

# Phosphate Holdings, Inc.

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**News Release**

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## **CANTRELL NAMED PHOSPHATE HOLDINGS, INC., CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

(MADISON, Miss., May 20, 2008) Timothy R. Cantrell has joined Phosphate Holdings, Inc. ("PHI"), as Chief Financial Officer.

"I am pleased to announce that Tim Cantrell will be joining our executive team," said Robert Jones, PHI chief executive officer. "Tim has prior experience with our Company and has been a valued business advisor to our organization in his role as a partner on our account while working with KPMG, LLP, and also with Arthur Andersen, LLP."

Mr. Cantrell has worked 26 years in public accounting, including serving as managing partner of Arthur Andersen's, Jackson, Miss., office from 1998 through 2002. In 2002, Mr. Cantrell joined KPMG, LLP, and was named managing partner of their Memphis office in 2004. Prior to joining PHI, Mr. Cantrell served as a financial and business advisor to Richard F. Scruggs and his various business and investment interests. Mr. Cantrell and his wife, Tricia, will relocate to Madison, Miss.

Phosphate Holdings, Inc., is a Delaware corporation and the sole stockholder of Mississippi Phosphates Corporation. Mississippi Phosphates Corporation is a Delaware corporation with its executive headquarters in Madison, Miss. Mississippi Phosphates Corporation owns and operates manufacturing facilities in Pascagoula, Miss., which produce diammonium phosphate, the most common form of phosphate fertilizer used as a source of phosphate on all major row crops.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

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