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Women of Influence

Dear Reader:

I would like to support the nomination of Kristi Krafka a Woman of Influence. I have known Kristi for the past 14 years as a colleague at work. She works in an industry that has not always readily accepted the contributions of women in a regulatory role. However, Kristi has persevered so that she is now recognized nationally as a leader in the area of feed ingredient regulatory approval and compliance.

During that time her sphere of influence as an outstanding regulatory person in the field of agricultural feed ingredients has surpassed her peers. She has been recognized in the industry and by regulatory agencies nationally as an expert in feed ingredient and feed ingredient approvals. Her influence reaches beyond the borders of the United States since she has successfully interacted with regulators in Canada and Mexico.

She has accomplished all of this while being active in her school community of Ballard Huxley, organized a new FFA chapter for the Ballard Huxley school district, and has helped her children participate in FFA projects with great success.

Kristi has been tireless in her efforts to translate her work ethic into everything she does. Raised on a farm near Dysart, Iowa, she has always believed that a solid education, passion for her work and family and belief that values learned in raising and caring for animals will translate well for a productive work and family life, she lives this ethic every day.

I am proud to call her a colleague and I believe that she embodies the traits of a Woman of Influence.

Sincerely

Elizabeth A. Nelson