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SENATE AGRICULTURE SUBCOMMITTEE TO HOLD OVERSIGHT HEARING

WASHINGTON, D.C....The Senate Agriculture Subcommittee on Agricultural Research and General Legislation has scheduled an oversight hearing on the status of USDA policies and research into energy alternatives from agricultural products on Monday, July 23. The hearing was scheduled at the request of Senator Bob Dole (R-Kan).

Sen. Dole said the subcommittee is specifically interested in the activities of the four pilot projects which were authorized by the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 (P.L. 95-113) for the production and marketing of alternative fuels from agricultural commodities and forest products. The scope of the hearing will also include discussion of USDA energy policy toward the production of fuels from agricultural products such as alcohol as well as USDA energy research and conservation efforts.

The hearing will begin at 8:00 a.m. in room 324 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The witness list includes:

James Williams, Deputy Secretary
U.S. Department of Agriculture
accompanied by
Weldon Barton, Director
Office of Energy
U.S. Department of Agriculture

Andrew Livingston, President
Guarantee Fuels, Inc.
Independence, Kansas
(one of the pilot projects)

Dr. Walter Walawender, Professor
Kansas State University
Manhattan, Kansas

Dr. Barry Commoner, Professor
Washington University
St. Louis Missouri

Dr. George Tsao, Professor
Purdue University
West Lafayette, Indiana

Dr. Jerry Birchfield, Professor
Georgia Tech
Atlanta, Georgia

G.R. Dickerson, Dir.
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and
Firearms
U.S. Dept. of the Treasury

Albert Turner
Alabama Farmers Coop
Selma, Alabama

Peggy Capps
Women Involved in Farm Econ.
Cottonwood, Alabama