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**IPPE Recognizes Two Case Farms Employees as “30 Under 30” Young Leaders**

*Ryan Beddingfield and Erin LaBarbera recognized for outstanding leadership qualities*

**Troutman, N.C. – February 2019** – Two [Case Farms](#) employees were recognized as outstanding talents in the poultry industry by the International Production & Processing Expo (IPPE) as part of its [“30 Under 30” Program](#) during the February expo in Atlanta. The award ceremony took place inside the expo’s Georgia World Congress Center, where more than 32,000 industry professionals gathered for the three-day event.

Those recognized include:

- Ryan Beddingfield, Goldsboro site controller
- Erin LaBarbera, business analyst

“Both Ryan and Erin were two of 30 professionals who were recognized for their outstanding work and commitment to the industry,” said Mike Popowycz, vice chairman and chief financial officer at Case Farms. “We are very proud of all they have accomplished during their tenure, and are excited to see their leadership abilities evolve individually and within their teams.”



The IPPE’s 30 Under 30 Program recognizes young professionals for their professional leadership qualities, and provides them the opportunity to learn about the latest industry technologies and attend further trainings in each person’s respective industry.

The goal of the program aims to invest in and engage young professionals who work for companies involved in the production and processing of poultry and meat or the production of animal or poultry feed. Apart from working for those companies, applicants must be members of the American Feed Industry Association, the North American Meat Institute or the U.S. Poultry & Egg Association.

**About Case Farms:**

Founded in 1986, Case Farms is a fully integrated poultry farming and processing group of dedicated individuals that work together to produce consistent, quality poultry products. Its driving purpose is to deliver superior products and service to every customer, every time. Case Farms processes 3.3 million birds per week, has over 3,200 dedicated team members, and produces in excess of 1.0 billion pounds of fresh, partially cooked, and frozen-for-export poultry products per year. The company has operations or offices in Ohio and North Carolina. For more information on Case Farms, visit [www.casefarms.com](http://www.casefarms.com).

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