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Dear Chairman Clemens and Members of the Transportation Committee,

I am writing to express Green Bison Soy Processing's support for your consideration with regard to BILL SB2391. This BILL would designate Stutsman County Road 62 as part of the state highway system.

In November of 2023, Green Bison Soy Processing, a joint venture between ADM and Marathon Petroleum Corp., celebrated the opening of North Dakota's first dedicated soybean processing complex in Spiritwood, taking a major step in meeting increased demand for renewable fuels. Since September of 2023, Green Bison Soy Processing has been receiving soybeans and processing those soybeans for meal and oil. This facility, which makes a major economic impact in various aspects by supporting hundreds of jobs in the region, does produce approximately 600 million pounds of refined soybean oil annually. While this facility provides a significant impact to locally based agricultural producers, it will require quality roads such as Country Road 62 to support inbound and outbound products and sustainable solutions. We believe the support of this Bill would be the appropriate next step to a more consistent and reliable form of direct truck transportation to Spiritwood and serve as a viable asset in supporting Green Bison's generational investment within the community.

We believe BILL SB2391 fits the scope as a prime candidate for your consideration to deliver quality accessible roads that will support our facility which offers lasting benefits for our area farmers and statewide growers and brings together two of the most important components of North Dakota's economy, agriculture and energy. We strongly encourage you to support this important request as safer roads and quality access will serve as essential to our processing complex.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mike Keller
President
Green Bison Soy Processing