Dear Montana Cooperatives and Supporters,

I hope this letter finds you well. It is with great pleasure that I invite you to the 64th Annual Meeting and Conference, scheduled for January 29th-30th, 2024. This event promises to be an engaging and transformative experience for all who attend, and we are excited to have you join us.

Conference Highlights:

- <u>Inspiring Montana Cooperatives</u>: During this event, you will have the opportunity to hear from Montana cooperatives that are making a substantial impact in their communities. Their stories and experiences will motivate and provide valuable insights into cooperative success across Montana.
- <u>Peer Learning</u>: Our conference is a unique platform to learn from your peers. Share ideas, strategies, and best practices with fellow cooperative enthusiasts, fostering a collaborative environment that can benefit your own cooperative initiatives.
- <u>Building Cross-Sector Networks</u>: One of the key aspects of the conference is the chance to build cross-sector networks. Connect with like-minded individuals from various cooperative sectors, exchange ideas, and potentially form partnerships that can lead to cooperative growth and innovation.
- <u>Strengthening the Cooperative Community</u>: Our conference is not just about individual cooperatives; it's about strengthening the overall cooperative community. Together, we can work towards a more cooperative, inclusive, and sustainable future.
- <u>National and State Policy Roundtable Discussions</u>: Participate in crucial discussions regarding national and state policies that impact cooperatives. Your voice matters, and this is an opportunity to influence policies that affect the cooperative movement.

The 64th Annual Meeting and Conference promises to be a memorable event filled with knowledgesharing, networking, and community-building. We look forward to your participation and contributions to making this conference a resounding success.

Please mark your calendars for January 29th-30th, 2024, and stay tuned for further details regarding registration and the conference agenda. We are confident that this event will leave you inspired and equipped with the tools to drive positive change in your cooperative endeavors.

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to the cooperative movement in Montana. We anticipate your presence at this significant gathering.

Sincerely, Heidi Borlaug MCOC President