

## Inter-Office Communication



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**To:** Safeway Employees                      **From:** Don Wright, SVP Real Estate and Engineering

**Date:** October 17, 2012

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**Subject:** Retirement of Howard Gerelick: Re-alignment of Real Estate Vice President Division Responsibilities

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Howard Gerelick informed me on Tuesday of his intentions to retire following nearly 22 years of service with Safeway. Howard has been with Safeway Real Estate since 1991, most recently as Vice President for the Denver, Texas and Phoenix Divisions. I would like to thank Howard for all his contributions to the company and our Real Estate program during his long career. I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

With this change, I am pleased to announce that Tim Baker, Vice President, Real Estate, Eastern Division, will also oversee Real Estate responsibilities for the Denver and Texas Divisions. In this expanded role, David Harden, Director, Real Estate in Texas and Terry Kunz, Real Estate Representative in Denver will now report to Tim.

I am also pleased to announce that Brian Braaten, Vice President, Real Estate, Vons Division, will now oversee Real Estate responsibilities for the Phoenix Division.

These changes take effect immediately. I would like to thank everyone for their support during this transition.

Please join me in congratulating Tim and Brian for taking on expanded roles in these operating divisions.