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## **Progressive Agriculture Foundation Names Interim CEO**

**Birmingham, Ala. (January 17, 2018) –** The Progressive Agriculture Foundation is pleased to announce the hiring of Brian Kuhl to the position of Interim Chief Executive Officer of the Progressive Agriculture Foundation, effective immediately.

After more than 20 years with the foundation, Susan Reynolds-Porter has elected to retire from her role as Chief Executive Officer and will support Kuhl as a special projects manager through March 2018.

Kuhl offers more than two decades of diverse business experience, including working with some of the nation's largest agriculture cooperatives. In his 18 years with CHS Inc., Kuhl led the development of an executive training program for young leaders in conjunction with the University of Minnesota Carlson School of Business and oversaw operations of the CHS Inc. corporate campus.

In addition, Kuhl served on the Progressive Agriculture Foundation Board of Directors for six years, including three years as Board President. He coordinated numerous Progressive Agriculture Safety Days and was instrumental in establishing the program in six new communities in the Upper Midwest.

Kuhl holds a bachelor's degree in agriculture business and marketing communications from the University of Wisconsin – River Falls as well as an MBA from the University of Phoenix. He currently lives in Hudson, Wisconsin, with his wife, Kelly, and their two young children.

"The foundation appreciates the leadership both Susan and Brian have provided over the years," says Katie Schroeder, president, board of directors, Progressive Agriculture Foundation. "We look forward to continuing the foundation's mission of providing the education, training and resources to make farm, ranch and rural life safer and healthier for children and their communities for many years to come." For more information about the Progressive Agriculture Foundation and Safety Day program, visit <u>progressiveag.org</u>.

## ABOUT PROGRESSIVE AGRICULTURE FOUNDATION

The Progressive Agriculture Safety Day program, the largest rural safety and health education program for children in North America, is a program of the Progressive Agriculture Foundation (PAF), a 501(c)(3) charitable foundation. The foundation's mission is to provide education, training and resources to make farm, ranch and rural life safer and healthier for children and their communities. In 2008, PAF was awarded the Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance National Charity Seal, demonstrating its commitment to accountability and ethical practices. Safety Day applications are due each July 15 for Safety Days that will be conducted the following calendar year. For more information, please visit <a href="http://www.progressiveag.org">http://www.progressiveag.org</a>.

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