



WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE

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Governor Jim Doyle
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State Capitol
Madison, WI 53702

Dear Governor Doyle:

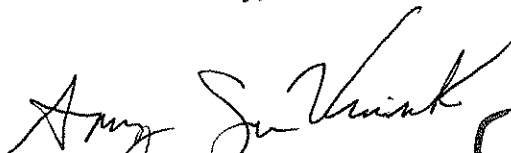
We are writing to express our support for The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point (UWSP) \$1.7 million budget request for its ongoing biofuels research initiative within its growing Wisconsin Institute for Sustainable Technology (WIST). This request is for the second year of the 2009-11 UW System state budget request.


The \$1.7 million request is important not just to UWSP, but also to our constituents in Central Wisconsin and Wisconsin as a whole. We are aware that you have made energy independence a top priority, and this request will help to expand on the various programs you have already initiated. It is important to remember that both private and public sector leaders throughout Wisconsin support and are excited to move forward on biofuel research and this request will only help to facilitate its development.


The University of Wisconsin –Stevens Point research faculty are convinced they can create a viable application for turning paper and forest waste into a highly efficient, marketable biofuel within the coming months. Whether along the Wisconsin River, or in the Fox Valley, our paper mills have taken serious financial blows both in production rates and through job losses. UWSP's initiative is worthy of serious consideration as Wisconsin seeks non agriculture-based biofuel initiatives to move the state to energy independence, as well as retaining paper and pulp mill jobs.

Thank you for your attention to our request. Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this matter.

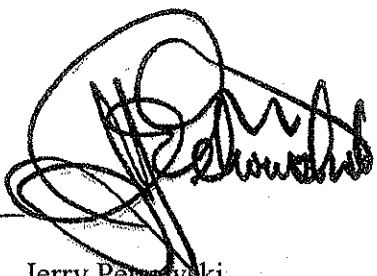
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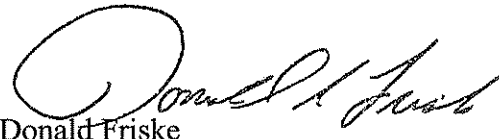
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