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Turfgrass Producers International (TPI) Appoints Claus Zander of Kettleby, Ontario as Vice President

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Turfgrass Producers International (TPI) announced the appointment of Claus Zander, President of Zander Sod Co. Limited, Kettleby, Ontario, Canada to the position of Vice President. The appointment took place during TPI's Annual Business meeting on July 29th at their Summer Convention and Field Days in East Lansing, Michigan on the campus of Michigan State University.

Zander Sod Co. Limited was founded by Claus' father, Fred Zander in 1957. Claus has been a member of TPI since 1990 and previously held the position of TPI representative for Ontario and Secretary-Treasurer. He has served on the TPI board since 2005.

In addition to overseeing over 2000 acres of turfgrass production in various locations throughout Ontario, Claus is also a member of the Nursery Sod Growers Association of Ontario, Ontario Association of Landscape Architects, Landscape Ontario, Canadian Golf Superintendent Association, Ontario Golf Superintendent Association and the National Golf Course Owners Association.

Claus has served as the President of Nursery Sod Growers Association of Ontario; he has also served on the Board of Directors at the Ontario Horse Trials Association and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce for Newmarket and King Township, Ontario.

Claus and his wife Anne operate an equestrian training facility and participate in competitive riding. They also enjoy snowmobiling, motorcycling and downhill skiing.

TPI has over 1,000 members in 45 countries comprised of turfgrass sod and seed producers, equipment manufacturers and suppliers, and various individuals involved in education and/or turf-related research.

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