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KANSAN APPOINTED TO U.S. ALTERNATIVE FUELS COUNCIL

Washington, D.C. -- Senator Bob Dole (R-Ks) announced today that Howard W. Hinton, Atchison, has been appointed to the U.S. Alternative Fuels Council. The appointment was made by the U.S. Department of Energy. The 20-member Council is a national advisory committee to the Energy Department and will assist in establishing a nationwide alternative fuels policy.

"In recommending Howard for this appointment, I felt he would be an excellent choice. We need individuals with strong credentials and resources to serve in this key role to formulate our national energy policy and priorities for alternative fuel use in transportation. His background in the fuel alcohol industry will bring intelligence and experience to the council. Kansas will be well represented. I congratulate Howard on this appointment," said Dole.

The U.S. Alternative Fuels Council was established under the Alternative Motor Fuels Act of 1988. Appointment to the council, a committee regarded within the industry as vital to the future of energy research and development, was highly competitive and includes 2 Senators and 2 Congressman. The Council will assist in establishing a national alternative fuels policy to be completed before September 30, 1992. It will also be working with the Interagency Commission on Alternative Motor Fuels to study a number of alternative fuels including methanol, ethanol, compressed natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas, electricity and reformulated gasoline.

Hinton has been with Midwest Grain Products, Inc., Atchison, since 1976. Having held various positions, he is currently Vice President of the Distillery Business Unit, involved in the marketing, sales and production planning for all operations within the distillery part of the company. He also initiated and implemented the Industrial Alcohol Sales Division for the Company. During Hinton's tenure as Manager of the Industrial and Fuel Alcohol Sales Division, from 1979 - 1983, Midwest Grain Products became the second major producer of fuel alcohol in the country.