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Farm Journal Foundation Expands Management Team

Mexico, Mo. (September 13, 2013)—Charlene Finck, president of the Farm Journal Foundation, announced today that Margie Alsbrook has joined the Foundation as director of operations. Alsbrook, who has an extensive non-profit background, holds a master's in food and agricultural law, was the founding editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Food Law & Policy* and is a former business reporter.

"Margie's unique combination of experience is perfect for our organization and our Farmers Feeding the World initiative," said Finck. "From the moment she joined our team, she contributed to the success of our programs. We expect that to expand exponentially going forward, which will also extend the impact of our organization."

"The Foundation is an exciting new endeavor from an organization with deep roots," Alsbrook said. "The Farm Journal Foundation is only three years old, but has already established significant credibility in the hunger space and makes a deeper impact every year."

"Margie has an ability to see complex issues from a wide variety of perspectives," said Lesly Weber McNitt, director of government relations and program development. "Because of her breadth of knowledge, she can often articulate complicated concepts in an accessible manner."

When she is not working on hunger issues, Alsbrook enjoys writing and researching about food and agricultural policy. She currently has a book contract with Springer Publishing on global agriculture and economics, and her work has appeared in the *Drake Journal of Agricultural Law* and the *Journal of Food Law and Policy*.

Alsbrook's primary hobby is volunteering, and she has a long history of public service. In 2011, Alsbrook was appointed by Arkansas Governor Mike Beebe to collaboratively govern the third largest county in Arkansas. After completing her term as justice of the peace, she was selected for the Arkansas Bar Association's 2013 Leadership Academy.

Alsbrook is also a member of the Hendrix College Alumni Board of Governors and the Board of Directors for the Arkansas Law Review and Bar Association Journal, Inc. She serves on the Uniform Laws Committee and the Continuing Legal Education Committee of the Arkansas Bar, is an advisory committee member for the Endeavor Foundation's EnergizeNWA initiative, is a past board member for CASA of Northwest Arkansas, a sustaining member of the Junior League of Northwest Arkansas, and has been the recipient of both the U.S. President's Volunteer Service Award and the Fayetteville School District's award for Volunteer of the Year.

About the Farm Journal Foundation

The Farm Journal Foundation is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to sustaining U.S. agriculture's ability to serve the vital needs of a growing world population with education and assistance focused on the unique interests of people and organizations aligned with U.S. agriculture. The Foundation houses Farm Journal Media's myriad advocacy initiatives such as the Farmers Feeding the World campaign and elements of the Farm Journal Legacy Project. For more information, please visit www.FarmersFeedingTheWorld.org.