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Rutter's Chris Hartman appointed to the Pennsylvania Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Board

CAMP HILL, PA (March 31, 2019) – Chris Hartman, the Director of Fuels, Forecourt, and Advertising for Rutter's – a member of the Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association -- was recently appointed to the state's Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Board (USTIB) for the 2019-20 legislative session.

USTIB oversees the Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Fund (USTIF), which collects funds from tank owners to pay for long-term cleanups of leaking or abandoned storage tanks. The overall mission of the fund and the board is to provide for a cleaner commonwealth by administering a fiscally responsible program to reimburse eligible participants for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred from releases into the environment.

"We are thankful to House Speaker Mike Turzai for appointing Chris to the board," PFMA President & CEO Alex Baloga said. "Chris already has an extensive background in the fuels industry and a bright future at a growing company."

Hartman is the 11th generation of the family business, dating back to 1747 when Rutter's purchased its farm in York. He started working in Rutter's stores when he was 13 years old.

Hartman has a Master of Business Administration from George Washington University and an undergraduate degree in Accounting and Finance from St. Joseph's University. He worked for five years in Dallas as a food broker before returning to York to work at the family business in July 2018.

Baloga also serves on the board. State legislation approved in 2017 gave PFMA a board seat.

About PFMA

The Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association, a statewide trade association, advocates the views of nearly 800 convenience stores, supermarkets, independent grocers, wholesalers and consumer product vendors. PFMA members operate more than 3,500 stores and employ more than 200,000 Pennsylvanians. For more information on PFMA, visit www.pfma.org.

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