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Hagie Mfg. honors 88 Iowa Farm Environmental Leader Award Recipients

Clarion, Iowa – Over 88 Iowa farm families, named Iowa Farm Environmental Leader award recipients, were honored at a special Recognition Luncheon hosted by Hagie Manufacturing at the Iowa State Fair on Wednesday, August 13. Special guest speakers at the Recognition Luncheon included Governor Terry Branstad, Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northey, Iowa Department of Natural Resources Director Chuck Gipp, and Alan Hagie, President & CEO of Hagie Manufacturing. The featured keynote speaker of the event was Iowa farmer, Tim Recker, whom has served as State President for the Iowa Land Improvement Contractors Association and a past president of the Iowa Corn Growers Association.



Pictured at Hagie Manufacturing's Iowa Farm Environmental Leader Recognition Luncheon on August 13 at the Iowa State Fair is Bill Northey, Iowa Secretary of Agriculture; Alan Hagie, President & CEO of Hagie Mfg.; Tim Recker, Iowa Farmer and Past President of the Iowa Land Improvement Contractors Association and Iowa Corn Growers Association

In 2014, The Iowa Land Improvement Contractors Association was the first association to be named a recipient of the Iowa Farm Environmental Leader award. "Over the years, growers have become experts in above the soil technologies in effort to achieve optimal yields," stated Tim Recker. "Now is the time for education and implementation of best practices below the soil to achieve maximum farm productivity," added Recker.

"I have a huge passion for farming and can't imagine trying to provide agricultural innovative solutions without having a strong connection to the farm," stated Alan Hagie. "Our purpose in creating innovative

solutions is to help our customers grow and boost their profitability, while also enabling them to be better stewards of the land,” added Hagie.

The Iowa Farm Environmental Leader award is a joint effort between the Governor, Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, and Iowa Department of Natural Resources to recognize the efforts of Iowa’s farmers as environmental leaders committed to healthy soils and improved water quality. It seeks to recognize the exemplary voluntary actions of farmers that improve or protect the environment and natural resources of our state while also encouraging other farmers to follow in their footsteps by building success upon success.

In its third year for the program, Governor Branstad, Bill Northey and Chuck Gipp presented the Iowa Farm Environmental Leader Awards to the 88 Iowa farm families during a ceremony that took place prior to the Recognition Luncheon. All winners were chosen by a selection group representing both conservation and agricultural groups. To date, over 200 awards have been presented to Iowa farm families that are leading the way in proactive implementation of environmental stewardship.

Hagie Manufacturing Company, located in Clarion, IA, optimizes our customers’ growth by providing the most innovative crop protection solutions in the agriculture industry. After introducing the world’s first self-propelled sprayer in 1947, Hagie Manufacturing Company has continued to be a pioneer in the industry with innovations such as front-mounted booms, hydrostatic drives and hydraulically-adjustable booms. A foundation with values built around employees, customers and innovation inspires sustained growth and success. Hagie Manufacturing is committed to providing state-of-the-art crop protection solutions while delivering a superior customer experience, yet continuing to build on family owned traditions and values.