## **Changes to the CAPI Board and Advisory Committee**

OTTAWA, June 19, 2013 — The Canadian Agri-Food Policy Institute (CAPI) is pleased to announce changes to its Board of Directors and Advisory Committee.

After serving as a Director for four years, Art Froehlich has completed his term on the Board of Directors, effective June 2013.

"On behalf of the Board, I express my sincere appreciation to Art for his years of service to CAPI and continuously bringing forward an entrepreneurial perspective, with an export-oriented and western-Canadian view," notes Ted Bilyea, Chair. "Among other contributions to CAPI, Art co-chaired the Leadership Panel on Sustainability, one of the three Leadership Panels that helped CAPI formulate the thinking for its pivotal Destination Report in 2011," adds Mr. Bilyea.

CAPI is also pleased to announce the following appointments to its Advisory Committee.

Derek Tallon, a producer from southern Saskatchewan, joined the Advisory Committee in the last fiscal year.

Joining the Advisory Committee at this time are Vincent Cloutier, Manager, Agricultural Business, La Coop fédérée de Québec; Murray McLaughlin, Executive Director of the Bioindustrial Innovation Centre (Ontario); Grant Pierce, Executive Director, Research, National Centre for Agri-Food Research and Medicine, St. Boniface Hospital Research Centre, Winnipeg; and Howard Wheater, Director, Global Institute for Water Security, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon.

After serving the Advisory Committee for several years, John Oliver, President of Maple Leaf Bio-Concepts, and Harvey Anderson, Professor, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto, have rotated off the Committee.

"We appreciate the guidance and enthusiasm provided by both John and Harvey. Their thinking around food, health and sustainability has helped us to shape many core ideas we have embraced," notes Ted Bilyea. "We also welcome our new Advisory Committee members and look forward to getting their views on these and other important food matters so that we can continue to seed the dialogue about achieving success across the food system."

## **About CAPI**

The Canadian Agri-Food Policy Institute (CAPI) is an independent, unbiased policy forum that is dedicated to the success of Canada's agriculture and agri-food sector. CAPI is a catalyst. It identifies emerging issues, promotes dialogue and advances alternative solutions to issues with stakeholders across diverse agri-food supply chains and among other food stakeholders. Based in Ottawa, CAPI was established as a not-for-profit corporation in 2004 by the federal government and is guided by a diverse Board of Directors and an Advisory Committee.

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