico and Hong Kong, and has market consultants in strategic locations around the world. NARA publishes a bi-monthly trade magazine, *Render*. For more information, visit www.nara.org.