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Mr. Ernest C. Shea  
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Dear Mr. Shea,

I am pleased to support the 25 x '25 initiative and I have directed A.G. Kawamura, Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, to represent California in this effort. My Administration will work with the Western Governors Association's Clean and Diversified Energy Advisory Committee as we implement consensus recommendations for solar, wind, geothermal, hydro and biomass energy for their June 2006 report.

California is committed to the development of a clean energy economy. The 25 x '25 initiative will play an important role in moving towards that goal. I have already established the Million Solar Roofs Initiative, a Bioenergy Action Plan, the Climate Action Team and a Hydrogen Highway Initiative, among other efforts that will help decrease our reliance on fossil fuels. Most recently, my successful work with the California Legislature on Assembly Bill 32, the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, will help develop a market-based system that makes California a world leader in the effort to reduce carbon emissions and encourage investment in green technologies.

Supporting our farms, forests, ranches and rural areas in producing renewable energy is good for the state's economy, local job creation and the environment. By implementing these programs in California we will help transition from a waste management society to one that embraces and uses all its resources.

I wish you every success as you move the 25 x '25 initiative forward across the nation.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger