

most promising technologies to determine the value proposition that is needed to interest commercial partners in the further development of bio based production of fuels, chemicals, and materials. Approximately, \$150,000 is for salaries; \$150,000 is for materials and supplies; and \$84,000 is for equipment purchases and travel costs.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$346,000 for fire blight research to be shared by Michigan State University in East Lansing Michigan and Cornell University in New York. Approximately, \$184,000 is for the salaries of laboratory and \$162,000 for field research personnel and for materials and supplies at Michigan State University. The remaining funds will be allocated to Cornell University in New York. Researchers at both universities will collaborate on findings. Michigan State University has obtained funding from the State of Michigan, Michigan Apple Committee and industry sources and will continue to fund the fire blight research at MSU at a level of \$112,000 in FY10.

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Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding for \$104,000 for research of Armillaria Root Rot. Approximately, \$70,000 is for the salaries of laboratory researchers; \$13,000 is for operating costs; \$1000 is for travel to field sites; and \$20,000 is for equipment necessary.

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Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$246,000 for research of Bovine Tuberculosis. Approximately, \$174,000 is for Salaries and support for 3 graduate students; \$60,000 is for Laboratory supplies; and \$12,000 for research related travel. Michigan State University will provide \$127,500 in-kind funding.

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Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$147,000 to improve fruit practices for sugar beets and dry beans. Approximately, \$100,000 is for salaries and expenses and \$47,000 is for lab maintenance and equipment. In addition to the federal funds provided by this grant, this research is supported by personnel, equipment, and facilities funded by the Michigan agricultural Experiment Station and Michigan State University Extension.

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Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$266,000 to enhance the environmental sustainability of food and agricultural systems under research at Michigan State University. Michigan State University expects to leverage at least \$150,000 in state, local, and private funds to expand the impacts of the special grant. Approximately, \$285,000 is for salaries of 11 researchers; \$15,000 is for travel expenses; \$10,000 is for farmer stipends; \$25,000 is for materials and supplies; and \$81,000 is for communication and outreach.

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Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$4,545,000 for wood utilization research with Michigan's share being \$728,545. The requested funds will be used for salaries of key personal and graduate students. Grant funds will also be used to purchase equipment, materials and supplies needed. Michigan State University provides in excess of \$500,000 in support of this project annually through use of lab space, equipment, and personnel assigned to the project.

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Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$346,000 for Phytophthora Capsici Research to reduce the loss experienced by Michigan vegetable growers from this disease. Approximately \$100,000 will be to fund graduate and undergraduate students and technical staff. \$246,000 will be for research, travel and equipment purchases.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN BOOZMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. BOOZMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as a part of H.R. 2997, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Rural cooperative development grants

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas (ATTRA)

Address of Requesting Entity: 207 W. Center St., P.O. Box 3657, Fayetteville, AR 72702

Description of Request: The funding would be used for the national sustainable agriculture information service, to offer technical information and assistance to farmers, ranchers and agricultural information providers

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Rural-Business Cooperative Service

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture

Address of Requesting Entity: 207 E212 AFLS Building, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description of Request: The funding would be used for the continuation of University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture Endophyte Research programs

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Salaries and expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: National Agricultural Law Center, University of Arkansas School of Law

Address of Requesting Entity: 107 Waterman Hall, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description of Request: The funding would be used to provide a leading source of objective, scholarly, and authoritative agricultural and food law research and information

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: SRG

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Animal Science Food Safety Consortium, University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture

Address of Requesting Entity: E212 AFLS Building, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description of Request: the funding would be used for the continuation of Animal Science and Food Safety Consortium programs

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: SRG Legal

Name of Requesting Entity: National Consortium for Rural Geospatial Innovations in America, RGIS—Mid-South Center for Advanced Spatial Technologies

Address of Requesting Entity: JBHT 304, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description of Request: The funding would be used for the continuation of University of Arkansas participation in the National Consortium for Rural Geospatial Innovations in America (RGIS)

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: SRG

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Institute of Food Science and Engineering, University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture

Address of Requesting Entity: E212 AFLS Building, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description of Request: the funding would be used to provide multidisciplinary research on value-added processing, safety, nutritional value, packaging, storage, and distribution of food products

HONORING THE LIFETIME
ACHIEVEMENTS OF SISTER
ALINE ANTIL

HON. BILL DELAHUNT

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. DELAHUNT. Madam Speaker, I rise today so that my colleagues in the House of Representatives can join me in recognizing the distinguished and selflessly dedicated contributions of Sister Aline Antil, a native daughter of New Bedford, Massachusetts.

In February of 1959, Ms. Antil first entered the Congregation of the Holy Cross, a spiritual decision that would shape not only her life but those of the countless women, children, and families whom she has touched through her missionary work. Across New England—in North Grosvenordale, Connecticut; in West Franklin, New Hampshire; and in Springfield, Massachusetts—Sister Aline used her infectious positive attitude and love of learning to instill her elementary- and middle-school-aged pupils with wisdom, knowledge, and the highest moral values.

For the past 37 years, Sister Aline has served in various parts of Haiti, a country whose population depends upon the humanitarian efforts of those compassionate enough to answer the calling. Most recently, she served as principal of Ecole Presbyterale de Fleurenceau, St. Marc, a position she has held in other locations. In a country where most Americans would find conditions appalling, Sister Aline Antil has never looked down on her students with pity. Rather, she has treated them as equals and taken great pride in the opportunity to help them learn, grow, and understand their valuable role in the world.

Sister Aline speaks fluent French, English, and of course, Creole, the native tongue of the people with whom she lives and works. Those who know her well—her family and peers—will tell you that no matter where she is in a room, you'll know her by her laughter. Her optimism and enthusiastic love of life know no bounds, a trait that has allowed her to thrive and brought her comfort under trying circumstances that most of us can only imagine.

As she celebrates her 50th Jubilee this week, Sister Aline Antil deserves the highest

praise and recognition for the difference she has made in lives both young and old. Her charitable example is a story of hope, love, and inspiration at a time when we all need it. Thank you, Sister Aline Antil, for your exemplary work. I wish you health, happiness, and all good things in the years to come.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. KING of Iowa. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2997, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE KING

Bill Number H.R. 2997, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Natural Resources Conservation Service, Conservation Operations

Amount: \$288,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Iowa Soybean Assn.

Address of Requesting Entity: 4554 114th St., Urbandale, IA 50322

Description of Request: The public now demands from crop producers both increased production of food, fiber, fuel, and other biobased product feedstocks and increased, documented environmental performance to conserve soils, sequester carbon, improve water quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve energy efficiency and increase wildlife habitat. As independent business persons, farmers in the Upper Mississippi River Basin and across the country need management systems to help them incorporate the best tools of science and business to measure and improve both agronomic and environmental performance while sustaining profitability.

The Iowa Soybean Association's Certified Environmental Management Systems for Agriculture (CEMSA) program has developed and piloted the basic management system and the technical assistance model producers in Iowa, the UMR Basin, and other agricultural regions need to meet these 21st Century demands. Expanding the scale of CEMSA in FY10, integrating individual planning with watershed planning, linking performance reporting to NRCS's system, and documenting and providing aggregated performance data to the soy biodiesel and corn ethanol industry on advances in agriculture's environmental performance and energy efficiency have significant implications in transferability of CEMSA throughout the UMR Basin and in the future of the farm-belt biofuels industry. It benefits farmers by preparing them for participation in USDA conservation programs, helping them improve profitability through better management, helps them effectively implement and evaluate the impact on their business of conservation strategies they hold as top priorities, and verifies their success in achieving environmental and energy efficiency performance gains.

CEMSA is also providing national leadership for advancing production agriculture's environmental performance. It is one of the ISA programs recognized by the National Academy of Sciences National Research Council's study on "Mississippi River Water Quality and the Clean Water Act" as exemplary of the performance-based, public-private partnership projects that should be expanded throughout the UMR Basin.

CEMSA's private sector partnership with a public agency (USDA NRCS) has a positive impact on the agency's ability to fulfill its mission. This multi-year cooperative agreement has facilitated a strong working relationship which helps diffuse private sector innovation in the local, state, and federal offices and expands agency outreach through ISA's multi-level outreach to farmers. This public-private partnership designed specifically for ISA's programs enables flexibility the agency would not have on its own to create resource-centric planning and implementation, rather than program-centric approaches to resources. It has created an effective way to deal with institutional barriers that often hinder effective program implementation, which can best be done by the private sector working with agencies, but is not otherwise supported by the market or by program funding.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE KING

Bill Number H.R. 2997, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Natural Resources Conservation Service, Conservation Operations

Amount: \$282,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Hungry Canyons Alliance

Address of Requesting Entity: 712 S. Hwy 6 & 59, Oakland, IA 51560

Description of Request: The goals of Hungry Canyons Alliance are: 1) To provide financial and technical assistance for streambed stabilization projects to the 23 counties of the deep loess region in western Iowa, 2) To conduct research in effective methods of streambed stabilization, and 3) To provide demonstration of streambed stabilization projects for members and for the public. With an estimated construction budget of \$1,243,900 for FY10, the HCA will build approximately 18 grade control structures to prevent streambed degradation in western Iowa, protecting \$5.27 million in infrastructure and property value and preventing 1.2 million tons of sediment from erosion.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE KING

Bill Number H.R. 2997, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Natural Resources Conservation Service, Conservation Operations

Amount: \$134,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Iowa Soybean Assn.

Address of Requesting Entity: 4554 114th St., Urbandale, IA 50322

Description of Request: The Iowa Soybean Association's Watershed Management and Demonstration Program is a continuing project that links public and private resources and expertise to provide technical assistance to individual farmers, groups of farmers, and other