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CoBank Named One Of The World’s Safest Banks
By Global Finance Magazine

DENVER (September 19, 2017) - CoBank, a leading cooperative bank serving agribusinesses, rural infrastructure providers and Farm Credit associations throughout the United States, has been named to Global Finance magazine's list of the world's safest banks for 2017.

Global Finance, which covers the financial services industry, publishes its "World's 50 Safest Banks" list annually. Banks are ranked using a methodology that includes total assets and an evaluation of long-term ratings from major rating agencies. CoBank was first named to the list in 2011 and has been included every year since.

"CoBank's financial strength and stability is important to our customers and critical to our ability to fulfill our mission over the long term," said Tom Halverson, CoBank's president and chief executive officer. "We appreciate receiving this recognition, which reflects our membership in the Farm Credit System as well as the strong financial discipline we use in managing our business operations."

Further information is available at the Global Finance web site at www.gfmag.com/worlds-safest-banks-2017/.

About CoBank

CoBank is a $125 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 more than 70,000 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, rural infrastructure and rural communities. 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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