
An Opportunity for Dairymen and other Animal Production Operations in Northcentral Texas**BACKGROUND**

We have appreciated the initial discussions we have had with some of you at various times over the past 18 months in the work we are doing at the ATIP Foundation on “Advancing the Bioeconomy in Northcentral TX” utilizing renewable and/or waste feedstocks principally from agricultural operations (dairies, poultry, swine, beef). This project specifically is funded by USDA Rural Development by the divisions of Rural Business Development, and Renewable Energy for America Program, and we are conducting this in concert with the economic development authorities in Erath, Palo Pinto, Parker, and Hood counties. We are beginning our extensive update briefings to fifty-four (54) corporations from across the U.S. that have been following this project to determine whether they will establish a bioeconomy business in this region; thus far at least two already formally committed to build operations in the region.

YOUR OPPORTUNITY

Our purpose for contacting you today is to request an opportunity to brief you specifically on the status of the project and to gauge your interest in participating with these businesses in converting animal and agriculture wastes to bioenergy and other useful co-products.

SUPPORT PROVIDED

We have amassed an extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) database that illustrates exactly how much biomass is produced and where it is. This is important information for these businesses in determining where their facility should be located. Now, with the approaching closing of these current grants, the time is right to arrange a private briefing with you to demonstrate where the projects stand, and to gauge your interest in further participation. We also would like to know specifically what your needs are as you look for additional business opportunities for your operation.

The GIS Database we have developed documents the available sources of biomass in each region, as well as suppliers & service providers, and other resources important to business startups, expansions and relocations. We are working with State agencies, municipal and county governments, the financial services sector, economic development corporations and local workforce boards, academic institutions, and the supply chain from sources of biomass to end user of resultant goods and services, to ensure the region is supportive of and knowledgeable about the bioeconomy.

Again, we would appreciate an opportunity to brief you on the status of this project at your convenience. Please contact Dr. Rick Brenner, Director of ATIP Foundation, directly at rbrenner@atipfoundation.com or call him at (410) 980-1943 for scheduling.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU

We have enclosed a brief description of the GIS Database, and a summary of the support the ATIP Foundation can provide to these biomass conversion businesses, and to you as a provider of biomass. Our team will be in touch in follow up to our invitation, and we look forward to scheduling a virtual meeting with you.

Regards,

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