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We are writing to express strong support for the Chairs Agreement (Agriculture Bill, Article 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 4, 8.34 - 10.4) that creates a grant program for, and funding to enable, fuel retailers to dispense biofuels to the public in accordance with Minn. Stat. 239.7911.

As this program is rolled out, based on available data and information, the economy will get a boost, the public will gain greater access to homegrown renewable biofuels, greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation sector will be lowered and more energy dollars will stay in Minnesota.

We commend the Committee Chairs for their efforts to bring forth a meaningful program that will provide long lasting benefits for Minnesotans.

Minnesota Bio-Fuels Association is a locally based trade organization that represents ethanol producers with biorefineries based in Minnesota.

Respectfully submitted,

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