



**Remarks by Patricia A. Woertz, Chairman and CEO
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Thank you, Kelvin [Westbrook, President and CEO of KRW Advisors, LLC], for that kind introduction.

And thank you to the Foreign Policy Association for this tremendous honor, which I'm proud to accept on behalf of my 27,000 ADM colleagues around the world.

It is their commitment and compassion, and their determination to create positive change in our world that you are recognizing tonight. I am extremely proud of the work they've done to earn this distinction.

Because ADM serves vital human needs for food, energy and a better environment, our work is intimately tied to our social responsibility. We connect the global harvest to the home, and so our capital investment and our social investments are aimed at enhancing our ability — and the ability of agriculture in general — to meet these vital, growing needs.

Our values call us to earn the right results, the right way. And while, in these tough times, we may see markets and opportunities change, our values remain constant. Indeed, it is tough times like these that put our values to the test.

Which is why I'm gratified to say that two weeks ago, at forum on corporate responsibility where I shared the stage with former President Clinton and my good friend Muthar Kent, I reaffirmed ADM's commitment to targeting one percent of pretax earnings to programs that promote sustainable agricultural practices, stronger communities and stronger bonds with our colleagues.

Our new program – called ADM Cares – aims to advance the kind of social, economic and environmental progress that you saw in our video.

At a time when customers, consumers, policymakers and investors are all concerned about the sustainability of our economic model, our environment and the values system that guides business behaviors, we in the corporate sector have before us an unprecedented opportunity to

marshal our human and financial resources to make this world — our world — a safer, healthier and better place. And ultimately, our success – all of us – will be defined by this legacy we leave.

Once again, I want to thank you all for this wonderful recognition and for taking time to be here tonight. We are honored by the distinction, and inspired to continue our work for a better world.