

April 27, 2012

To Whom it May Concern:

RE: RRC Innovation Credit #4 Application

I am writing to support Red River College's application for a STARS Innovation Credit for using recycled vegetable oil to fuel the vehicles and equipment in the Pavement and Grounds Department, and to confirm that this project meets the criteria established by ASSHE.

As global oil reserves decrease, and oil prices increase, there are so many reasons why this program of reclaiming used vegetable oil and turning it into valuable diesel oil is one of many solutions to our collective environmental challenges. RRC has been happy to find that the recycled biodiesel not only works in small grounds machines but also in the fleet vehicles of that department. We have also been pleased to find that the recycled diesel works well throughout the all the variations in our extreme climate.

Students who participate in the oil recycling process graduate with a strengthened understanding of how being job ready in the future will also mean having an understanding of the environmental impacts of the sector.

RRC's vegetable oil recycling program is unique amongst post-secondary institutions, and even more so amongst colleges in North America.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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