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Tyson Foods Teams with World Resources Institute on Industry Leading Environmental Goals for its Supply Chain

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Move follows healthier workplace, no antibiotics ever announcements; coincides with new sustainability report release

SPRINGDALE, Ark., May 22, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- As part of its deeper commitment to sustainable food production, Tyson Foods, Inc. (NYSE:TSN) today announced a collaboration with the World Resources Institute (WRI) to develop industry leading, science-based greenhouse gas (GHG) and outcome-based water conservation targets for its operations and the company's supply chain.

The agreement with WRI follows recent announcements about Tyson Foods' **commitment to a healthier workplace** and the decision to move to **no antibiotics ever** in its Tyson® branded retail line of chicken, making the company the world's leading provider of chicken raised without antibiotics.

"Sustainability is about thriving today and doing the right thing to thrive tomorrow," said Justin Whitmore, who was **recently hired** as the company's first chief sustainability officer. "We're collaborating with WRI on aggressive and attainable goals rooted in science. These will give us the opportunity to reduce our environmental impact over time so we can benefit now, and other generations will benefit in the future."

"WRI is committed to working with companies focused on addressing today's most pressing issues, from climate change to water risk," said JP Leous, senior manager of corporate relations for WRI. "Setting targets based on science and leveraging WRI's tools, such as the **Aqueduct Water Risk Atlas**, enables business growth that supports thriving communities and healthy ecosystems upon which we all rely."

Tyson Foods currently measures and reports greenhouse gas emissions from sources it controls as well as indirect emissions from the energy it buys. Environmental targets designed with WRI will eventually involve collaborating with the company's entire supply chain, including material and ingredient suppliers, and the farmers who raise and

supply Tyson with chicken, turkey, cattle and pigs.

“Tyson is focused on delivering sustainable food at scale,” Whitmore said. “Only by a comprehensive, holistic approach to sustainability can we make long-lasting positive change, for our company, our consumers and customers, our team members and our planet.”

2016 Sustainability Report

The company today also announced the release of its fiscal 2016 Sustainability Report, which is focused on five key areas: Healthier Animals, Healthier Communities, Healthier Environment, Healthier Food and Healthier Workplace. “Workplace” includes nearly 114,000 team members who work for the company, and “Communities” are comprised of team members’ family, friends and neighbors in more than 100 cities and towns where it operates in the U.S. This is the eighth sustainability report published by the company.

Tyson’s entire 2016 Sustainability Report is **available for viewing online**. Highlights include:

Healthier Animals - Of the broiler chicks placed by Tyson Foods during fiscal 2016 in its entire supply chain, only 1.6 percent were treated on farms by veterinarians with antibiotics that are also used in human medicine.

Healthier Communities - In 2016, Tyson made more than \$12.5 million in cash and in-kind donations and provided more than 8.2 million pounds of food for hunger and disaster relief, and it **recently gifted** \$340,000 to One Egg’s mission to create an economically sustainable egg farm in Haiti, providing eggs as a protein source to undernourished children.

Healthier Environment - In addition to the partnership with WRI, Tyson Foods has supported efforts by The Nature Conservancy’s Arkansas Chapter including a grant and volunteer support to help the chapter complete a significant stream bank restoration in the Oxbow section of the Kings River, monitor sediment reduction, and survey a tributary and plan its restoration. The support also includes projects on the Elk River and enrolling conservation easements in Arkansas’ Buffalo National River watershed.

Healthier Food - More than 280 of Tyson Foods’ products meet specific school nutrition regulations for fat, sodium, and calorie content, while 31 products meet USDA’s “Smart Snacks in Schools” regulations and 122 products carry the Whole Grain Stamp from the Whole Grain Council.

Healthier Workplace - Tyson continues to strive for a goal of zero worker injuries and illnesses. In its fiscal year 2016, the company reduced its overall OSHA Recordable Incident Rate by 19.4 percent, ahead of its year-over-year goal of a 15 percent reduction.

By investing in sustainability, Tyson expects to create a beneficial cycle of contributing to the future, while paying for itself in the present. Investments in sustainability are expected to fund themselves through reduced waste and costs.

About Tyson Foods

Tyson Foods, Inc. (NYSE:TSN), with headquarters in Springdale, Arkansas, is one of the world's largest food companies with leading brands such as Tyson®, Jimmy Dean®, Hillshire Farm®, Sara Lee®, Ball Park®, Wright®, Aidells® and State Fair®. It's a recognized market leader in chicken, beef and pork as well as prepared foods, including bacon, breakfast sausage, turkey, lunchmeat, hot dogs, pizza crusts and toppings, tortillas and desserts. The company supplies retail and foodservice customers throughout the United States and approximately 115 countries. Tyson Foods was founded in 1935 by John W. Tyson, whose family has continued to lead the business with his son, Don Tyson, guiding the company for many years and grandson, John H. Tyson, serving as the current chairman of the board of directors. The company currently has approximately 114,000 Team Members employed at more than 400 facilities and offices in the United States and around the world. Through its Core Values, Code of Conduct and Team Member Bill of Rights, Tyson Foods strives to operate with integrity and trust and is committed to creating value for its shareholders, customers and Team Members. The company also strives to be faith-friendly, provide a safe work environment and serve as stewards of the animals, land and environment entrusted to it

About WRI

World Resources Institute (WRI) is a global research organization that spans **more than 60 countries**, with offices in **Brazil, China, Europe, India, Indonesia, Mexico**, and the **United States**. Our more than 700 **experts and staff** turn big ideas into action at the nexus of environment, economic opportunity and human well-being.

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