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Premier Companies Formed With Completed Merger
Premier, White River Join Forces as Leading S. Ind Cooperative

SEYMOUR, IN – SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 – Two leading Southern Indiana cooperatives have joined forces to be the premier leader of agricultural and energy services. As of September 1, 2021, the merger between White River Cooperative Inc. and Premier Ag Co-Op Inc. is official. The company is proud to now be known as Premier Companies. Premier Ag was formed in 1927 by a group of farmers who saw the need to leverage product availability at a competitive rate and what started with these local farmers has grown to over 3,000 members and a cooperative with multiple divisions open to the public.

“This merger of cooperatives who shared similar cultures and unique understanding of agriculture and energy markets will enable us to offer ever-growing expertise and offerings to our customers,” said Harold Cooper, Chief Executive Officer, Premier Companies. “Today, going forward as Premier Companies, we are proud to remain locally owned by our neighbors here in Southern Indiana and we will return earnings locally to our member-owners.”

The cooperative will organize in several divisions:

- **Premier Ag:** The company offers integrated agronomic and agricultural services, including Truterra, the only farmer-owned, farmer-driven food and ag sustainability program in the U.S. Over 1,900 farmers put their trust in the Truterra network to help them advance and accelerate stewardship on 29,000 fields. Through SwineLink, the cooperative provides comprehensive management to family-owned pork facilities, enabling family farms to efficiently operate their farms in a healthy and environmentally sound manner. Grain marketing services will also be provided, enabling the cooperative to purchase grain from customers.
- **Premier Energy:** Thousands of customers stay on the move with quality fuel as well as warm and safe with propane thanks to Premier Energy. With a focus on customer success and a commitment to providing superior service, vehicles from fleets to school buses are in motion with the highest quality fuel available proudly sourced from CountryMark Fuel. Through its propane business the company also provides heating solutions for homes, businesses as well as agricultural structures.

About Premier Companies

Premier Companies headquartered in Seymour, Indiana, is a farmer-owned cooperative founded in 1927 that provides supplies and services in the agricultural and energy sectors. Serving Southern Eastern Indiana, Southwest Ohio and Central Kentucky,

Premier prides itself on meeting the needs of farmers, homeowners, municipalities, fleets, commercial accounts, and fuel station partners. Learn more at our website: www.premierag.com

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