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COBANK COMMITS UP TO \$100,000 FOR OKLAHOMA TORNADO RELIEF

DENVER (May 28, 2013) — CoBank, a cooperative bank serving agribusinesses, rural infrastructure providers and Farm Credit associations throughout the United States, today announced that it has committed up to \$100,000 for tornado relief efforts in Oklahoma.

The bank is contributing \$25,000 to the American Red Cross, which has been providing food, relief supplies, health services and other forms of assistance to people and communities impacted by last week's tornadoes.

In addition, CoBank has created a \$75,000 matching fund available to customers of the bank. Any donation to a nonprofit organization involved in tornado relief will be matched by the bank on a dollar-for-dollar basis.

"Many of the businesses we serve across the state of Oklahoma have already joined in the humanitarian response to this disaster," said Bob Engel, CoBank's president and chief executive officer. "We're pleased to be taking part in the relief effort and look forward to partnering with customers and helping impacted communities."

CoBank provides loans and financial services to agricultural cooperatives and infrastructure providers that serve rural areas throughout Oklahoma. In addition, it serves as the wholesale funding bank for six Farm Credit associations that provide credit to farmers, ranchers and other rural borrowers across the state.

Customers interested in participating in the matching program can download the application [here](#) or contact their relationship manager. Though priority will be given to Oklahoma-based customers, any customer donating to Oklahoma tornado relief efforts is eligible to apply for the match. Those with questions about the program should contact Sherry Johnson, Corporate Communications Manager, at 303-740-6518 or sjohnson@cobank.com.

About CoBank

CoBank is a \$95 billion cooperative bank serving vital industries across rural America. The bank provides loans, leases, export financing and other financial services to agribusinesses and rural power, water and communications providers in all 50 states. The bank also provides wholesale loans and other financial services to affiliated Farm Credit associations serving farmers, ranchers and other rural borrowers in 23 states around the country.

CoBank is a member of the Farm Credit System, a nationwide network of banks and retail lending associations chartered to support the borrowing needs of U.S. agriculture and the nation's rural economy. Headquartered outside Denver, Colorado, CoBank serves customers from regional banking centers across the U.S. and also maintains an international representative office in Singapore.

For more information about CoBank, visit the bank's web site at www.cobank.com.

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