November 17, 2026

The Honorable John Boozman
Chairman
Senate Agriculture, Nutrition,
and Forestry Committee
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar
Ranking Member
Senate Agriculture, Nutrition,
and Forestry Committee
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Dear Chairman Boozman and Ranking Member Klobuchar:

On behalf of our nation's agricultural industry stakeholders, the undersigned organizations write to urge the swift confirmation of Nathan Anonick and Matthew Rowland to serve as Commissioners of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC). Our members rely on well-functioning agriculture and energy derivative markets – both exchange-traded futures and options, and over-the-counter products – to hedge the commercial risks inherent to agricultural production, processing, and marketing.

Farmers, ranchers, cooperatives, grain elevators, processors, and other commercial end users depend on a CFTC that is fully staffed and bipartisan. Congress structured the Commission as a five-member, bipartisan body so that the rules governing these markets reflect a range of perspectives and endure beyond any single administration. Rules developed through a full Commission, with input from both sides of the aisle, are more durable and give commercial hedgers the regulatory certainty they need to plan across multiple production cycles. A robust Commission also has the capacity to protect the integrity of the agricultural futures markets that underpin price discovery, while addressing emerging products and technologies. It also would help ensure the perspectives of agricultural end users are represented at the decision-making table.

We believe Mr. Rowland and Mr. Anonick, if confirmed, will strengthen the Commission's ability to carry out its mission on behalf of the markets our members rely on to manage their commercial risks. We respectfully urge the Committee to advance their nominations as soon as is practical to ensure a fully functional Commission moving forward.

We appreciate your continued leadership in the support of U.S. production agriculture and agribusiness.

Sincerely,

Amcot
American Cotton Shippers Association
American Farm Bureau Federation
Commodity Markets Council
National Cotton Council
National Council of Farmer Cooperatives
National Grain and Feed Association
National Sorghum Producers

North American Millers' Association
USA Rice

CC: Majority Leader John Thune
Minority Leader Chuck Schumer
Members of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry