

January 31, 2010

To: North Dakota Legislature Agriculture Committee Members

- Representatives: Phillip Mueller (Chair), Mike Brandenburg, Mary Ekstrom, Rod Froelich, Curt Hofstad, Richard Holman, Dennis Johnson, Keith Kempenich, Joyce M. Kingsbury, Shirley Meyer, Gerry Uglen, Benjamin A. Vig, John D. Wall.
- Senators: Arthur H. Behm, Bill Bowman, Tim Flakoll, Terryl L. Jacobs, Curtis Olafson, Terry M. Wanzek, John Warner.

Fr: Vern Anderson, Ph. D., P.A.S., Animal Scientist, Carrington Research Extension Center, NDSU, Carrington, ND.
Steven Edwardson, Executive Administrator, North Dakota Barley Council, Fargo.

Re: **A Note of Thanks**

Dear Chairman Mueller and ladies and gentlemen of the committee,

Thank you very much for the opportunity to present to the committee on January 12, 2010 at the Northern Crops Institute in Fargo. We hope that our presentation (Co-Product Integration from Agricultural Processing: Adding Value to Feeds and Livestock) provided you with an informative update on that status of integrating various co-products generated from the many valued added processing facilities in North Dakota.

Co-product integration for the purpose of developing nutrient dense feeds (i. e. "super feeds") holds excellent potential for both the feed and livestock industries in North Dakota. This project targets: 1) scientific verification of "super feed" performance in ruminant animals to develop foundation of information necessary to secure markets for various super feeds; 2) development of novel feed products via co-product integration; 3) expansion of feed product development and livestock feeding in North Dakota for the benefit of local, regional, and state level economies.

If you have questions or need additional information, please let us know. We look forward to working with you to achieve continued progress in this effort.