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Dennis Kelly is head of Syngenta's State Affairs Department, located in Greensboro, NC.

Syngenta is a leading agriculture company helping to improve global food security by enabling millions of farmers to make better use of available resources. Through world class science and innovative crop solutions, their 28,000 people in over 90 countries are working to transform how crops are grown. They are committed to rescuing land from degradation, enhancing biodiversity and revitalizing rural communities. Syngenta has over 1,200 employees in NC, most are located in Greensboro and Research Triangle Park.

Dennis's team is responsible for the registration of Syngenta's products in the 50 states, working with legislators and regulators on agricultural issues and coordinating with state commodity associations at the local level.

Dennis grew up in Western New York State and graduated Cornell University with degrees in plant pathology and agronomy.

He has worked for Syngenta, and its parent companies, for over 40 years and has held various roles in R+D, Sales, Technical Services, Regulatory and Government Affairs. He has worked with growers and regulators in all 50 states during his tenure with Syngenta.

He is currently serving as President of Agricultural Alliance of North Carolina—an NC trade association that represents approximately 20 NC commodity groups and agricultural technology providers.

Dennis was recently awarded The 2017 Ag Ambassador's Circle Award by the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) for a lifetime of service to the agricultural industry.

