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### SPECIAL MEETING NOTICES

REYNOLDSBURG, Ohio (March 24, 2009) – The **Equine Task Force Advisory Council** will meet Friday, March 27, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Bromfield Administration Building, Seminar Room B, 8995 E. Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss strategies for promoting and strengthening Ohio's equine industry.

The **Ohio Grape Industries Public Relations Subcommittee** will meet Wednesday, April 8, 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Bromfield Administration Building, Room 323, 8995 E. Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio. The purpose of the meeting is to determine recommendations for Ohio's grape and wine industry strategic marketing plan for fiscal years 2010 through 2011.

The **Ohio Food Policy Council** will hold a listening session in Northwest Ohio on Thursday, April 9, 2009, from 10 a.m. – noon at the Center for Innovative Food Technology, 5555 Airport Highway, Suite 100, Toledo, Ohio. The purpose of the meeting is to learn about the council and share ideas for creating a more sustainable food system in the state.

The **Milk Sanitation Board** will meet Thursday, April 9, 2009, from 10 a.m. – noon at the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Bromfield Administration Building, Seminar Room A, 8995 E. Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Manufactured Rule changes and contract lab as well as producer and processor updates.

The Ohio Food Policy Council's **Food Assessment Task Force** will meet Tuesday, April 21, 2009, from 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. at the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Bromfield Administration Building, Room 308, 8995 E. Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio. The purpose of the meeting is to collect and analyze information on food production and processing as well as patterns of food consumption in Ohio.

The **Ohio Food Policy Council** will meet on Monday, May 4, 2009, from 1 – 4:30 p.m. at the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Bromfield Administration Building, Auditorium A, 8995 E. Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio. The purpose of the meeting is to carry out an ongoing public/private collaboration to capitalize on the state's potential for increasing the percentage of food grown, processed and consumed in Ohio. The council will also discuss ways to help assure all Ohioans have access to fresh and healthy foods, increasing the economic, environmental and health benefits to the state.

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