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Prior to joining the University of Adelaide in 2006, Ms. Umberger was an assistant and associate professor from 2001-07 in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at Colorado State University. Ms. Umberger has published extensively and has been invited to present her work internationally to a variety of audiences including industry, government and academic.

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