November 28, 2006

Mr. Ernest C. Shea  
Project Coordinator  
25 x’25  
208 Melanchton Avenue  
Lutherville, MD 21093

Dear Mr. Shea:

I am pleased to endorse the 25x’25 vision that by 2025, America’s farms, forests and ranches will provide 25 percent of the total energy consumed in the United States, while continuing to produce safe, abundant, and affordable food, feed and fiber. Alabama is eager to advance the development of renewable energy resources that will help to secure our energy future while providing a unique opportunity for rural economic development.

Agriculture and forestry are very important industries in the state of Alabama, and I am committed to working with them to make this vision a reality.

Sincerely,

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