

Milo has a magnetic personality and his enthusiasm for rice is infectious. He is a great speaker, entertaining and informing his audience about rice. He uses his vast experience to relate fascinating and often amusing stories about his travels throughout Asia...If you get the chance to hear Milo speak take it - you won't be disappointed.

— Andrew McKenzie, Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness at University of Arkansas

Milo Hamilton **President & Founder** **Firstgrain**

For three decades Milo Hamilton has covered the world of rice for his customers. For 18 years he bought rice for Uncle Ben's Inc., a Mars Incorporated company. For the last 14 years, his company, Firstgrain, has advised sophisticated rice firms and farmers on the market and its relationship to everything else. It focuses on long-term and short-term changes and gives others an edge. It seeks to level the playing field for rice farmers to help them prosper and to respect each other as professionals. The current clientele of Firstgrain includes CEOs of rice firms and farms across the globe. Milo Hamilton travels throughout the Americas, Europe and Asia sharing his expert message on the global rice market with these firms, farmers, associations, and bureaus.

In recent years, Milo Hamilton grew concerned about the global impact of change from the rural rice markets in Asia. As a world expert on rice, his concern led him to write his book *When Rice Shakes the World*; so others might know what could happen and what should happen as the East and the West collide.

Milo Hamilton lives in Austin, Texas with his wife, Jan, and his little Pomeranian, Penney. He is surrounded by his children and their families.

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