**NAFTA MATTERS TO OILSEED PROCESSORS**

* NAFTA created significant market opportunities for U.S. exports of soybeans and soy products, and increased exports of meat and poultry products that use soy meal as feed.

* Mexico is our number one export market for both soybean meal and soy oil; it is our number two market for exports of soybeans.
* Soybean Meal exports to Mexico represents 19.6% of total soybean meal exports.
* Soybean Oil exports to Mexico represents 27% of total soybean oil exports.
* January – August of 2017: Soybean Meals exports to Mexico are down 31% in value and down 29% in quantity.
* January – August of 2017: Soybean Oil exports Mexico are down 2$ in value and up 4% in quantity.

* Canada ranks as our number three market for U.S. exports of soybean meal; it is our number ten market for soybean oil.

* In 2016, the U.S. exported $415 million and $2.49 billion of soy products to Canada and Mexico, respectively.

* NAFTA led to enormous U.S. soy export gains: increase in value of all U.S. soy and soy products exports to Canada and Mexico from 1993 to 2016: $2.19 Billion.

* NAFTA led to enormous U.S. meat product export gains: increase in value of all U.S. meat and poultry exports to Canada and Mexico from 1993 to 2016: $4.27 Billion.

* Withdraw from NAFTA would seriously undermine the benefits the U.S. soy sector gained over the past 23 years.

* These benefits would flow to our competitors in South America, as Mexico and Canada look to diversify their sources of soy products, as well as meat and poultry product.