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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the City of Roseau, I am writing in support of HF 3484 and SF 3229 which seeks State support for the NorthStar Pellet Initiative. Logging and the manufacture of forest products are vital to Northern Minnesota for jobs and economic prosperity. The forest industry has been hit hard by changes in the global economy and the changing use of paper products. Seeking out new markets and uses for our forest products is vital to not only support jobs in our communities, but also provide for the best management of our vast Minnesota forested areas. Managing forest resources for timber production and their byproducts can help keep large tracts of forest lands well managed and viable, ultimately preserving their natural habitat for the benefit of everyone. Investments in projects like the NorthStar Pellet Initiative is not only an economic development investment for producers in the northern part of the State, but it is also an investment in protecting our shared environment.

Sincerely,

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