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NMPF Statement on Senate Vote on GMO Legislation

From Jim Mulhern, President and Chief Executive Officer, NMPF:

ARLINGTON, VA – "Today's vote is a disappointment, but not a defeat for those of us seeking a strong, clear, national and rational standard for food labeling.

"Despite today's vote, we believe a bi-partisan federal policy is within reach, based on discussions with Senate offices in the last few days. We are committed to working to bridge differences and get a compromise agreement through the Senate.

"Passage of a coherent food label disclosure law by Congress is the only logical approach in order to avoid the chaotic mess that would arise from leaving this issue up to the whims of 50 different states."

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The National Milk Producers Federation (NMPF), based in Arlington, VA, develops and carries out policies that advance the well-being of dairy producers and the cooperatives they own. The members of NMPF's cooperatives produce the majority of the U.S. milk supply, making NMPF the voice of dairy producers on Capitol Hill and with government agencies. For more on NMPF's activities, visit our website at www.nmpf.org.