

**ORGANIZATION: AGROTAIN International, Inc.**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Dr. Fred E. Below**, Professor of Plant Physiology, University of Illinois

**TOPICS:**

- "Seven Wonders of the Corn Yield World" for growing 300 bushel corn--weather and nitrogen are the two most important factors.

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**ORGANIZATION: American Farm Bureau Federation**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

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**TOPICS:**

- Farm Bill
- Free Trade Agreements

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**ORGANIZATION: American Seed Trade Association**

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- **Andy LaVigne**, President & CEO
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- **Julie Douglas**, Director of Communications

**TOPICS:**

- Patent expiration
- Co-existence
- Farm Bill
- Trade
- State of the seed industry: trends, products, technologies

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**ORGANIZATION: American Sugar Alliance**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Jack Pettus**, Chairman

**TOPICS:**

- Sugar Policy
- Farm Bill

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**ORGANIZATION: Animal Agriculture Alliance**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Kay Johnson Smith**, Executive Vice President
- **Chris Ashworth**, Chairperson-Elect
- **Sarah Hubbard**, Communications Director

**TOPICS:**

- Animal welfare on today's farms
- Activist attacks on agriculture
- Agriculture education and outreach
- College Aggies Online scholarship competition
- Farm and facility security recommendations
- International animal welfare guidelines

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**ORGANIZATION: Corn Refiners Association**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Audrae Erickson**, President

**TOPICS:**

- High fructose corn syrup and the optional name "corn sugar" petition filed with the FDA

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**ORGANIZATION: CropLife America**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Dr. Barb Glenn**, VP, Science and Regulatory Affairs

**TOPICS:**

- Regulatory issues: spray drift, the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act and NPDES permitting

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**ORGANIZATION: Farm Credit Administration**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Leland A. Strom**, Chairman & CEO

**TOPICS:**

- Condition of the Farm Credit System Conditions in Agriculture Land Values

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**ORGANIZATION: National Biodiesel Board**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Ben Evans**, Director of Federal Communications

**TOPICS:**

- Renewable Fuels Standard
- National energy security

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**ORGANIZATION: National Cattlemen’s Beef Association**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Kristina Butts**, Executive Director of Legislative Affairs

**TOPICS:**

- New Congress, New Opportunities
- Obama’s regulatory review
- Death tax repeal
- Free Trade Agreements
- BEEF 101 on Capitol Hill

- **Ashley Lyon**, Deputy Environmental Counsel

**TOPICS:**

- EPA’s regulatory rampage
- Dust
- Chesapeake Bay
- Nutrient Criteria Rule
- Greenhouse gases

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**ORGANIZATION: National Association of Corn Growers**

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- **Sam Willett**, Sr. Director, Public Policy
- **Jessica Bennett**, Director, Public Policy
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**TOPICS:**

- Budget
- Farm Bill
- Water quality
- Ethanol
- Trade

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**ORGANIZATION: National Council of Farmer Cooperatives**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Chuck Conner**, President & CEO

**TOPICS:**

- Farm Bill and budget impact
- Pending trade agreements
- Foreign market development

- **Lisa Kelley**, VP of Government Affairs

**TOPICS:**

- Environmental and other regulatory issues

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**ORGANIZATION: National Milk Producers Federation**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Christopher Galen**, Sr. VP, Communications

**TOPICS:**

- Dairy policy and the Farm Bill
- Raw milk regulation at the state level
- Membership in USFRA

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**ORGANIZATION: National Farmers Union**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

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**TOPICS:**

- Renewable Energy: why it's necessary and the investments needed
- Farm Bill

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**ORGANIZATION: National Pork Producers Council**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Nick Giordano**, VP and International Trade Counsel

**TOPICS:**

- Mexican Trucking, Free Trade Agreements
- **Audrey Adamson**, VP, Domestic Policy Issues
- **Chris Wall**, Asst. VP, Government Relations

**TOPICS:**

- GIPSA Rule

- **Chelsie Redalen Keys**, Dir. of Government Relations

**TOPICS:**

- Antibiotics
- **Michael Formica**, Chief Environmental Counsel

**TOPICS:**

- EPA regulations
- Feed availability

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**ORGANIZATION: Renewable Fuels Association**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Chuck Woodside**, Chairman and CEO of KAAPA Ethanol
- **Matt Hartwig**, Communications Director

**TOPICS:**

- Ethanol tax policy
- Renewable Fuels Standard
- Food and feed production
- Global ethanol trade
- Ethanol infrastructure
- E15 and other higher level ethanol blends
- Federal regulations
- Advanced ethanol production and policy

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**ORGANIZATION: The Farm Credit Council**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Ken Auer**, President & CEO
- **Gary Matteson**, VP Young, Beginning, Small

Farmer Programs and Outreach

- **Mike Mason**, Director of Communications

**TOPICS:**

- Legislative priorities for the Farm Credit System
- How Farm Credit serves young, beginning and small farmers and ranchers

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**ORGANIZATION: The Fertilizer Institute**

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**TOPICS:**

- Water quality
- EPA regulations
- Spring fertilizer supply and demand

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**ORGANIZATION: U.S. Farmers & Ranchers Alliance**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Don Lipton**, Member, Communications Advisory Committee

**TOPICS:**

- Goals and objectives of USFRA
- Who are USFRA affiliates and how can farmer or rancher organizations become an affiliate?
- Role of Communications Advisory Committee

- Development of Strategic Communications Plan

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**ORGANIZATION: U.S. Grains Council**

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**TOPICS:**

- Increasing international market demand for U.S. coarse grains and co-products
- The ability of the U.S. to meet global demand
- Development and growth of international markets, particularly China and India

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**TOPICS:**

- Budget
- Trade agreements
- Environmental regulations
- U.S. and global wheat market update

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**ORGANIZATION: United Soybean Board/Soybean Checkoff**

**SPOKESPERSON(S):**

- **Marc Curtis**, USB Chairman

**TOPICS:**

- Why U.S. soybean farmers need to know their major customers beyond the local elevator or soy processor
- Completing transition of soybean checkoff's international marketing program to new operating model
- Conducting an organizational assessment of USB to keep meeting the research and promotion needs of all U.S. soybean farmers
- The new, enhanced-trait U.S. soybean variety, which can help maintain and expand the biggest market for U.S. soybean oil

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