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Re: University of Minnesota, Morris's participation in the Chicago Climate Exchange

To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to endorse the University of Minnesota – Morris's goal of receiving an innovation credit for our campus's participation in the Chicago Climate Exchange. By joining the CCX, University of Minnesota, Morris (UMM) demonstrated its leadership in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and reporting transparency. The University of Minnesota, Morris is proud to participate with the University of Minnesota in this venture.

As Vice-Chancellor of Finance and Facilities at UMM, I have been working hard with students, faculty, staff and student partners to develop sustainable energy solutions for our campus. This has led to significant changes. Participation in the CCX provided a framework for UMM to examine and set emission reduction targets and goals.

Participation in the CCX requires submission to rigorous standards and data verification. We have participated in Phase I of the CCX, as well as Phase II, which extended through 2010. We are proud to have been a part of helping to build a voluntary climate exchange in North America.

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Sincerely,

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