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### **NCI Technical Director Elected to Two Posts**

Fargo, N.D., USA -- Brian Sorenson was elected Chair of the Wheat Quality Council (WQC) at its annual meeting in February. Sorenson is Technical Director at Northern Crops Institute (NCI), Fargo, N.D., USA.

The WQC is an industry-wide organization that brings together all wheat industry participants from breeders and producers to millers, processors and bakers.

Sorenson was also named an alternate member of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection Advisory Committee.

The committee is comprised of 15 members and 15 alternate members, appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture, who represent all facets of the grain industry. The Committee meets twice annually to advise USDA on the establishment of programs and services under the U.S. Grain Standards Act.

Sorenson joined the Northern Crops Institute as Technical Director in 2001. He received his M.S. in cereal chemistry from North Dakota State University, and his B.S. in chemistry from Mayville State University.

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