

## UPL signs a multi-year agreement with the Soil Health Institute to drive innovation in agriculture.

Partners to provide the right solutions for farmers to enhance soil health.

Research Triangle Park, USA, May 4, 2021. Today, <u>UPL Ltd.</u> is proud to announce a two-year agreement with the <u>Soil Health Institute</u> (SHI), a non-profit organization whose mission is to safeguard and enhance the vitality and productivity of soil through scientific research and advancement. With this collaboration, SHI will evaluate the soil health at selected UPL research and development field stations around the world (including UPL's OpenAg Farm in Brazil), provide soil health training for UPL field agronomists, and help establish R&D protocols for evaluating the impacts of management practices on soil health.

Soil is the basis of our world's agroecosystems that provide food, feed, fiber and fuel. By 2050, the world will be challenged to feed 9 billion people while also managing limited natural resources and the impact of climate change. UPL, with its mission to make every food product more sustainable, collaborates with partners, farmers, and key stakeholders to meet the future demand of agriculture, and improving <u>soil heath</u> will be essential to achieving that goal.

Farmers adopting regenerative soil health systems can help our nations grow food for an expanding population, mitigate and adapt to climate change, improve water quality, and increase biodiversity. The partnership with SHI will advance understanding of the most beneficial and scalable regenerative practices agriculture can employ to meet the challenges of tomorrow, while at the same time, improving productivity and farmer livelihoods. "Our collaboration with SHI is a step towards understanding our soil in a much deeper way to provide the right solutions for farmers to enhance soil health, a key element for sustainable agriculture," said Adrian Percy, Chief Technology Officer, UPL. "It exemplifies our belief in activating connections across the world's agriculture system and powering new levels of sustainable growth, in line with our OpenAg<sup>TM</sup> purpose, an agriculture network that feeds sustainable growth for all. No limits, no borders."

"Our research and training programs are focused to provide useful outcomes for farmers, the environment, and society," said Dr. Wayne Honeycutt, CEO of the Soil Health Institute. "So far, most of our work has been in North America. This collaboration with UPL will allow us to further explore and translate soil health science into actionable management practices in other regions of the world, too," said Honeycutt.

## ABOUT UPL

UPL Ltd. (NSE: UPL & BSE: 512070) is a global provider of sustainable agriculture products & solutions, with annual revenue exceeding \$5 billion. We are a purpose-led company. Through OpenAg, UPL is focused on facilitating progress for the entire agricultural value chain. We are building a network that redefines the way an entire industry thinks and works – open to fresh ideas, innovative ways and new answers as we strive towards our mission to make every single food product more sustainable. As one of the largest agriculture solutions companies worldwide, our robust portfolio consists of biologicals and traditional crop protection solutions with more than 13,600 registrations. We are present in more than 130 countries, represented by more than 10,000 colleagues globally. For more information about our integrated portfolio of solutions across the food value chain including seeds, post-harvest, as well as physical and digital services, please visit <u>upl-ltd.com</u> and follow us on <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Facebook</u>

## ABOUT SOIL HEALTH INSTITUTE

The Soil Health Institute is a global non-profit with a mission to safeguard and enhance the vitality and productivity of soil through scientific research and advancement. We bring together leaders in soil health science and the industry to help farmers, ranchers, and landowners adopt soil health systems that build drought resilience, stabilize yield, and benefit their bottom line. The Institute's team of scientists, holding doctorates in various soil science and related disciplines, has developed highly effective soil health targets and standardized measurements to quantify progress at achieving regenerative and sustainable agricultural systems, and leads the cutting-edge fields of carbon sequestration and decoding the soil microbiome. Healthy soils are the foundation for rejuvenating our land. Together, we can create a secure future for all, mitigate the effects of climate change, and help agriculture and organizations meet production and environmental goals at scale. Visit <u>soilhealthinstitute.org</u> to learn more and follow us on <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Facebook</u>.

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