

RE-2 Employee Post Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

Date/Time Stamp

Post Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within **30 days** of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building. **This form is a public disclosure. The form and all attachments will be made publicly available.**

Certification: *In compliance with the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel, Senate Rule 35, and the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007, I certify that I accepted the following gift of privately sponsored travel:*

Private Sponsor(s):

Iowa Renewable Fuels Association, CI

Travel Dates:

Aug. 14-17, 2023

Name of accompanying family member (if any):

N/A

Relationship to Traveler:**Total Expenses**

Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meals Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
\$694.48 (inc. taxes/fees) CI	\$403.58 (inc. taxes) CI	\$151.81 (inc. taxes) CI	\$11 (Ticket dto dinner at Iowa State) CI

I also certify that attached to this form are all required documents for post travel disclosure, including:

- The final **Employee Pre-Travel Authorization** (Form RE-1)
- The final **Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form** with all attachments
- The final invitation
- The final approved itinerary

Finally, I certify that all trip information reflected in the attachments above accurately reflects the travel that I accepted. If there were any changes to the trip after I received approval from the Committee, the changes are described in ATTACHMENT 1.

8/31/23

Date

Emma Keiser

Printed Name of Traveler

Emma Keiser

Signature of Traveler

Digitally signed by Emma Keiser
Date: 2023.08.31 11:03:36
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TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the Employee Pre-Travel Authorization form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

9/5/2023

Date

Joni K. Ernst
Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

RE-1 Employee Pre-Travel Authorization

Date/Time Stamp

Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the **Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220**. Incomplete and late travel submissions will **not** be considered or approved.

Name of Traveler:

Emma Keiser

Employing Office/Committee:

Senator Joni Ernst

Private Sponsor(s):

Iowa Renewable Fuels Association, Renew 

Destination(s):

Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Ma 

Travel Dates:

August 14-17, 2023

NOTE: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you **must** notify the Committee.

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties.

This tour will enhance first-hand knowledge of agriculture, energy, and environmental issues by touring corn ethanol and biodiesel production facilities, family farms, livestock producers, manufacturing facilities, and research centers; and meeting with local, state, and national experts to discuss ag and renewable fuels operations and policies.

Do you have an accompanying family member or spouse on this trip?

Name and Relationship to Traveler:

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(signify "yes" by checking box)

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

8/10/23

Date

Emma Keiser

Signature of Employee

Digitally signed by Emma Keiser
Date: 2023.08.10 09:41:18 -04'00'

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER

(President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms,
Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain)

Senator Joni Ernst

Emma Keiser

I _____ hereby authorize _____
(Print Senator's/Officer's Name)

(Print Traveler's Name)

an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for private gain.

I have also determined that the attendance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate.

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(signify "yes" by checking box)

8/10/23

Date

Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer



Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Iowa Renewable Fuels Association

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

☐

Private Foundation

☐

Public Charity

Address:

5505 NW 88th Street

City, State, Zip:

Johnston, IA 50131

Phone Number:

515-252-6249

Organization URL:

www.iowaRFA.org

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Iowa Renewable Fuels Association has hosted each of the past 13 years' Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tours, covering 2009 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Iowa Renewable Fuels Association hosts educational programs for their members and the public. These activities range from hosting/attending public events, to speaking to school and civic groups, to interfacing with consumers directly at fueling stations. The central focus of these activities is to increase awareness of the benefits of using renewable fuels.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status (Select one):

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I certify that the sponsor is not a federally registered lobbyist and does not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist.

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Foreign Agent Registration Status (Select one):

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Foreign Government Involvement

Foreign Agent Registration Status (Must select all):

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I certify that the sponsor is not a foreign government.

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I certify that the sponsor is not an entity that is owned or operated by a foreign government.

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I certify that the sponsor does not receive funding from a foreign government.

Purpose and Details

Provide a brief description of the trip.

To enhance first-hand knowledge of agriculture, energy, and environmental issues by touring corn ethanol and biodiesel production facilities, family farms, livestock producers, manufacturing facilities, and research centers; and meeting with local, state, and national experts to discuss ag and renewable fuels operations and policies.

Explain how the purpose of the trip relates to your organization's mission.

Iowa Renewable Fuels Association brings together Iowa ethanol and biodiesel producers to foster the development and growth of the state's renewable fuels industry through education, promotion, infrastructure development, and public policy. Because it educates Congressional and Administration staff on renewable fuels, the Tour furthers its efforts to create a positive policy environment for the industry.

Is your organization the only sponsor for this trip?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If No, describe your organization's role in planning the trip.

Iowa Renewable Fuels Association is the primary sponsor. It was collected funds from other sponsors and will pay all bills. It worked with other sponsors to create an invite list and was responsible for issuing the formal invitations to staff. IRFA helped plan the agenda for the tour and will serve as host/presenter on the tour.

If there are multiple sponsors, each sponsor must submit Organization Information (Page 1 of the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form) and a Signature Page Form.

Grantmaking Organizations (Optional)

If you have a Grantmaking Organization, you must attach a Grantmaking Organization Certification Form.

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With or Without Regard to Congressional Participation (Select one):

- ☐ The trip is arranged or organized without regard to congressional participation.
- ☒ The trip is arranged or organized with regard to congressional participation.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Involvement in Planning, Organizing, Requesting or Arranging

- ☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal, other than de minimis involvement.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Financing (Must select all):

- ☒ The trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
- ☒ No funds or in-kind contributions were earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Accompaniment**Complete if all sponsors are §501(c)(3) organizations (Select one):**

- ☐ The trip is limited to three days (for trips inside the continental United States) or seven days (for trips outside the continental United States), and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip
- ☐ The trip is limited to a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip
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Complete if any of the sponsors is not a §501(c)(3) organizations (Select one):

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Certification of No Recreational Activity and No Alcohol (Must select all):

- ☒ Travel expenses paid for will not include expenditures for recreational activities.
- ☒ Travel expenses paid for will not include expenditures for alcohol, except as permitted by the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel.

Will members and staff from the House of Representatives receive invitations?

- ☒ Yes ☐ No

Travel Details (Submit additional pages as needed)

Trip Start Date/Time:
August 14, 2023



Trip End Date/Time:
August 17, 2023

Will the traveler be accompanied by a family member for whom the sponsor will pay travel expenses?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Transportation (Member/Officer/Employee: \$⁷⁵⁰ Accompanying Family Member: \$^{NA})

Transportation Type	Class	Amount
Airfare	coach	650
Motor Coach	coach	100
Details (optional) costs are estimates		

Lodging (Member/Officer/Employee: \$³⁵⁷ Accompanying Family Member: \$^{NA})

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country
8/14/23	8/15/23	Prairie Meadows Hotel	Altoona	Iowa	USA
Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No)	If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.		
1	\$111	No			

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country
8/15/23	8/16/23	Holiday Inn Express	Mason City	IA	USA
Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No)	If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.		
1	\$98	no			

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country
8/16/23	8/17/23	Hyatt Regency	Bloomington	MN	USA
Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No)	If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.		
1	\$148	no			

Meals (Member/Officer/Employee: \$¹⁴⁸ Accompanying Family Member: \$^{NA})

Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals	Total	City	State	Country	Cost Exceeds Per Diem (Y/N)
8/14/23	NA	\$13	\$11		\$24	Des Moines	IA	USA	N
8/15/23	\$6	\$27	\$15		\$48	Des Moines/Ames/I	IA	USA	N
8/16/23	\$0	\$14	\$50		\$64	Albert Lea/Minneap	MN	USA	N
8/17/23	\$12	NA	NA		\$12	Minneapolis	MN	USA	N

If costs exceed the federal per diem, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.

Reasonable Miscellaneous Expenses

(Member/Officer/Employee: \$¹¹ Accompanying Family Member: \$^{NA})

Expense Type	Amount	Notes
State Fair entry ticket	\$11	see below

Additional Details (optional)

Entry fee for fairgrounds at Iowa State Fair. Fee does not provide access to recreational elements of the Fair.

PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL

SPONSOR SIGNATURE PAGE

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Travel Date(s): August 14 - August 17, 2023

Travel Destination(s): Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City (in Iowa)

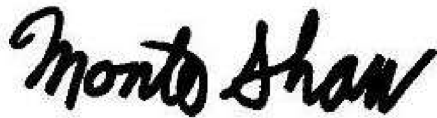
Sponsor: Iowa Renewable Fuels Association

Monte Shaw

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Executive Director

(title)



(signature of sponsor representative)

7/6/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Biodiesel Coalition of Missouri

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

☐

Private Foundation

☐

Public Charity

Address:

743 S. Country Club Drive

City, State, Zip:

Jefferson City, MO 65109

Phone Number:

(573) 635-3819

Organization URL:

<https://www.missouribiodiesel.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

A new sponsor in 2023, have not sponsored the Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour in the past.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Provides biodiesel education to farmers, distributors, retailers, and other end-users with hands-on education on storing and handling biodiesel.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status (Select one):

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Foreign Agent Registration Status (Select one):

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Foreign Government Involvement

Foreign Agent Registration Status (Must select all):

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I certify that the sponsor does not receive funding from a foreign government.

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Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Biodiesel Coalition of Missouri

Matt Amick
(printed name of sponsor representative)

Executive Director
(title)


(signature of sponsor representative)

07/06/23
(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



Yes



No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:



Private Foundation



Public Charity

Address:

605 Clark Ave.

Phone Number:

(573) 635-3893

City, State, Zip:

Jefferson City, MO 65101

Organization URL:

<https://cleanfuels.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Have occasionally hosted congressional briefings, including each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2011 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Develops and supports education and research projects consistent with the needs of the biodiesel industry.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status (Select one):



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Foreign Government Involvement

Foreign Agent Registration Status (Must select all):



I certify that the sponsor is not a foreign government.



I certify that the sponsor is not an entity that is owned or operated by a foreign government.



I certify that the sponsor does not receive funding from a foreign government.

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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023
Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation

Tom Verry
(printed name of sponsor representative)

Director of Outreach and Deve
(title)


(signature of sponsor representative)

07/06/23
(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Farm Credit Services

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

☐

Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

5015 South 118th Street

City, State, Zip:

Omaha, NE 68137

Phone Number:

(402) 210-8071

Organization URL:

https://www.fcsamerica.com/?utm_medium=cpc

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Sponsored each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2016 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Conducts a community involvement program, which provides funding and resources to a variety of organizations that support agricultural causes. The program is focused on making a positive difference in the communities they serve.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023

Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:

Sponsor: Farm Credit Services of America

Amy S Bailey

(printed name of sponsor representative)



(signature of sponsor representative)

Senior Vice President

(title)

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Indiana Corn Marketing Council

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



Yes



No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:



Private Foundation



Public Charity

Address:

8425 Keystone Crossing, Suite 200

City, State, Zip:

Indianapolis, IN 46240

Phone Number:

(317) 347-3620

Organization URL:

<https://incornandsoy.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Are new sponsors in 2023 and have not sponsored the Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour in the past.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Conduct many activities to educate consumers and the public on corn issues. Activities would include hosting or speaking at public events, making presentations to school or civic organizations, participating in public workshops, and advertising about the many benefits of corn-based products.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status (Select one):



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Sponsor: Indiana Corn Marketing Council

Chantel Rammel
(printed name of sponsor representative)

COO
(title)

Chantel M. Rammel
(signature of sponsor representative)

07/06/23
(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Iowa Biodiesel Board

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



Yes



No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

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Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

1255 SW Prairie Trail Parkway

City, State, Zip:

Ankeny, IA 50023

Phone Number:

(515) 334-1024

Organization URL:

<https://www.iowabiodiesel.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Have occasionally hosted congressional briefings, including each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2013 to 2023.

Educational Activities

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Host educational programs for their members and the public. These activities range from hosting/attending public events, to speaking to school and civic groups, to interfacing with consumers directly at fueling stations. The central focus of these activities is to increase awareness of the benefits of using renewable fuels.

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Sponsor: Iowa Biodiesel Board

Grant Kimberly

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Executive Director

(title)



(signature of sponsor representative)

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Iowa Biotechnology Association

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

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Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

900 Des Moines St.

City, State, Zip:

Des Moines, IA 50309

Phone Number:

(515) 327-9156

Organization URL:

<https://www.iowabio.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Sponsored each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2017 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

host events and forums to discuss biotechnology and how biofuels are a growing part of this new industry.

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Sponsor: Iowa Biotechnology Association

Jessica Hyland

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Executive Director

(title)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Iowa Corn Growers Association

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

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Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

5505 NW 88th Street

City, State, Zip:

Johnson, IA 50131

Phone Number:

(515) 225-9242

Organization URL:

<https://www.iowacorn.org/iowa-corn-home/>

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Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour
Travel Date(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Travel Destination(s): August 14-17, 2023
Sponsor: Iowa Corn Growers Association

Craig Floss

(printed name of sponsor representative)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

Chief Executive Officer

(title)

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Iowa Soybean Association

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:



Private Foundation



Public Charity

Address:

1255 SW Prairie Trail Parkway

City, State, Zip:

Ankeny, IA 50023

Phone Number:

(515) 334-1015

Organization URL:

<https://www.iasoybeans.com/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Have occasionally hosted congressional briefings, including each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2013 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Organizes many activities to educate consumers and the public on soybean issues. Activities would include hosting or speaking at public events, making presentations to school or civic organizations, participating in public workshops, and advertising about the many benefits of soy-based products.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status (Select one):



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Foreign Agent Registration Status (Select one):



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Foreign Government Involvement

Foreign Agent Registration Status (Must select all):



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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023
Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Iowa Soybean Association

Kirk Leeds

(printed name of sponsor representative)

CEO

(title)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Kansas Corn Growers Association

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

☐

Private Foundation

☐

Public Charity

Address:

1680 Charles Place #200

City, State, Zip:

Manhattan, KS 66502

Phone Number:

(316) 213-6610

Organization URL:

<https://kscorn.com/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Sponsored each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2017 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Conduct many activities to educate consumers and the public on corn issues. Activities would include hosting or speaking at public events, making presentations to school or civic organizations, participating in public workshops, and advertising about the many benefits of corn-based products.

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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023
Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Kansas Corn Growers Association

Josh Roe

(printed name of sponsor representative)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

Executive Director

(title)

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Kansas Soybean Commission

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

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Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

1000 SW Red Oaks Place

City, State, Zip:

Topeka, KS 66615

Phone Number:

(785) 271-1030

Organization URL:

<https://kansassoybeans.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Has occasionally hosted congressional briefings, including each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2014 to 2023.

Educational Activities

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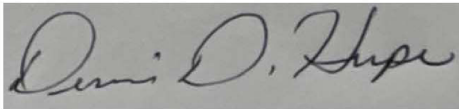
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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023
Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Kansas Soybean Commission

Dennis Hupe

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Director of Field Services

(title)



(signature of sponsor representative)

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Minnesota Biofuels Association

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

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Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

3033 Excelsior Blvd, Ste. 208

City, State, Zip:

Minneapolis, MN 55416

Phone Number:

(612) 888-9138

Organization URL:

<https://www.mnbiofuels.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Are new sponsors in 2023 and have not sponsored the Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour in the past.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Promotes the benefits of biofuels among consumers and working closely with state agricultural educators.

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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023
Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Minnesota Biofuels Association

Brian Werner

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Director of Biofuels

(title)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Missouri Corn Growers

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

☐

Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

3118 Emerald Lane

City, State, Zip:

Jefferson City, MO 65109

Phone Number:

(800) 827-4181

Organization URL:

<https://mocorn.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Has occasionally hosted congressional briefings, including each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2014 to 2023.

Educational Activities

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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023
Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Missouri Corn Growers

Bradley Schad
(printed name of sponsor representative)

CEO
(title)


(signature of sponsor representative)

07/06/23
(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Nebraska Corn Board

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

☐

Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

245 Fallbrook Blvd, Ste 204

City, State, Zip:

Lincoln, NE 68521

Phone Number:

(402) 471-2676

Organization URL:

<https://nebraskacorn.gov/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Sponsored each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2017 to 2023.

Educational Activities

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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023
Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Nebraska Corn Board

Kelly Brunkhorst
(printed name of sponsor representative)

Executive Director
(title)


(signature of sponsor representative)

07/06/23
(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

North Dakota Ethanol Council

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



Yes



No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

☐

Private Foundation

☐

Public Charity

Address:

PO Box 1091

Phone Number:

(701) 355-4458

City, State, Zip:

Bismarck, ND 58502

Organization URL:

<https://www.ndethanol.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Have sponsored each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2015 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Host educational programs for their members and the public. These activities range from hosting/attending public events, to speaking to school and civic groups, to interfacing with consumers directly at fueling stations. The central focus of these activities is to increase awareness of the benefits of using renewable fuels.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

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Foreign Government Involvement

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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023
Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: North Dakota Ethanol Council

Deana Wiese

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Executive Director

(title)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Renew Kansas

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

☐

Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

816 SW Tyler, Ste 100

City, State, Zip:

Topeka, KS 66611

Phone Number:

(785) 234-0461

Organization URL:

<https://renewkansas.com/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Have sponsored each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2015 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

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Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

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Sponsor: Renew Kansas

Ron Seeber

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Vice President

(title)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Renewable Fuels Foundation

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



Yes



No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:



Private Foundation



Public Charity

Address:

16024 Manchester Rd Suite 101

City, State, Zip:

Ellisville, MO 63011

Phone Number:

(202) 289-3835

Organization URL:

<https://ethanolrfa.org/about/foundation>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Have hosted each of the past 12 years' Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tours, covering 2009 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

Develops K-12 science curriculum on ethanol and sponsors scholarships.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status (Select one):



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Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023

Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:

Sponsor: Renewable Fuels Foundation

Bill Pracht

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Chairman

(title)



(signature of sponsor representative)

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Renewable Fuels Nebraska

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



Yes



No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

☐

Private Foundation

☐

Public Charity

Address:

1327 H St STE 103

City, State, Zip:

Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone Number:

(402) 325-0045

Organization URL:

<https://www.renewablefuelsne.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Sponsored each Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from 2016 to 2023.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

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Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

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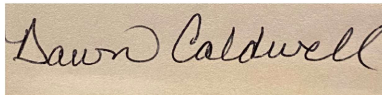
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Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Renewable Fuels Nebraska

Dawn Caldwell

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Executive Director

(title)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

07/06/23

(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

South Dakota Ethanol Producers Assoc

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?



Yes



No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:



Private Foundation



Public Charity

Address:

4615 N Lewis Ave

City, State, Zip:

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Phone Number:

(605) 299-9638

Organization URL:

<https://sdethanol.com/>

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

Are new sponsors in 2023 and have not sponsored the Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour in the past.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

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Sponsor: South Dakota Ethanol Producers Association

Doug Berven
(printed name of sponsor representative)

Executive Director
(title)


(signature of sponsor representative)

07/06/23
(date)

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Wisconsin Bio-Fuels

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

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Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

16 North Carroll St, Suite 600

City, State, Zip:

Madison, WI 53703

Phone Number:

(608) 819-0150

Organization URL:

<https://wibiofuels.org/>

History of Congressional Travel

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Educational Activities

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I certify that the sponsor does not receive funding from a foreign government.

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I hereby certify that the information submitted in connection with the trip listed below is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Trip Name: 2023 Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour
Travel Date(s): August 14-17, 2023
Travel Destination(s): IA: Des Moines, Ames, Nevada, Hampton, Mason City, MN:
Sponsor: Wisconsin Bio-Fuels

Bob Welch

(printed name of sponsor representative)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

Executive Director

(title)

07/06/23

(date)

14th Annual Biofuels Science and Sustainability Tour

14th Annual Biofuels Science and Sustainability Tour Agenda August 14 – 17, 2023

Monday, August 14

- 11:53 am Arrive Des Moines airport via American Airlines Flight #4481
Met by bus.
- 12:30 pm Depart for hotel
1 Prairie Meadows Dr, Altoona, IA 50009
- 1:00 pm Arrive Prairie Meadows hotel
- 1:30-3:00pm **Lunch and Learn- Tour Introduction**
Topic: IRFA Executive Director Monte Shaw will present about the Iowa biofuels industry and will give tour participants a brief overview of what to expect on the tour.
- 3:00 pm Depart hotel for Magellan Midstream Partners
2503 SE 43rd St, Pleasant Hill, IA 50327
- 3:30-5:00 pm **Tour Magellan Midstream Partners fuel terminal**
Topic: Participants will learn how fuel is distributed through the country via pipelines and then blended with biofuels prior to distribution to local fuel retail stations.
- 5:00 pm Depart Magellan for Iowa State Fair
2941 Dean Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50317
- 5:30-6:15 pm **Dinner and Discussion - Iowa State Fair**
Cattlemen's Beef Headquarters
Topics: Iowa FFA (high school and college students – formerly known as Future Farmers of America) leaders will discuss their hopes for the future of agriculture and the role that biofuels can play.
- 6:15-8:30 pm **Tour Iowa State Fair Agriculture and Renewable Fuels Exhibits**
Topics: Attendees will tour state fair exhibits on agriculture and renewable energy to obtain information about new technologies in these industries and to better understand regulatory issues facing the industries.
- 8:30 pm Depart fair for hotel

Overnight Prairie Meadows Hotel
1 Prairie Meadows Drive
Altoona, IA 50009

Tuesday, Aug. 15

7:00 am Coffee and breakfast in the lobby

8:00 am Depart for Iowa State University (ISU) Sustainable Advanced Bioeconomy Research (SABR) Farm
1475 Y Avenue, Ames, IA

8:45-10:00am **Tour ISU Sustainable Advanced Bioeconomy Research (SABR) Farm**
Topic: Led by Dr. Marshall McDaniel and Dr. Andy VanLoocke, attendees will tour this research facility and learn about the latest agricultural advancements in sustainable energy crops for biofuels and bioproducts.

10:00 am Depart for ISU BioCentury Research Farm
1327 U Ave, Boone, Iowa 50036

10:15-11:30 am **Tour of ISU BioCentury Research Farm**
Topics: Led by Andy Suby, attendees will tour the state-of-the-art research facility to witness the latest pre-commercial research on enzymatic and thermo-chemical biofuels production as well as pre-treatment of various feedstocks.

11:30 am Depart for Hickory Park Restaurant
1404 S Duff Ave, Ames, IA 50010

11:45am-12:45pm **Lunch and Learn**
Topics: Monte Shaw, joined by Tour sponsors (Dennis Hupe, Dawn Caldwell, Kevin Studer, Helena Jette and Bob Welch) will lead a discussion on the importance of new uses for biofuels, focusing on higher blends in the near term and new markets (like sustainable aviation fuels, marine applications, home heating, etc.) in the longer term. They will also answer questions from Tour participants.

12:45 pm Depart lunch for VERBIO
59219 Lincoln Hwy, Nevada, IA 50201

1:00-2:00 pm **Tour of VERBIO** (renewable natural gas plant)
Topics: Plant manager Greg Faith will provide a brief overview the plant and how the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) and carbon policy impact Renewable Natural Gas (RNG).

2:00 pm Depart for Couser Cattle Company
19568 620th Ave, Nevada, IA

- 2:15-3:15 pm **Tour Couser Cattle Company**
Topics: Bill Couser will discuss advancements in modern livestock production that allow for more humane, sustainable, and efficient small and local beef operations. He will also discuss how biofuels feed coproducts make livestock production more cost effective.
- 3:15 pm Depart Couser Cattle for Hemmes Family Farm
879 Mallard Ave. Hampton, IA
- 4:30-6:30 pm **Tour Hemmes Family Farm**
Topics: Led by April Hemmes, participants will learn about the latest seed technology and agronomic practices for corn and soybeans, witness advances in precision farming equipment and discuss how biofuels, environmental and trade policy impact family farm operations.
- 6:30-8:00 pm **Dinner and Discussion with Area Farmers**
(same location, no break)
Topics: Tour participants will be joined by a group of multi-generational area farmers to discuss topics ranging from trade to energy and environmental policy, to advances in farming practices.
- 8:00 pm Depart farm for Holiday Inn Express hotel
- 9:00 pm Arrive hotel
- Overnight Holiday Inn Express
3041 4th St. SW
Mason City, IA 50401

Wednesday, Aug. 16

- 7:30 am Coffee and breakfast in lobby (provided by hotel as part of room cost)
- 8:30 am Depart hotel for Chevron REG
4172 19th St SW, Mason City, IA 50401
- 9:00-10:30 am **Tour Chevron REG – Mason City** (biodiesel plant)
Topics: Tours led by Ezra Finkin. Participants will see first-hand the improvements in the biodiesel production process, advancements in efficiency, the ability to utilize multiple feedstocks and tour of plant.
- 10:30-11:00 am **Biodiesel Policy Update**
(same location, no break)
Topics: Paul Winters, Clean Fuels Alliance America Director of Public Affairs and Federal Communications, will discuss the environmental and carbon benefits that biodiesel and renewable diesel are delivering today as well as the significant health care benefits and cost savings for communities that switch to biodiesel.

11:00 am Depart Chevron REG for “112 on Broadway”
112 S Broadway Ave, Albert Lea, MN 56007

Noon-1:00 pm **Lunch and Learn**
Topics: Minnesota Biofuels Association executive director Brian Werner will welcome the Tour to Minnesota and provide a history and overview of the biofuels industry in the state. He will also answer questions from Tour participants.

1:00 pm Depart lunch for Guardian Energy
4745 380th Ave, Janesville, MN 56048

2:00-3:30 pm **Tour Guardian Energy** (ethanol plant)
Topic: Plant manager Ben Stover will review the ethanol production process, advancements in efficiencies, and lead a tour of the plant.

3:30-4:00 pm **Ethanol Policy Update**
(same location, no break)
Topic: Robert White, Renewable Fuels Association Vice President of Industry Relations will discuss the Renewable Fuel Standard, exports, octane, low carbon markets, and everything ethanol.

4:00 pm Depart Guardian for Hennen’s Minnoco
807 1st Ave E, Shakopee, MN 55379

5:15-6:15 pm **Tour Hennen’s Minnoco** – fuel retailer
Topics: Joel Hennen will discuss why they offer various biofuel blends (E15, E85, and biodiesel), the necessary equipment, and customer acceptance. Participants will see blender pumps and other fuel dispensing equipment.

6:15 pm Depart Hennen’s for Brit’s Pub and Eating Establishment
1110 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55403

6:45-8:00 pm **Dinner and Discussion** – Congressional Roundtable
Topics: IRFA’s Monte Shaw moderates a Congressional Staff Roundtable where the latest policy updates on the RFS, energy, tax and trade policy will be discussed.

8:00 pm Depart for hotel

Overnight Hyatt Regency
3200 East 81st Street
Bloomington, MN 55425

Thursday, Aug. 17

8:15 am Depart hotel for Minneapolis airport

8:30 am Arrive airport. Go through security

9:00-10:00 am **Eggs and Issues**

Topic 1: Steve Dietz with Renewable Products Marketing Group will provide an overview of current domestic and export biofuels markets, and review emerging new trends.

Topic 2: Jeff Davidman with Delta Airlines and Kent Hartwig with Gevo will provide a 30,000 foot overview of the emerging Sustainable Aviation Fuel market

10:37 am Depart Minneapolis for DCA via Delta Airlines flight #2436



ATTACHMENT 1 – CHANGES FROM APPROVED PRE-TRAVEL

Note: Material changes to a trip that occur after the Committee has issued an approval letter may invalidate the Committee's approval. Please contact the Committee with any questions regarding changes to an approved trip.

Were there any changes to the pre-approved travel expenses? (Transportation, Meals, Lodging, Other)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Expense Change	Revised Amount	Explanation

Were there any changes to the pre-approved itinerary?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Explanation:

Were there any additional changes to the pre-approved trip?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Explanation:

RE-2 Employee Post Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

Date/Time Stamp

Post Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within **30 days** of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building. **This form is a public disclosure. The form and all attachments will be made publicly available.**

Certification: *In compliance with the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel, Senate Rule 35, and the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007, I certify that I accepted the following gift of privately sponsored travel:*

Private Sponsor(s):

Iowa Renewable Fuels Association, CI

Travel Dates:

Aug. 14-17, 2023

Name of accompanying family member (if any):

N/A

Relationship to Traveler:

Total Expenses

Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meals Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
\$694.48 (inc. taxes/fees) CI	\$403.58 (inc. taxes) CI	\$151.81 (inc. taxes) CI	\$11 (Ticket dto dinner at Iowa State) CI

I also certify that attached to this form are all required documents for post travel disclosure, including:

- The final **Employee Pre-Travel Authorization** (Form RE-1)
- The final **Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form** with all attachments
- The final invitation
- The final approved itinerary

Finally, I certify that all trip information reflected in the attachments above accurately reflects the travel that I accepted. If there were any changes to the trip after I received approval from the Committee, the changes are described in ATTACHMENT 1.

8/31/23

Emma Keiser

Date

Printed Name of Traveler

Signature of Traveler

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the Employee Pre-Travel Authorization form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

Date

Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

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Explanation:

14th Annual Biofuels Science and Sustainability Tour

Dear Emma Keiser,

On behalf of the Iowa Renewable Fuels Association, you are cordially invited to participate in the **14th Annual Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour from August 14-17, 2023**, taking place in Iowa and Minnesota. This privately-sponsored tour has been organized to provide congressional staff and agency representatives an opportunity to learn about the biofuels industry and research community. The Midwest leads the nation in responding to the many challenges and opportunities in renewable energy and agriculture.

This event will include:

- Hands-on tours of an ethanol plant, biodiesel plant, renewable natural gas plant, farms, fuel distribution, and other facilities connected with ag and biofuels.
- A close look at cutting edge research projects that will cultivate the next generation of renewable fuels.
- Briefings by state and national experts, technology providers, family farmers and university research staff.

You will gain:

- A better understanding of the environmental and economic benefits of renewable fuels.
- Insight into technological advancements that are improving the efficiency and minimizing the carbon footprint of biofuels production and agricultural processes.

Please note all expenses are covered by the tour sponsors.

Learn more about the tour by checking out these [recaps of past tours](#).

Space is limited. If you are interested in participating in the tour, **please complete the following:**

- **[Click here](#) to fill out the tour registration form and return it to Monte Shaw, Executive Director of the Iowa Renewable Fuels Association, at mshaw@IowaRFA.org Please reply as soon as possible.**
- **Once registered, you will receive all of the paperwork necessary for submission to the Senate Ethics Committee (which is due no later than July 14, 2023).**

Any questions may be directed to Monte Shaw at (515) 252-6249, mshaw@IowaRFA.org. Thanks, and we hope to see you on the tour!

Sincerely,

Monte Shaw

Executive Director
Iowa Renewable Fuels Association

