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Zhou and Gao win Sulphur Fertilizer Research Achievement Awards

WASHINGTON, DC, September 26, 2012 – The Third Sulphur Fertilizer Research Achievement Awards were presented to Dr. Zhou Wei and Dr. Gao Xiangzhao at the 12th China Soil Science Society (CSSS) Conference in Chengdu, China. The award was established in 2004 by The Sulphur Institute and CSSS to encourage and recognize outstanding scientific and technology research and extension work on plant nutrient sulphur and sulphur fertilizer technology. Catherine Randazzo, TSI president and CEO congratulated the winners stating, "The Sulphur Institute continues to support research on advancing sulphur fertilizer technology. Sulphur has an important role in improving crop yield and quality – and in increasing the efficiency of other nutrients. Technology is key."

Dr. Zhou Wei, professor and senior research scientist, Chinese Academy of Agriculture Sciences, has made significant achievements in sulphur fertilizer research, especially in evaluation of soil sulphur fertility and sulphur fertilizer effects in different cropping systems within China. Dr. Gao Xiangzhao, senior research scientist, director of water conservation farming, China National Agricultural Technology and Service Center, has made outstanding contributions to the promotion of sulphur fertilizer use in Chinese agriculture, most notably increasing awareness of the importance of sulphur fertilizer in Chinese agriculture and advancing sulphur requirements for balanced fertilization.

Founded in 1960, TSI represents all stakeholders actively engaged in producing, buying, selling, handling, transporting, or adding value to sulphur on a global basis. For more information about TSI membership, programs and contributions to the industry as well as, Sulphur—an advantaged element[®], TSI's most recent educational program, contact Don Messick, The Sulphur Institute, 1020 19th Street NW, Suite 520, Washington, DC 20036, USA. Telephone: +1 202 331 9586; E-mail: DMessick@sulphurinstitute.org; Website: www.sulphurinstitute.org

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