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Soy Transportation Coalition elects officers for 2012

Ankeny, Iowa— The Soy Transportation Coalition (STC) announced its newly elected officers at its December board meeting.

Ed Ulch of Solon, Iowa, was reelected Chairman. Ulch is currently Vice Chair of the National Biodiesel Board and serves on the Iowa Soybean Association Board of Directors. He has held offices on the Agribusiness Association of Iowa.

"I am pleased to continue serving as Chairman of the Soy Transportation Coalition," Ulch explains. "The STC is an innovative organization that is making a difference on a number of our most challenging transportation problems. I look forward to working on behalf of my fellow soybean farmers on these important issues throughout this upcoming year."

Patrick Knouff of Minster, Ohio, was reelected Vice Chairman. Knouff raises corn and soybeans, as well as a herd of heifers on his farm in Shelby County with his wife Jennifer and their three children. He is a member of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation as well as Secretary for the Ohio Soybean Council Board of Directors.

"I appreciate my fellow board members allowing me to continue serving as Vice Chairman for another year," Knouff says. "Whether roads and bridges, rail infrastructure, inland waterways or our nation's ports, farmers increasingly recognize that transportation plays a major impact on our bottom line. The Soy Transportation Coalition has been successful in educating farmers and other stakeholders of this critical issue as well as exploring solutions to many of these infrastructure challenges. I look forward to continuing to be involved in this important initiative."

Jerry Wyse of Haven, Kansas, was reelected Secretary-Treasurer. Wyse has been a member of the Kansas Soybean Commission and was chairman for the North Central Soybean Research Program.

"Serving on the Soy Transportation Coalition board has been an enjoyable and rewarding experience," Wyse explains. "We have a full agenda this upcoming year. I appreciate the opportunity to continue promoting a transportation system that serves the needs of modern day agriculture."

To learn more about the STC, visit its Web site at www.soytransportation.org.

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Established in 2007, the Soy Transportation Coalition is comprised of eleven state soybean boards, the American Soybean Association, and the United Soybean Board. The goal of the organization is to position the soybean industry to benefit from a transportation system that delivers cost effective, reliable, and competitive service.