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May 6, 2010

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William J. Roe
President & CEO
Coskata, Inc.
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Dear Mr. Roe:

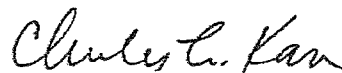
The College of Engineering at The University of Alabama is quite pleased to support Project Flagship and Coskata's plans to develop a commercial facility in rural Alabama

Having one of the largest commercial scale cellulosic ethanol facilities in the United States located less than an hour away from Tuscaloosa will have a positive effect on the students and faculty in the College of Engineering and on the entire University of Alabama community. The College of Engineering has a long history of working on energy-related issues, it has some of the leading scientists and engineers in the field on its faculty, and it has a very good working relationship with the Department of Energy. We welcome the opportunity to collaborate with you and your team, we understand the abundant biomass resources that exist in the state of Alabama, and we applaud Coskata for locating their commercial facility in Greene County, Alabama, which is in the heart of the Black Belt.

We look forward to working with Coskata, and bringing the best resources to bear in helping Coskata site many more facilities in the state, potentially collaborating on research, and providing Coskata with one of the best trained labor pools in the United States.

We are very hopeful that the U.S. Department of Agriculture will see the benefits of awarding a loan guarantee to Coskata that will help our nation achieve energy security and environmental sustainability as well as tackle some of the economic challenges that our country faces today.

Sincerely,



Charles L. Karr
Dean



NATURAL RESOURCES
MANAGEMENT & DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE
CENTER FOR BIOENERGY AND BIOPRODUCTS

May 17, 2009

William J. Roe
President & CEO
Coskata, Inc.
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RE: Support for Project Flagship USDA Loan Guarantee

Dear Mr. Roe:

It is with great pleasure that Auburn University, the Natural Resources Management & Development Institute, and its Center for Bioenergy and Bioproducts support Coskata in their application for a loan guarantee from the US Department of Agriculture to build a commercial cellulosic ethanol facility in Alabama.

The Center for Bioenergy and Bioproducts at Auburn University is heavily involved in research, education, and outreach that develops and implements systems for the production of liquid transportation fuels based on the abundant biomass resources available in Alabama. We understand the enormous potential these resources represent in terms of achieving energy independence, environmental sustainability and economic development in the region. We believe that Coskata's feedstock flexible ethanol technology can help unlock this potential.

We look forward to working with Coskata, and bringing the best resources to bear in helping Coskata site many more facilities in the state, collaborating in research, and providing Coskata with one of the best trained labor pools in the United States. Auburn University is uniquely positioned to use its faculty and facilities in disciplines such as engineering, agriculture, forestry and wildlife sciences, and business to assist Coskata as it begins commercial production of ethanol in Alabama. We are confident that our bioenergy and bioproducts research laboratories, which include extensive gasification capabilities, will be able to provide additional technological support as Coskata refines its manufacturing processes.

We strongly encourage the Department of Agriculture's selection committee to approve Coskata's application, and thereby advance a technology that will bring crucial green jobs to Alabama and contribute to overcoming our nation's energy security, sustainability, and economic challenges. We are looking forward to working with Coskata and are ready to assist you at any time.

Sincerely,

Dr. Steven E. Taylor, P.E.
Director, Center for Bioenergy and Bioproducts
Head, Department of Biosystems Engineering

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May 10, 2010

The Honorable Thomas Vilsack
Secretary, US Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20250

Dear Secretary Vilsack:

I write today to express my strong support for the application submitted by Coskata, Inc. to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the 9003 BioRefinery Assistance Loan Guarantee Program. Coskata is a business that is engaged in efforts to build their first commercial cellulosic ethanol plant in my congressional district, Alabama 7th.

Greene County in Alabama has one of the lowest per capita income levels in the United States and no major industrial jobs have been created in the Greene County area in decades. It is my understanding that this opportunity has the potential to provide over 100 direct and over 600 indirect "green" jobs to this region and also to rejuvenate the rural economy with the addition of demand for the region's plentiful woody biomass resources. I am a strong supporter of initiatives that will bring jobs and opportunities to the people of district 7 and I commend Coskata and the Greene County Industrial Development Board (GCIDB) for seizing this opportunity.

Thank you for your serious consideration of Coskata's proposal. Please contact my office if I or a member of my staff may be of further assistance, (205) 254-1960.

Sincerely,

Artur Davis
Member of Congress

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cc: Phillis Belcher, Greene County Industrial Board

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STATE OF ALABAMA

May 12, 2010

The Honorable Thomas Vilsack
Secretary of Agriculture
U.S. Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Avenue S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20250

Re: U.S. Department of Agriculture - 9003 BioRefinery Assistance Loan Guarantee

Dear Secretary Vilsack:

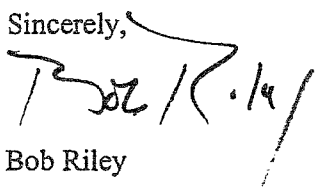
It is with great pleasure that I write in support of Coskata, a company that is planning to site their first commercial cellulosic ethanol facility in Alabama. Our state has the opportunity to be the nation's leader in converting wood biomass and residues into renewable fuel. It is my understanding that with a loan guarantee from the Department of Agriculture, Coskata would locate several facilities in Alabama.

Cellulosic ethanol pioneer Coskata took the #1 spot in the "50 Hottest Companies in Bioenergy" rankings for 2008-2009, as published in the *Biofuels Digest*. The Alabama Development Office, along with other state agencies, has been working diligently with Coskata to locate their first commercial facility in the world in Boligee, Alabama. The site location is in an economically depressed area that is a biomass rich region of the state. The details of the project are exciting -- \$300 to 400 million in capital investment, up to 750 direct and induced jobs, and nearly \$30 million of local earnings in the region.

Alabama has a major opportunity to rapidly advance a technology that will create jobs, reduce greenhouse gases, enhance our energy security and stimulate U.S. and Alabama economies in the near term. Given the impact we expect this project to have on our state and the depressed area of west Alabama, we would appreciate positive consideration by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's loan selection committee to facilitate providing a loan guarantee to Coskata.

Again, thank you for your consideration of our request to facilitate this exciting cellulosic ethanol facility in our state. We look forward to a positive outcome.

Sincerely,


Bob Riley

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-0104

May 19, 2010

The Honorable Thomas J. Vilsack
Secretary
US Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250

Dear Secretary Vilsack:

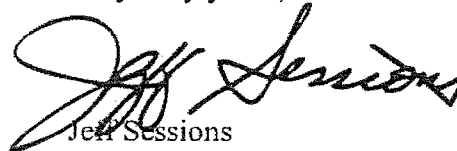
I am writing to ask for your utmost consideration of the application submitted by Coskata, Inc. to the US Department of Agriculture for the 9003 Biorefinery Assistance Program.

Coskata has informed me of its plan to establish a commercial scale cellulosic ethanol plant in the State of Alabama. This project would assist our nation in advancing our energy security and reducing greenhouse gases. I understand that the Coskata facility would be one of the largest cellulosic biofuel plants in the country and would provide as many as 750 jobs through the region of its proposed rural site.

I believe that it is in the best interest of our country to decrease our dependency on foreign energy sources by developing and enhancing new, cleaner renewable energy. Cellulosic energy will make our country more self-sufficient, economically viable and will reduce environmental pollutants that threaten our natural resources. Therefore, I urge your full consideration of this application.

If you have any questions regarding Coskata, Inc., please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



Jeff Sessions
United States Senator

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Coskata, Inc. also received a support letter from Senator Shelby. This letter was sent directly to Secretary Vilsack.

Senator Shelby's office is located at 304 Russell Senate Office Building, Washing, DC 20510. His phone number is 202-224-5744 and his e-mail address is senator@shelby.senate.gov.

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William L. Johnson
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July 16, 2010

Loula Merkel
Director of Government Affairs
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Dear Loula,

This letter is regarding the intergovernmental review requirement of Executive Order 12372. The Greene County Commission of Greene County, Alabama is supportive of Coskata's Flagship cellulosic ethanol project to be located at the Crossroads of America Industrial Port and Park. The plans for this project on this site are in line with the Commission's planning goals for the county and offer a very welcome opportunity for economic development and job growth.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William L. Johnson".

William Johnson
Chairman