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The Honorable Governor Nikki R. Haley  
Office of the Governor  
1205 Pendleton Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Governor Haley,

It was great "bumping into" you at the Clemson-UNC game at Clemson on October 10, 2014. It's always a pleasure to see you and be able to speak for even a few moments. My congratulations on your resounding victory on November 4.

South Carolina Farm Bureau Federation has the distinct privilege and honor of hosting the Southern Region Presidents' & Administrators' Conference in 2015. This conference is made up of presidents and administrators from each of the states included in the Southern Region of American Farm Bureau. We will have representatives attending from Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. Also, our President of American Farm Bureau, Mr. Bob Stallman will be present.

Please accept our official invitation to speak to the group during the conference in our beautiful, historic city of Charleston, South Carolina, at a time convenient to your schedule. The conference will be held at the French Quarter Inn at 166 Church Street from Sunday, May 31, 2014 through noon on Tuesday, June 2, 2014. Understanding your demanding schedule, we would be delighted for you to be able to join us at a number of different venues during our conference...from our welcome reception on Sunday evening at 6:00 PM, to our tour of low country agriculture on Monday, June 1 (details are still under development), to our session on Tuesday morning between 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

As you know, Agribusiness (including agriculture and forestry) remains South Carolina's largest economic engine generating an annual economic impact of \$34 billion and creating 200,000 jobs. We have a lot of pride in this economic stimulus in South Carolina. We would be very honored if you could take time to speak to this group and share the accomplishments of our great state of South Carolina. We appreciate all that you have done and continue to do to bring new jobs to South Carolina – including new jobs in agribusiness.

Please feel free to contact me at (803) 936-4210. I'm happy to answer any questions you may have concerning this group. Or you may have a staff member contact my Executive Secretary, Betty Meadows, at the same telephone number. I have taken the liberty to send this information by email to your scheduler, Nicole Priester, as you mentioned on October 10<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to your reply.

Warm regards,

David M. Winkles, Jr.  
President  
South Carolina Farm Bureau Federation