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N.G.A. Appoints Two New Retailers to the N.G.A. Board of Directors

Arlington, VA – At the National Grocers Association (N.G.A.) Board of Director's Meeting on June 12, 2007 in Washington, DC, the retailer selection committee Chairman Richard Niemann, Jr. nominated on behalf of the committee Roger Collins, President and CEO of Harps Food Stores Inc. and Trygve "Trig" A. Solberg, Chairman of Trig's Supermarkets.

Roger Collins is President, CEO and Chairman of Harps Food Stores, Inc. of Springdack, AR, the largest employee-owned company headquartered in Arkansas. Mr. Collins started with Harps in 1986 as the Vice President of Finance and CFO. He was promoted to Executive Vice President in 1995 and President and CEO in 2000. He serves on the Board of Directors of Associated Wholesale Grocers in Kansas City, Kansas, and the Board of Directors of the National Cooperative Bank in Washington, D.C. He is a graduate of Rice University with a MBA from the University of Texas at Austin. He practiced for four years as a CPA working in public accounting in Dallas. Roger lives in Springdale with wife, Marilyn and has two daughters.

Trygve "Trig" A. Solberg, Chairman of Trig's Supermarkets in Minocqua, WI. Trig was born and raised in Marion, Wisconsin. He attended the University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh and graduated with a bachelor's degree in business administration. After serving in and being honorably discharged from the US Army Security Agency, he began a journey that would make him a fixture in the grocery business of Northern Wisconsin. He and his wife, Tula, opened their first supermarket in Land O' Lakes on October, 1971. Over the next 30-plus years, Trig and Tula shepherded their business through an extended period of steady growth. Trig's grocery stores opened in Minocqua, Eagle River, Rhinelander, and Wausau. The T.A. Solberg Company, Inc. was formed to encompass these stores, as well as Point County Market in Stevens Point, and several other non-grocery businesses, including Tula's Café, several fuel and convenience stores, Trig's Central Bakery and Trucking Facility, Trig's Recycle Center, and the Tasmania Northwoods resort. Trig currently holds the position of Chairman of the company. It now employs more than 1,000 people. Trig is a member and past Chairman of the Wisconsin Grocer's Association. His public service activities include working for the Wisconsin Natural Resource Board, Trees for Tomorrow, Calvary Lutheran Church, and the Northwoods United Way. An avid flyer, Trig is President of Lakeland Aviation, LLC, & Tasair, LLC. Trig, Tula and their daughter Gina have family residences on Tomahawk Lake in Woodruff and Desert Mountain in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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N.G.A. is the national trade association representing the retail and wholesale grocers that comprise the independent sector of the food distribution industry. An independent retailer is a privately owned or controlled food retail company operating a variety of formats. Most independent operators are serviced by wholesale distributors, while others may be partially or fully self-distributing. Some are publicly traded but with controlling shares held by the family and others are employee owned. Independents are the true "entrepreneurs" of the grocery industry and dedicated to their customers, associates, and communities. N.G.A. members include retail and wholesale grocers, state grocers associations, as well as manufacturers and service suppliers. For more information about N.G.A. and the independent sector of the industry, see the N.G.A. website: www.NationalGrocers.org.