



# Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State

## Minnesota Public Benefit Corporation / Annual Benefit Report

Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 304A

Read the instructions before completing this form  
 Must be filed by March 31  
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The Annual Benefit Report covers the 12 month period ending on December 31 of the previous year.  
 Notice: Failure to file this form by March 31 of this year will result in the revocation of the corporation's public benefit status without further notice from the Secretary of State, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 304A.301

1. File Number

2. Corporate Name: (Required)

3. The public benefit corporation's board of directors has reviewed and approved this report.

4. In the field below, enter the information required by section 304A.301 subd. 2 or 3 for the period covered by this report, (see instructions for further information): Note: Use additional sheets if needed. (Required)

5. I, the undersigned, certify that I am the chief executive officer of this public benefit corporation. I further certify that I have signed this document no more than 30 days before the document is delivered to the secretary of state for filing, and that this document is current when signed. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

Signature of Public Benefit Corporation's Chief Executive Officer

Date (Must be dated within 30 days before the report is delivered to the Secretary of State for Filing)

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Entities that own, lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed must register with the MN Dept. of Agriculture's Corporate Farm Program.

Does this entity own, lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed?  
 Yes  No

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March 28th, 2023  
Perennial Pantry, SBC  
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Perennial Pantry Specific Benefit Corporation Annual Report for 2022

Perennial Pantry's mission is to bring about a just and expedient transition to perennial agriculture. Row crop agriculture relies on annual crops, which require yearly tillage and soil disturbance. This leads to soil erosion, water quality issues, and carbon emissions. Perennial Pantry processes Kernza® Perennial Grain, a crop developed over the past 2 decades as a cousin of wheat. Kernza® is planted once and grows deep root systems, which survive multiple years. These roots build soil, prevent water pollution, and sequester carbon.

Perennial Pantry buys Kernza directly from Minnesota growers, and turns it into a variety of products for wholesale, retail, and direct to consumer markets. The company worked to accelerate the transition to perennial agriculture in 2022 by:

- Buying, cleaning, and selling over 18 thousand lbs of Kernza, with a focus on grain grown on DWSMA acres in greater MN. Partners in Edgerton, MN have seen a 30-40% reduction in city nitrate drinking water levels since planting Kernza.
- Developing 13 new products based on Kernza, including pasta, tortillas, crackers, mixes, pilafs, and more.
- Launching a monthly pantry box to bring Kernza into a more regular diet usage and to expand awareness of the crop's impact.
- Advocating for successful legislation that will expand markets and supply chains for Kernza and other perennial crops.
- Working in collaboration with partners to scale up Kernza, including the University of MN, The Land Institute, environmental and water nonprofits, growers, and other businesses.
- Completing malting research to increase the use of Kernza by brewers and distillers, and publishing an 80 page report to share the findings to encourage broad adoption of malted Kernza.

Our specific public benefit was tangibly moved forward in 2022. As a leading business commercializing Kernza, our work has helped increase acres, awareness, and market demand for the leading perennial crop.

No circumstances hindered our efforts to pursue our specific public benefit.

This report has been reviewed and approved by the Perennial Pantry board of directors.

Christopher Abbott  
CEO  
Perennial Pantry, SBC



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