

April 24, 2009

Assemblymember Felipe Fuentes
State Capitol,
Room 5136
Sacramento CA 95814

Re: SUPPORT - AB 222 (Ma and Adams) - Renewable Energy Production

Dear Assemblymember Fuentes:

INEOS Bio is a subsidiary of the INEOS Group, Ltd., a leader in Europe for biodiesel, ethanol and other products and a local employer in Carson, California. Our company is moving forward to commercialize and license a highly innovative thermochemical/biochemical process that will efficiently and sustainably co-produce advanced biofuels and electricity from carbon-based wastes and other feedstocks. The INEOS Bio process is distinguished from first generation biofuels technologies in that it does not require food or grain-based resources as its feedstocks.

We wish to express our strong support for the passage of AB 222, which will expedite the permitting and construction of advanced biofuels facilities in California.

We believe that the passage of AB 222 will greatly reduce the environmental impact of municipal solid waste disposal in California. INEOS Bio strongly supports efforts to recycle as much urban waste as possible. By correctly classifying conversion technologies, AB 222 will expedite the permitting of new technologies like INEOS Bio that can convert post-recycled waste streams into renewable energy. At the same time, this legislation requires that these technologies *meet or exceed* all standards set by the State's Air Resources Board, Water Resources Control Board and other regional and local air and water quality management districts throughout the state.

AB 222 will assist California in meeting its renewable energy goals as defined in the state's Renewable Portfolio Standard and its mandate for 10% ethanol blending. This legislation will assist companies like INEOS Bio in advancing their technology – domestically producing green power, advanced biofuels and other biobased products. Thus, this legislation will help create a pathway for new technology, stimulate California's economy and foster an improved environment.

We strongly support and urge passage of AB 222.

Sincerely,



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