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## **USDA** Announces Newest Members of the American Egg Board

**JACKSON, Miss.** – Recently, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced the appointment of 11 new members to serve on the American Egg Board, including Jessica Hanslik of Cal-Maine Foods, Inc., located in Ridgeland, Miss. The American Egg Board's goal is to maintain and expand domestic and foreign markets and uses for eggs and egg products.

According to USDA, the American Egg Board is composed of 18 members and 18 alternates representing three areas and is authorized by the Egg Research and Consumer Information Act of 1974. Eighteen members and alternates will serve two-year terms, and two members will serve a one-year term, beginning March 2025.

Jessica Hanslik is the director of Western Sales and National Accounts at Cal-Maine Foods, Inc. She earned her MBA from West Texas A&M University and joined Cal-Maine Foods in 2008 after obtaining her poultry science degree from Texas A&M University. She also serves on the Texas Farm Bureau Poultry Advisory Committee, is a member of the Texas Poultry Federation, and previously served on the Lavaca County Farm Bureau Board. Hanslik and her husband, Matt, currently reside on their farm and ranch in Hallettsville, Texas, with their two children.

The Mississippi Egg Marketing Board (MEMB) works to promote and expand the market for Mississippi produced eggs. Every year, the MEMB and the American Egg Board combine efforts to educate communities on the versatility and cost-effective nutrition source that eggs provide. For more information about the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board, contact Jennifer Thompson at <a href="mailto:msegg@mdac.ms.gov">msegg@mdac.ms.gov</a>.