

March 17, 2011

Representative Leonard Lance
426 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Representative Earl Blumenauer
1502 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representatives Lance and Blumenauer,

We strongly support your legislation, the Repeal Ethanol Subsidies Today Act, to end the refundable Volumetric Ethanol Excise Tax Credit (VEETC).

If enacted immediately, your legislation would save taxpayers nearly \$4 billion dollar in 2011. Experts like the Congressional Budget Office and the Government Accountability Office have already concluded that the subsidy is unnecessary, and leading economists agree that ending it would have little impact on ethanol production, prices or jobs.

We applaud you for your leadership on the issue and encourage Congress to pass this legislation swiftly.

Sincerely,

ActionAid USA
American Bakers Association
Americans for Limited Government
American Meat Institute
California Dairies, Inc
California Dairy Campaign
Clean Air Task Force
Clean Water Action
Competitive Enterprise Institute
Dairy Producers of Utah
Environmental Working Group
Freedom Action
Friends of the Earth
Grocery Manufacturer Association
International Dairy Foods Association
League of Conservation Voters

Milk Producers Council
National Audubon Society
National Chicken Council
National Council of Chain Restaurants
National Meat Association
National Taxpayers Union
National Turkey Federation
National Wildlife Federation
Natural Resources Defense Council
Northwest Dairy Association
Oxfam America
Sierra Club
Southeast Milk Inc.
Taxpayers for Common Sense
Union of Concerned Scientists
Washington State Dairy Federation