Leaders from an alliance of agricultural, energy, environmental, business and labor
groups presented Congress this morning with a plan for 25% of the U.S. energy supply to
be made up of renewable fuels by 2025.

The 25x25 Action Plan provides policy makers with 35 specific recommendations for
meeting the ambitious energy goal, which the plan's Steering Committee says would cost
only 5% of America's spending on imported oil in 2006.

The recommendations are based on the reviews and recommendations of over 400
organizations, including farm groups such as the American Farm Bureau Federation,
environmental groups like the National Wildlife Federation, and General Motors.

The 25x25 recommendations focus on increased production of renewable energy,
expanding consumer demand, improved efficiency and resource conservation, and better
infrastructure for renewable fuels. One recommendation calls for a new federal renewable
energy requirement, an idea which some members of the Democratic Congress have
supported but which the Bush administration says should be left up to individual states.

If the U.S. reaches the 25x25 goal, the groups say it would generate $700 billion in new
annual economic activity, including a $37 billion farm income increase in the year 2025;
create four to five million new jobs; and reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 1 billion
tons.