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**National Sorghum Producers Congratulates New Ag Secretary**

The National Sorghum Producers congratulates former Iowa Governor Tom Vilsack on his nomination today as President-elect Obama's Secretary of Agriculture. The cabinet appointment represents the President-elect's commitment to production agriculture, renewable energy and rural development.

"We are looking forward to working with Governor Vilsack as he assumes the top role at USDA next month," said Toby Bostwick, NSP Chairman of the Board from Melrose, New Mexico. "Governor Vilsack has shown a strong track record of supporting production agriculture and alternative energy policy. His commitment to rural development will also be positive for U.S. sorghum growers."

Governor Vilsack spent eight years as Governor of Iowa, an agriculturally intensive state. He launched an early bid for Democratic presidential nomination but removed himself from the race shortly after President-elect Obama entered the arena.

"Governor Vilsack is a bright addition to the Obama camp and NSP looks forward to working with him on behalf of U.S. sorghum producers," said Bostwick.

NSP represents U.S. sorghum producers. The organization works to ensure the profitability of sorghum production coast to coast through legislative representation, regulatory representation, and education. To learn more about NSP, visit [www.sorghumgrowers.com](http://www.sorghumgrowers.com).