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Johnson Named Chief Operations Officer

Grand Forks, N.D., November 15, 2011 – Brian P. Johnson recently joined Choice Financial as chief operating officer (COO) in Grand Forks, N.D.

Johnson brings extensive banking experience to his new role with Choice Financial, including commercial and agribusiness banking. He was previously employed with KleinBank in Montevideo, Minn., where he was chief credit officer and most recently served as market president.

“We are excited to have Mr. Johnson join our team. He is a great addition to provide vision and leadership in the growth and business development initiatives of the bank,” states Brian L. Johnson, Choice Financial chief executive officer.

Johnson graduated with a bachelor’s degree in business administration with an emphasis in computer science from the University of Mary, Bismarck, N.D.

Johnson’s previous community involvement, includes being president and board member of the Montevideo Chamber of Commerce, board member for the Montevideo Community Development Corporation, and was an active member of the St. Joseph Church Finance Council.

Choice Financial has nine full-service banking locations in North Dakota, including two in the Grand Forks area. Choice Financial offers banking, insurance, investment and mortgage services.

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