

FARM to FLY 2.0 - Working Together Resolution

WHEREAS, the previous FARM to FLY program of 2010-2012 achieved progress as a result of coordinated public-private focus on the development of sustainable biofuel for the Commercial Aviation Industry (Ref: *Agriculture and Aviation: Partners in Prosperity*, Parts I and II), but also identified further opportunities for progress, and; the USDA and the Aviation Enterprise acknowledge that their combined efforts have the potential to increase domestic energy security and improve sustainability for aviation, and are aligned with both USDA's goals to support rural economic development and Aviation's needs to establish robust regionalized biomass supply chains for the production of sustainable bio-Jet Fuel;

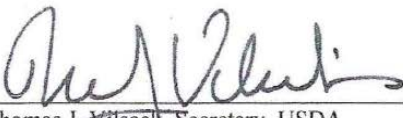
THEREFORE, AS OUR GOAL, we the undersigned, jointly signify our intent to continue working together over the next five years in an expanded collaboration entitled "Farm to Fly 2.0", to enable commercially viable, sustainable bio-Jet Fuel supply chains in the U.S. that are able to support the goal of one billion gallons of bio-Jet Fuel production capacity and use for the Aviation Enterprise by 2018;

WE AGREE, to consider and pursue actions that can be taken within existing statutory authority, as well as to identify those that may require rulemaking or statutory changes, or need funding via upcoming budget or reauthorization considerations. This resolution constitutes a strong statement of mutually shared goals and intentions; it shall not, however, constitute a legally binding agreement.

WE COMMIT to designating personnel for a "FARM to FLY 2.0" Working Group, tasked with executing the following:

- (1) Work together, and with other public and private partners, to assess and propose means for meeting our mutual Goal. Efforts will include the following types of activities that will be accomplished through regional/local assessments, and studies of potential bio-Jet Fuel production projects:
 - a. A systematic evaluation of current and prospective feedstock types and systems, and road-mapping of gaps and needs using the previously developed feedstock readiness level tools and other applicable resources.
 - b. A systematic development of public/private teams at the state and local level, whose goals it will be to coordinate regional efforts to reach the Goal.
- (2) Work with associated teams, through USDA's range of applicable Research and Education, Commercial Enablement, and Policy Support programs, as well as all other available mechanisms, on the development of multiple feedstock supply chains that demonstrate promise. Efforts will focus on five key areas of the intended supply chain development that include the following: feedstock development; feedstock logistics and transportation infrastructure; grower acceptance, education, and extension; production risk mitigation; and sustainable production.
- (3) To communicate results and make recommendations for needed strategic public-private partnerships, regional pilot programs, implementation enhancement, and fast-track approvals. The Working Group shall issue periodic progress reports and a final report by year-end 2018.




Thomas J. Vilsack, Secretary, USDA




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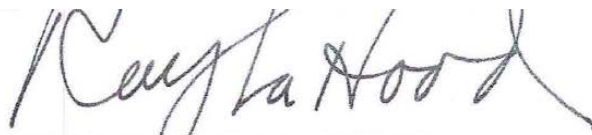



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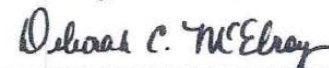



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