



Dear Members and Affiliates,

Over the years, the food and beverage processing industry has undergone significant evolution and innovation, and FPSA members have been at the forefront of driving this transformation through groundbreaking technology, advanced systems, cutting-edge equipment, high-quality ingredients, and innovative materials.

The FPSA we know is a financially strong, relevant, and important resource for not only our members, but also the larger food and beverage production industry. FPSA has consistently provided invaluable support by facilitating meaningful connections, sharing market intelligence and economic insights, delivering comprehensive training programs, and much more, thereby enabling businesses to make smart and informed decisions.

A decade ago, FPSA primarily revolved around a biennial trade show. Today, however, we are a more unified and focused trade association, dedicated to generating substantive content and fostering meaningful engagement with end-users to enhance business success. To position ourselves as a home for ALL participants of the food industry— OEMs, processors, or other service providers, our name, and our brand, needs to reflect that intention and better define who we are today and who we will be in the future.

In line with our commitment to adapt and evolve, I am proud to announce a significant milestone in our journey. The Food Processing Suppliers Association is now the **Food Production Solutions Association (FPSA), accompanied by our new tagline - Leading Innovation in Food Production.**

This transformation reflects the association's expanded focus on and commitment to addressing the challenges and opportunities faced by food and beverage producers at every stage of the production process—from sourcing materials to workforce development, operations, process engineering, packaging, and distribution. It also reflects who FPSA members really are... ***companies that provide solutions for food production.***

We invite you to join us in embracing this pivotal moment in our organization's history. Your continued support is invaluable as we embark on this exciting journey as the Food Production Solutions Association.

## President's Message April 2024

In closing, I also want to inform you that as of today I am transitioning to serve as the Executive Director of our Food Industry Technician's (FIT) program, and am very pleased to **welcome [Matt Ott](#) as the Association's new President and CEO.**

Sincerely,

David Seckman

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