

MGP INGREDIENTS INC
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MGP Ingredients, Inc.
(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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Cray Family Management LLC

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On October 16, 2013, Karen Seaberg provided the following statement to certain media outlets:

We were very pleased to learn that the Kansas Court of Appeals has allowed the 60-day stay of conducting the Annual Meeting of shareholders of MGP Ingredients, Inc. (the Company) to expire on October 21, 2013 without extension. This development combined with the ruling by the Johnson County District Court that the Company has no standing to challenge the validity of the Voting Trust holding preferred stock of the Company make abundantly clear that the Company has no legal excuse not to promptly reconvene the Annual Meeting of shareholders originally ordered by the Atchison County District to take place by August 26, 2013. We believe the other directors should fulfill their fiduciary obligations to allow the shareholders to exercise their corporate suffrage and promptly vote upon the election of directors, corporate governance reform and have their advisory say on executive compensation.

Karen Seaberg, along with Laidacker M. Seaberg, Cloud L. Cray, Jr., Thomas M. Cray, Cray Family Management LLC, Cray MGP Holdings LP, John P. Bridendall and M. Jeannine Strandjord, are participants (the Participants) in the solicitation of proxies for the MGP Ingredients, Inc. (the Company) 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, and any adjournments, postponements, continuations or rescheduling thereof (the 2013 Annual Meeting), and, in the case of Karen Seaberg and Cloud L. Cray, Jr., both are directors of the Company.

ON JULY 10, 2013, THE PARTICIPANTS FILED A DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (THE SEC). SECURITY HOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO READ THE DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE SOLICITATION OF PROXIES BY THE PARTICIPANTS FROM THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY FOR USE AT THE 2013 ANNUAL MEETING BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PARTICIPANTS. THE DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE AT THE SEC'S WEBSITE AT [HTTP://WWW.SEC.GOV](http://www.sec.gov). THE PARTICIPANTS' DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT AND A FORM OF PROXY WERE FIRST SENT TO HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY'S COMMON STOCK AND PREFERRED STOCK ON OR ABOUT JULY 12, 2013.
