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Open Letter to the Livestock Industry:

As many of you are aware, we are making internal changes at the North American International Livestock Exposition. I want to assure you that the Kentucky State Fair Board fully supports NAILE and is committed to insuring continuity for the world's largest purebred livestock exposition.

In addition, our partners - the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, and Kentucky Farm Bureau - are fully committed to moving forward with us.

NAILE is owned by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and produced by the KSFB, and since its inception four decades ago, its home will continue to be at the Kentucky Exposition Center. The show has grown in prestige throughout the years and it will continue to serve as the standard bearer for the purebred livestock industry.

We look forward to seeing you November 7 - 20. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at rrippetoe@ksfb.ky.gov or on my cell phone at 502-759-4327, or Jeff Zinner, NAILE Assistant Manager at jzinner@ksfb.ky.gov or 502-367-5293.

Sincerely,

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President and CEO