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Allen Summers Announces Retirement

Owensboro, Kentucky -- After 30 years as the President of Asmark, Allen Summers will retire at the end of 2018. His career in agriculture spans more than 44 years as a farmer, distributor, retailer and founder of the Asmark Institute. Widely recognized for their vision, work ethic and generous contribution to the agricultural industry, Allen and his wife Susan recount their time at Asmark as being a whirlwind of truly amazing opportunities. Always up to the task, the creative couple loved building solutions for people - many of which were pioneered specifically for the ag industry. "Working at Asmark has been a privilege. We worked with the best of the best, and with the full cooperation and support of our clients and affiliates, created solutions that filled needs. A hands-on approach to succession planning has resulted in knowing that we are leaving the organization in great hands," said Allen. Amber M. Duke will take his place as the President/CEO while Megan Hill, Manager of Data & Processes will replace Susan. Rounding out the management team are Brian Mason, Manager of Accounting & Finances and Eric Rasor, Manager of Website Technology.

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About the Asmark Institute

Asmark Institute, Inc. is a national resource center serving the retail agricultural industry, consisting of retail agribusinesses, state and national trade associations, educational institutions and government agencies. The Institute provides compliance materials and services, develops common sense solutions to new regulatory requirements, assists the government in its mission of protecting life, property and the environment, monitors enforcement activity for uniformity, supports industry efforts to arrive at fair and reasonable regulation and provides a wealth of unique resources to give wings to the ideas designed to help lift an industry. The Institute is a private, not-for-profit organization that provides a forum for organizations to effectively collaborate on issues for the benefit of the retail agricultural industry.

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