

February 15, 1995

TO: Senator Dole
FROM: Janet Sena
SUBJECT: Gov. Thompson

This evening, you will be receiving an award from the Governor's Ethanol Coalition from Gov. Thompson.

Last night, I was informed that Gov. Thompson has asked EPA to suspend the Reformulated Gasoline Program (RFG) program in his state due to a high number of complaints about this program. This coincides with other actions by states to "opt-out" of the RFG program. As you know, you have objected to how the RFG program has been structured by EPA; making it a 100% mandate for methanol.

I wanted to make you aware of these actions in case Gov. Thompson mentions it to you this evening. This is an ethanol industry reception, so RFG will not be an open topic, but it's obvious some states are having problems with the program. I have talked to Gov. Voinovich about coordinating a meeting between the states and EPA to discuss their concerns.

Background

The RFG program started in January and is in its initial stages of implementation. As we have noted, the RFG program is primarily a MTBE (methanol based) program. Ethanol only has about 5% of the RFG market.

Feb. 15
6:00-8:00

RECEIVE AWARD

February 14, 1995

TO: Senator Dole
FROM: Janet Sena
SUBJECT: Ethanol Reception Remarks

Tomorrow evening, Wednesday, February 15th, the Governor's Ethanol Coalition is hosting a Congressional reception. They will be presenting you and Sen. Daschle with an award for your efforts to further ethanol as an alternative fuel. Gov. Tommy Thompson, Chair of the Coalition, will present you with the award. Gov. Nelson (Nebraska) past chair, will also be in attendance. The group will include representatives of the ethanol industry.

After the award presentation, they would like you to say a very few words. I have not prepared a speech, but have the following talking points:

- * I guess you could say I'm "pumped up" to receive this award (the award is a gas pump replica that is a tape recorder).
- * As you know, I have been a long time supporter of ethanol and believe ethanol to be a significant contributor to clean air efforts.
- * I have worked with Sen. Daschle and other members of the Senate to promote ethanol. I believe ethanol is good for agriculture, good for the environment and will continue to work to ensure ethanol access to the marketplace.
- * Governor Thompson - the Governor's Ethanol Coalition has done an outstanding job at promoting ethanol and your continued support is appreciated. Thank you for this recognition.

Provide more detailed remarks

Remarks ok; put in speech format

Nothing further needed



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Wed, Feb 15

6-8pm



TOMMY G. THOMPSON

Governor
State of Wisconsin

_____ will accept award

_____ regret

December 22, 1994

The Honorable Robert Dole
Senate Majority Leader
United States Senate
141 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510
Attention: Yvonne Costello

Dear Senator Dole:

As you may know, I become Chair of the 19-state Governors' Ethanol Coalition (GEC) on January 1, 1995. In conjunction with the first GEC meeting of 1995, I will be hosting a Congressional Reception to bring together the Congressional delegation with interested parties in the ethanol industry to discuss issues of importance to the industry in the upcoming term.

During the GEC Congressional Reception February 15, 1995, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., 902 Hart Senate Office Building, I would like to recognize you with a special award for your dedication, long-term support and tireless efforts to further the advancement of renewable ethanol. I have also asked Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle to be recognized at the reception for his efforts.

I look forward to your positive response. Jeffery Knight serves as my representative to the Coalition, and he can be reached at (608) 267-7693.

Sincerely,


TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

**REMARKS FOR THE
GOVERNOR'S ETHANOL
COALITION**

FEBRUARY 15, 1995

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**THANK YOU FOR THIS
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