June 13, 2011

The Honorable Harry Reid Majority Leader United States Senate Washington, DC 20514 The Honorable Mitch McConnell Minority Leader United States Senate Washington, DC 20514

Dear Congressional Leaders,

The undersigned diverse group of business associations, hunger and development organizations, agricultural groups, environmental groups, budget hawks, grassroots groups and free marketers urge you to **support the Coburn-Feinstein amendment, No. 436,** to the to the Economic Development Revitalization Act (S. 782), which would end 30 years of tax credits for conventional ethanol and end the tariff on imported ethanol on July 1st.

Conventional ethanol is due to receive some \$6 billion in refundable tax credits this year. Continuing to subsidize oil companies to blend ethanol – which they are already required to do by the Renewable Fuels Standard – is wasteful and unnecessary. This amendment will save U.S. taxpayers several billion dollars this year and have virtually no impact on ethanol production, jobs or prices.

Sincerely,

Action Aid USA

American Bakers Association
American Frozen Food Institute

American Meat Institute

Americans for Limited Government

Americans for Prosperity California Dairies, Inc Clean Air Task Force

Competitive Enterprise Institute

Defenders of Wildlife

Environmental Working Group

Friends of the Earth Freedom Action Greenpeace USA

Grocery Manufacturers Association
International Dairy Foods Association

Milk Producers Council

National Black Chamber of Commerce

League of Conservation Voters

National Chicken Council

National Council of Chain Restaurants

National Meat Association

National Restaurant Association National Turkey Federation National Wildlife Federation

Natural Resources Defense Council

Oxfam America Sierra Club

Snack Food Association

Southern Alliance for Clean Energy Taxpayers for Common Sense

U.S. PIRG

Union of Concerned Scientists World Wildlife Federation

CC: United States Senate