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FARM SAFETY SIGNS AND VIDEO SERIES AVAILABLE FOR DAIRY PRODUCERS THIS SPRING

These Farm Safety Tools and Resources Are Available to Dairy Producers at No Cost

Harrisburg, Pa. – In the midst of a busy spring on most dairy farms, the Center for Dairy Excellence and the Professional Dairy Managers of Pennsylvania (PDMP) have free sets of farm safety signs available to help producers display important safety reminders throughout their facilities. Six different signs are available in the set, with a new one included in the mix that focuses on biosecurity. English and Spanish are both included on the signs. The signs will be mailed to producers at no cost while supplies last.

“Farm safety is important all year long, but the spring is a good time to put some extra thought and focus into keeping your dairy farm team safe,” said Jayne Sebright, Executive Director at the Center for Dairy Excellence. “The safety signs can help you make sure you have the proper safety precautions and protocols in place on your dairy operation.”

In addition, a series of farm safety videos is available to help dairy producers share simple safety reminders with farm employees this spring and all year long. The “Seconds for Your Safety” videos, which are approximately 60 seconds in length, are available in both English and Spanish. They can be watched and shared easily on a computer or cell phone. A new video, titled “Staying Safe Around Gasses,” is now available.

The following videos are currently available in the series:

- Staying Safe Around Gasses
- Staying Safe Around Electrical Hazards
- Tractor and Truck Rollovers
- Fall Prevention Measures
- Youth on the Farm
- Safety Hazards and Precautions for Horizontal Silos

“The “Seconds for Your Safety” videos are being watched by myself and others on our farm. I think what is most useful on our farm are the facts in the videos which make us aware of the dangers of our occupation. Farmers need to become safer in everything that we do. Hopefully these videos will help us,” said Diane Hartman of Scattered Acres Farm.

To request safety signs to be mailed to you while supplies last, visit www.centerfordairyexcellence.org/farm-safety or call 717-346-0849.

To watch all the farm safety videos published in the series, visit www.centerfordairyexcellence.org/farm-safety. The videos are available in English and Spanish, and more videos will be released in the coming months. If you know a dairy producer without Internet access who might benefit from watching the videos or sharing them with farm employees, email Emily Barge at ebarge@centerfordairyexcellence.org or call 717-346-0849 to request access.

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Photo Caption: Katie Dotterer narrated all videos in the safety video series. Dotterer grew up on her family's dairy farm and shares her passion for agriculture with others at www.agvokate.com.

The Center for Dairy Excellence is a non-profit organization initiated by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture in 2004. Bringing together people from more than 40 different dairy organizations in Pennsylvania, the Center's mission is to enhance the profitability of the dairy industry by empowering people, creating partnerships, and increasing the availability and use of resources. Learn more at centerfordairyexcellence.org.