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### News Release

#### WESTERN BARLEY GROWERS ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS BILL C-619

**Airdrie, AB. – February 16, 2011:** The Western Barley Growers Association (WBGA) strongly supports Private Members Bill C-619”, says president Brian Otto. The WBGA has always supported changes to the Canadian Wheat Board Act that would allow producers to choose to whom and where they market their grain.

“WBGA has never advocated the abolition of the CWB, we have always felt that the CWB should be voluntary and this bill allows this to happen”, states the president. “We realize this Bill will require the support of one of the opposition parties and it will face significant challenges to be passed”. WBGA thank Bruce Stanton, MP Simcoe North, for introducing the Bill and support the Government in its move to give western Canadian producers the freedom to market their own grain.

Bill C-619 proposes changes to the Canadian Wheat Board Act that would allow western Canadian producers the same marketing opportunities and privileges that all other produces outside the designated area have now. We call on the opposition parties to support this Private Members Bill to end the discrimination against western Canadian producers.

Western Barley Growers Association is a strong voice for a vibrant, market responsive barley industry in western Canada.

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