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**The Aurora Cooperative Announces  
Financial Results for Fiscal Year 2012**

AURORA, NE (November 16, 2012) – The Aurora Cooperative, a leading grain marketer and agricultural supplier throughout Nebraska and the U.S., today announced the financial results of the company’s fiscal year that ended August 31, 2012.

The company reported sales and related income totaling \$1.1 billion for fiscal year 2012 and total earnings of approximately \$29 million. This represents the highest earnings year in the company’s history. Highlights of the year included farmer-owner equity growing to \$135 million and in excess of \$5 million in patronage and tax-free equity revolvment to farmer-owners.

“The Aurora Cooperative’s farmer-owners continue to support and build their company, as evidenced by these results,” said George Hohwieler, President and CEO of the Aurora Cooperative.

“Our company’s vision is to be financially strong, innovative, independent and locally-owned – now, and for the next generation. It appears we are on the right path to achieve these goals,” Hohwieler said.

Farmer-owner update meetings will be held in the upcoming months to review fiscal year 2012 and provide an update on the company’s progress.

Based in Aurora, NE since 1908, the Aurora Cooperative is a premiere, multi-purpose agricultural cooperative providing service and expertise in grain, agronomy, animal nutrition and energy. For more information, visit [www.auroracoop.com](http://www.auroracoop.com).

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