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To All ISA-Midwestern Chapter Members:

ISA's Midwestern Chapter (MW-ISA) and the Iowa Arborist Association (IAA) have aligned through a mutual agreement and completed a transition plan for IAA to become an ISA Associate Organization (AO). We are excited to announce that ISA's Board of Directors has approved the initiative, and IAA will formally become an ISA Associate Organization, effective January 1, 2017.

Arborists in Iowa now have several membership options. You may choose to:

1. Join **ISA's Iowa Arborist Association** on the [ISA website](#), by emailing membership@iowaarboristassociation.org, or by downloading and returning the application available on the [IAA website](#).
2. Join **ISA's Midwestern Chapter** on the [ISA website](#), by phoning MW-ISA Executive Director Megan Poe (402-761-2216), or by emailing her at megan@youraam.com.
3. Join **ISA** on the [ISA website](#).
4. Become a member of **any or all** of the organizations listed above on the [ISA website](#).

ISA would like to thank the representatives of the Midwestern Chapter and the Iowa Arborists for assisting with the transition. Both associations look forward to serving members and credential holders and to partnering on future events, such as seminars and workshops. Joining ISA, IAA, and MW provides you access to training and education for professional development, as well as networking opportunities with top tree care professionals locally, across the Midwestern region, and internationally.

During the initial transition year of 2017, a member of each association's board will sit on the other's board to ensure member focus is a mutual goal. We encourage you to become a member of all three of these organizations and take advantage of all the benefits available to you.

Wishing you all the best in the New Year!

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