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To whom it may concern:

Re: Institute of International Education, Global Innovation Initiative

I am writing on behalf of the University of Aberdeen to outline our support for the proposal led by Professor Mark Holtzapple of Texas A&M University for the project titled 'Renewable Gasoline from Waste Biomass', to the Institute of International Education of the USA in the area of Energy, climate change and the environment. The University's participation in the project will be led by Dr Jefferson Gomes.

This project is very pertinent to the research direction of our University, the School of Engineering and in particular to the Energy Theme. The experience of our multidisciplinary teams across the University includes modelling, simulation and experiments towards better understanding of the underlying science and technology challenges in the energy sector. The proposed project has a potential to address key-challenges in the production of gasoline with near-zero net carbon emissions, and will gather world-class scientists from three key institutions on the fields of chemical engineering, energy technologies and computational physics.

As a demonstration of our commitment to the project, the University undertakes to provide 117 hours of Dr Gomes' time, which is equivalent to a contribution of USD 10.7k.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information.

Yours sincerely

Professor Igor Guz Head of School of Engineering University of Aberdeen