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**Grain Growers of Canada welcomes new Executive Director**  
*Erin Gowriluk brings extensive experience in agriculture policy*

**January 7, 2019 (OTTAWA)** – Grain Growers of Canada (GGC) is pleased to announce that Erin Gowriluk has been named Executive Director, commencing immediately. Based in Ottawa, Ms. Gowriluk will manage GGC’s day-to-day operations as well as advocacy, and policy work on behalf of 65,000 grain farmer members from coast to coast.

“We are delighted that Erin will be joining GGC,” said Chair, Jeff Nielsen. “A strong leader, Erin is already well known and respected in our industry. She will bring a tremendous amount to the role as she implements the new organizational framework developed during our recent year-long strategic review.”

Ms. Gowriluk has an extensive and diverse background in agriculture policy having most recently been with Syngenta Canada. Prior to that, she held senior policy roles with GGC members Alberta Wheat and Barley Commissions, as well as the Alberta Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development. Ms. Gowriluk majored in policy studies within the Bachelor of Arts program at Mount Royal University in Calgary and holds a Master of Arts in Leadership from Royal Roads University in Victoria, BC.

“I appreciate this opportunity to lead Grain Growers and advance federal policy positions on behalf of our members,” said Ms. Gowriluk. “I am proud to join GGC’s strong, almost twenty year history of advocacy and look forward to working collectively and collaboratively towards the achievement of our sector’s full growth potential.”

Ms. Gowriluk can be reached at the Ottawa offices of Grain Growers of Canada at 613-233-9954 ext. 201 or [egowriluk@ggc-pgc.ca](mailto:egowriluk@ggc-pgc.ca).

**About Grain Growers of Canada**

*GGC provides a strong national voice for over 65,000 active and successful grain, oilseed and pulse producers through its 16 provincial, regional and national grower groups. As a farmer-driven association, GGC advocates for the federal government to take decisions that support the competitiveness and profitability of grain growers across Canada.*

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