



STATE OF ARKANSAS
MIKE BEEBE
GOVERNOR

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Brent Bailey, State Alliance Team
25x'25 America's Energy Future
107 Cedar Ridge Drive
Canton, MS 39046

Dear Mr. Bailey:

I am pleased to offer my support for the goal of the 25x'25 Alliance, which is that by the year 2025, renewable energy from the farms, forests, and ranches of this country will provide 25 percent of the total energy consumed, while continuing to produce safe, abundant, and affordable food, feed, and fiber. Achieving this vision could have many positive effects on our economy and our environment --- from reducing dependence on foreign oil to creating new jobs and advancing clean, renewable energy production and use in Arkansas.

Throughout Arkansas, groups from the farming, food, and forestry industries, as well as environmental, energy, labor, business, and civic organizations believe that the nation's energy supply can be generated from renewable sources, such as biofuels, biomass, and energy production from agricultural waste and cellulosic materials.

Because Arkansas has established itself as a provider and user of renewable energy resources and products, biofuel-production facilities and clean-energy manufacturers have chosen to locate in the State to take advantage of our skilled labor force and feedstock supplies. I believe that a strong cooperative effort among the states is essential if we are to succeed in the mission and goals of the 25x'25 Alliance, and I wish you the best in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mike Beebe".

Mike Beebe

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