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UNITED POTATO GROWERS OF IDAHO ANNOUNCES RESIGNATION OF CEO WRIGHT

Idaho Falls, Idaho, November 5, 2009—United Potato Growers of Idaho (UPGI) announced today the resignation of Jerry Wright, CEO and President, effective immediately, to pursue other opportunities. Interim operations will be handled by the UPGI COO. No additional staffing changes will be made at this time.

“United Potato Growers of Idaho appreciates Mr. Wright’s efforts on behalf of the organization,” said Carl Taylor, UPGI Board Chairman. “We wish him all the best in his future endeavors.” Mr. Wright was named CEO and President of UPGI in 2005. Prior to joining UPGI, Wright most recently worked at the Idaho National Laboratory and NorSun Foods.

About United Potato Growers of Idaho

United Potato Growers of Idaho is a member co-op of the United Potato Growers of America, which was formed in March 2005 by growers to balance supply to demand. The mission is to reverse years of declining and unprofitable prices for growers, which has caused many independent growers to go out of business. UPGA is a federated cooperative currently with eight member co-op chapters. UPGA was created under the protection of the Capper-Volstead Act that was enacted in 1922 by Congress to allow growers to work collectively to market their products.

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