



## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **Tim Welbanks Elected 2007 CSTA President**

**Ottawa July 17, 2007** – Tim Welbanks has been elected the 67<sup>th</sup> President of the Canadian Seed Trade Association. Welbanks, who is the Product Information Manager for Pioneer Hi-Bred in Chatham Ontario, was elected at the CSTA's 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Ottawa.

Tim was first elected to the CSTA Board of Directors in 1998. He has served on many CSTA standing committees, and continues to represent CSTA on a number of external associations and advisory committees. He has been especially active in corn and soybeans, and has contributed on a regular basis to the Garden Seed and Organic Committee and the Intellectual Property Committee. The Board of Directors and staff at CSTA welcome Tim and look forward to a productive year under his leadership.

Jeff Reid of SeCan in Ottawa, Ontario was elected CSTA 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President at the Annual meeting, and David Sippell of Canterra Seeds in Winnipeg, Manitoba was elected 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President. Three new members have been elected to the CSTA Board of Directors. Doug Knight of Saskatchewan Wheat Pool in Regina, Saskatchewan; Archie Wilson, C&M Seeds in Palmerston, Ontario, and Stephen Denys, Pride Seeds in Chatham Ontario will serve 3 year terms on the Board.

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