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Dear [recipient name was inserted here],

I appreciate the opportunity to provide comments on the 2007 Farm Bill.

Question 1: The competitiveness of U.S. agriculture in global and domestic markets. How should farm policy be designed to maximize U.S. competitiveness and our country's ability to effectively compete in global markets?

Comment: The American public does not realize how lucky we are to have a safe, consistently high quality food supply. The quality will naturally cost more than foreign food products. We all understand that there are different qualities in the products we buy, food is no exception.

Question 2: The challenges facing new farmers and ranchers as they enter agriculture. How should farm policy address any unintended consequences and ensure that such consequences do not discourage new farmers and the next generation of farmers from entering production agriculture?

Comment: The antagonistic attitude of the government toward family farms in the form of excessive regulation and interference in day to day activities is driving young people from the farm.

Question 3: The appropriateness and effectiveness of the distribution of farm program benefits. How should farm policy be designed to effectively and fairly distribute assistance to producers?

Comment: I do not have any personal experience with this so do not have a comment.

Question 4: The achievement of conservation and environmental goals. How can farm policy best achieve conservation and environmental goals?

Comment: Most farmers are caring stewards of the land. Their input in

the overall environmental health of the world is far overstated. Industrial contributors should be the focus of government control, not farming.

Question 5: The enhancement of rural economic growth. How can Federal rural and farm programs provide effective assistance in rural areas?

Comment:

Question 6: The opportunities to expand agricultural products, markets, and research. How should agricultural product development, marketing and research-related issues be addressed in the next farm bill?

Comment: It is imperative that agriculture research keep us on the cutting edge of efficient management and improved product development. We need to educate the public both domestic and foreign of the benefits and safety of many GMO products.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments for the 2007 Farm Bill.

Sincerely,

Ramona Rommereim