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Re: Docket No. 10-ALT-1  
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Sacramento California

Via Email: [docket@energy.state.ca.us](mailto:docket@energy.state.ca.us)

RE: 2011-2012 Investment Plan for the Alternative And Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the 2011-2012 AB 188 Investment Plan. We are writing to support the \$8 million allocation for the production of transportation fuel using anaerobic digestion of waste feedstocks.

Our company, Harvest Power, Inc., is committed to ushering in a new era of organic waste management. In partnership with communities and organic waste generators we develop, build, own and operate state-of-the-art facilities that produce renewable energy and soil enhancement products from discarded organic materials. We are very interested in expanding our operations to include Anaerobic Digestion facilities in California and produce transportation fuel in addition to high quality compost.

As a subcontracting recipient of a grant through the 2010 program, Harvest Power understands the important role the California Energy Commission plays in promoting low-carbon, cleaner, energy sources. We support the expansion of these funds in the direction of transportation fuel produced from waste-based feedstocks. Recycling urban organic materials is one of the most efficient and cost effective methods of producing low carbon transportation fuel.

Currently, because of the low natural gas prices, much of the industry focus is on electricity production. The creation of the low carbon fuel standard for California will promote transportation fuel production through urban food waste. The anaerobic digestion technology used to produce compressed natural gas with waste feedstocks is a proven process in Europe. The \$8 million in AB 118 funds will enable the commercialization of this process to move forward in California more rapidly.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on this important program. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 510-847-003 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Novick", written over a horizontal line.

Linda Novick  
Project Manager