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**To:** [Spencer Swayze](#)  
**Cc:** [Peter Mascia](#)  
**Subject:** consultant agreement question  
**Date:** Thursday, August 30, 2007 8:01:17 PM

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Spencer:

Thanks for the kind words. We were happy to show Richard and Walter what we've got going on. I want them to feel confident that they will be getting useful material for the money Ceres is committing.

I know that some in Ceres are anxious to get going. Edgar Haro stopped by my office today ready to know how we will be proceeding. We're going to visit again on Monday. This emphasizes the important of establishing a management team as quickly as possible so that they can provide oversight on the process.

About the consultant agreement, I have finally read it tonight and before I can respond in detail, I have a couple of questions for which I need additional detail. Once I get these details, I can put together a formal response to the proposed agreement.

I know you're down South getting ready for a football game, so don't worry about responding to this until you are back at work.

regards,

bill

> Bill,  
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> I hope this message finds you well. I just want to thank you for the  
> excellent day yesterday. Your field tour was very, very well received  
> by both Walter and Richard and they are very excited about your breeding  
> program. You did an excellent job organizing the field tour.  
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>  
> It has been an absolute pleasure working with you. We are thrilled to

> have you as a partner and look forward to many successes in the future.  
> I have attached the draft consulting agreement for your reference. It  
> is the same version we sent you earlier this year. Please let me know  
> if you have any questions or if you would like to discuss it. I look  
> forward to speaking with you again soon.

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> Best regards,

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Peter Mascia"](#); ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** consulting agreement  
**Date:** Friday, August 31, 2007 6:14:00 PM

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Spencer and Pete:

I've read the document, gotten response from Pete on some of the expectations based on the questions that I asked previously.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Peter Mascia"](#)  
**Cc:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** consulting contract  
**Date:** Friday, July 27, 2007 2:12:00 PM

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Pete:

It seems we are getting close on this agreement (at least that what I hear from Peter Schuerman). I've purposely stayed out of it and I'm sure we are all better for it. Anyway, I wanted to let you know that I am still interested in working with CERES as a consultant.

Once the agreement is signed, I will review the consulting document (or if that one is no longer acceptable or valid to you, send me a revised version) and send you my thoughts and comments.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#); ["Peter Mascia"](#)  
**Subject:** consulting  
**Date:** Friday, December 21, 2007 12:27:00 PM

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Spencer and Pete:

First of all, let me thank you (and all the others) for an excellent meeting. I'm not a huge fan of meetings, but I realize they are essential for management. I thought this meeting was exceptional and I was very pleased with the dialogue and interaction. I came away with a clearer idea of what is expected and the interaction that will be used to make it happen. If you have time, please convey that message to all in the Ceres group.

One item that I didn't discuss with either of you is consulting. I am working on the assumption that when you need consulting services from me that either of you (or the others that have been identified) will contact me. When contacted, it would also be helpful to me to clearly delineate (whenever possible) those tasks that are consulting as opposed to those that are considered part of our Research Agreement. Finally, if I have questions related to consulting, who is the appropriate person at Ceres to have in the loop? I assume it is either or both of you, but things do change (ie, should I work or copy Walter Nelson on this as well?).

Happy Holidays!

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Peter Mascia"](#)  
**Subject:** contact with an Australian Seed Company  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 30, 2007 8:02:00 AM

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Peter:

I have regular contact with sorghum seed companies in Australia; one of whom has e-mailed me to ask if there would be interest from Ceres in collaborating with them for work in Australia.

I told them that I would ask you and if you folks are interested, I can provide the contact information.

Let me know if you want more details.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Peter Mascia"](#)  
**Cc:** ["Avant, Bob"](#); ["McCutchen, Bill"](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Ceres" Sorghum  
**Date:** Monday, November 26, 2007 11:06:00 AM

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Pete:

We've been contacted by an Italian group interested in the high biomass sorghum (you can follow the e-mail trail in the messages below). Given their interests, it seems that the logical contact should probably be with Ceres as they seem to want quantities of seed that you will be in a better position to provide. If appropriate we can work with them as well, but I'm not sure what our role would be at this time. I have responded, indicating that I would forward these messages onto Ceres as well.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** piero.ottonello@gruppomg.com [mailto:piero.ottonello@gruppomg.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 25, 2007 1:47 PM  
**To:** wlr@tamu.edu  
**Cc:** cesar@tamu.edu  
**Subject:** R: Ceres' Sorghum

Dear Dr Rooney,  
I would like to confirm that we will be glad to meet you and/or Ceres's people.

Please let us know if this is possible. We might have the chance to be in USA by the middle of December.

Lookind forward to your reply  
Best regards

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**Da:** Ottonello Piero - RI  
**Inviato:** mar 20/11/2007 10.29  
**A:** wlr@tamu.edu



**Oggetto:** R: Ceres' Sorghum

Dear Dr Rooney,  
as anticipated to Dr Granda (see mails below), we're very interested at the developments ongoing at Texas A&M/Ceres on high yield sorghum.  
Please, let us know if we had arrange a meeting with Texas A&M or with Ceres.

In case we will meet in Texas, I will very glad to meet you personally and visit the faculties.  
Looking forward to your reply.  
Best regards  
Piero

-----Messaggio originale-----

Da: Cesar B. Granda [<mailto:Cesar.Granda@chemail.tamu.edu>]

Inviato: lunedì 19 novembre 2007 20.08

A: Ottonello Piero - RI; [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)

Oggetto: Re: Ceres' Sorghum

Piero,

It was very nice to meet you in Geneva as well. The person you should contact is Dr. William Rooney, who is the main researcher on sorghum here at Texas A&M. He will then put you in contact with the right persons so that your company can arrange/negotiate a relationship with Texas A&M/Ceres and thus move forward with the commercialization of high-yield sorghum.

They can also arrange your visit to Texas A&M. Your visit could include both their agricultural facilities as well as our engineering facilities.

Dr. Rooney's contact information follows:

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Thanks,

Cesar

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To: <[cesar@tamu.edu](mailto:cesar@tamu.edu)>

Date: Mon, 19 Nov 2007 14:38:31 +0100

Subject: Ceres' Sorghum

Dear Cesar,

first of all I would like to thank you very much for the great introduction on II gen bioethanol, given at Geneva conference. Your presentations represents an extensive source of data, very suitable to provide a benchmark for our research.

As we discussed we'll be very interested to discuss with Texas A&M about sorghum improvement program.

I'm providing here below a summary of our vision in order for you to suggest the right people to be involved, in Ceres or in Texas A&M.

We are planning a trip to the USA in December and we can use the occasion of meeting there and of visiting your facilities.

Looking forward to your reply and to discussing this opportunity with the contact you will provide.

Best regards

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** FW: commercial white tan sorghum hybrids  
**Date:** Friday, November 02, 2007 8:55:00 AM

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Spencer:

If this isn't what you were referring to, you'll have to give me few more details.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 02, 2007 8:50 AM  
**To:** 'Bean, Scott'  
**Subject:** RE: commercial white tan sorghum hybrids

Scott:

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Bean, Scott [mailto:Scott.Bean@ARS.USDA.GOV]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 31, 2007 12:40 PM  
**To:** wlr@tamu.edu  
**Subject:** commercial white tan sorghum hybrids

Bill

Hope everything is going good down your way!

Sincerely,

Scott

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Peter Mascia"](#); ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** I hear you are coming to town....  
**Date:** Monday, August 27, 2007 5:54:00 PM

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Peter and Spencer:

It appears that we are finally ready to close on this deal, and I, personally, could not be more pleased.

I did want to follow up on the consulting agreement that you sent a few months back. At that time, I indicated that I wouldn't sign any agreement until TAES had finalized their position with regard to breeding activities. I realize that you guys are probably a little busy, but I wanted to alert you because I would like to finalize all of these relationships. As you might expect, I have had offers from other groups, but I have not made any arrangements for the same reasons that I didn't respond to your initial offer. Given the strong relationship that I will have with you through the TAES agreement, it would be my preference to establish a consulting relationship specifically with Ceres, as it is a logical fit for both of us. Of course this is contingent on the following.

1. Is Ceres still interested in establishing a consulting relationship with me?
2. If so, is the initial offer similar to (or the same as) they were in the original document?

Thanks for any information – I know you're busy on Wednesday, but I wanted to put the issue back on the table.

We'll see you on Wednesday.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Edgar Haro"](#)  
**Subject:** RE:  
**Date:** Monday, December 31, 2007 3:39:00 PM

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Looks right.

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Edgar Haro [mailto:eharo@ceres-inc.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 29, 2007 11:12 AM  
**To:** wlr@tamu.edu; Peter Mascia  
**Subject:**

**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: 29th Symposium  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 25, 2007 11:10:00 PM

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Spencer:

All good. We'll see you on Sunday.

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spencer Swayze [<mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2007 8:31 PM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: 29th Symposium

Bill,

Let's discuss restaurant locations on Sunday. I will check with the concierge to get suggestions.

Thanks!

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Rooney [<mailto:wlr@tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2007 10:46 AM  
To: Spencer Swayze  
Subject: RE: 29th Symposium

Spencer:

I'm speaking on Sunday afternoon - John is a co-author on the paper, but he will not be there.

I'm going to stay somewhere near the airport on Sunday evening as I leave early on Monday morning, but we could meet for dinner before I head back to the airport.



Let me know.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spencer Swayze [<mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2007 7:30 AM  
To: John Mullet; William Rooney; bmccutchen@tamu.edu;  
pschuerman@tamu.edu  
Subject: 29th Symposium

John & Bill,

I saw your names on a presentation at the 29th Symposium next week. I was curious if you and anyone else from TAMUS would be available for dinner on Sunday evening. I look forward to seeing you next week.

Best regards,

Spencer Swayze  
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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: 29th Symposium  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 24, 2007 12:46:00 PM

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Spencer:

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Let me know.

Regards,

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Agreement  
**Date:** Monday, October 22, 2007 7:09:00 PM

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Thanks, I'll be looking for it.

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spencer Swayze [<mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 11:20 AM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: Agreement

Bill,

I wanted to give you an update on this. Remy has created signature versions and they are in the process of being signed internally. We will send you two clean copies to sign with return details. I look forward to speaking with you again soon.

Best regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Rooney [<mailto:wlr@tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Sunday, October 14, 2007 7:29 PM  
To: Spencer Swayze  
Subject: RE: Agreement

Spencer:

Weird - I'm working on it now. What is on paper looks good, I should have it ready to send out tomorrow - but I've thought of another question on scope of field - what about wide hybridization? Since this is an exclusive we need to be clear on boundaries. I can send a draft of my opinion, but it might be easier to visit on the phone and figure out what is appropriate to include. If you have time now give me call I'm at the office. Or I'll be in the office in the morning tomorrow.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Agreement  
**Date:** Monday, October 15, 2007 7:14:00 AM

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Spencer:

How about between 11:30 am and 12:20 pm or between 4 and 5:30 pm today? You can call me at either time and I will be in the office.

Regards,

Bill

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Sent: Sunday, October 14, 2007 11:15 PM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: Agreement

Bill,

Thanks for the quick response. How about a call sometime tomorrow? I am traveling this week on the east coast, but will be available. Let me know what time will work for you. I look forward to speaking with you tomorrow.

Best regards,

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Agreement  
**Date:** Sunday, October 14, 2007 9:28:00 PM

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Spencer:

Weird - I'm working on it now. What is on paper looks good, I should have it ready to send out tomorrow - but I've thought of another question on scope of field - Since this is an exclusive we need to be clear on boundaries. I can send a draft of my opinion, but it might be easier to visit on the phone and figure out what is appropriate to include. If you have time now give me call I'm at the office. Or I'll be in the office in the morning tomorrow.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spencer Swayze [<mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Sunday, October 14, 2007 9:12 PM  
To: William Rooney  
Subject: Agreement

Bill,

Will you have time to chat sometime on Monday or Tuesday regarding the consulting agreement? Please let me know. I look forward to speaking with you again soon.

Best regards,

Spencer Swayze

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Steven Thomas"](#)  
**Cc:** ["John Mullet"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: biomass sample processing at TAMU  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 28, 2007 8:48:00 AM

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Steve:

If you want, give me a call this week and we can discuss, once I have this input, I can give you a realistic number.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Steven Thomas [<mailto:sthomas@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2007 5:22 PM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: biomass sample processing at TAMU  
Importance: High

Hi Bill,

Bonnie tells me that Pete has spoken with you about the possibility of having biomass samples sent to TAMU for drying, milling and NIR spectral analysis. That idea was generally acceptable to you, I hear, but you were going to check on how best for us to pay for that work - either off the grant, or as piece work. Have you resolved that issue yet, and can you give me a price per sample that you'd like to charge us, please?

Bonnie is anxious to know where she should be directing people to send



their biomass samples to, so if you can give me some solid guidance on this, I'd be grateful.

Hope your Turkey Day was great! I guess we'll see you here in a couple of weeks, eh?

Regards, Steve

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Consulting Agreement  
**Date:** Thursday, October 18, 2007 6:25:00 AM

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Spencer:

I'll be in my office most of Thursday afternoon. If it is just you to call, then call at your convenience. I'll read through the document by that time.

We can talk about what's going on at KSU - I have a good feel since I went and looked at the program this summer - and what we are doing with them.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spencer Swayze [<mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Wednesday, October 17, 2007 10:21 PM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: Consulting Agreement

Bill,

Thanks for the message. Maybe we can speak tomorrow? Also, I heard something about some high biomass sorghum being grown through Kansas State. Do you know anything about this? I saw Ron Madl at a conference and he mentioned something about you doing some research with KSU. Are you by any chance trialing hybrids there?

Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
To: "Spencer Swayze" <[sswayze@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com)>  
Sent: 10/17/07 5:16 PM  
Subject: RE: Consulting Agreement

Spencer:

I got it, have it printed out and I'll read it tonight (light reading before bed). I will try to get comments back to you tomorrow. I'm ready to wrap this up.

Regards,

Bill

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Sent: Wednesday, October 17, 2007 3:07 PM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Cc: Peter Mascia; Wilfriede van Assche; Remy Jacobs  
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Best regards,

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Consulting Agreement  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 17, 2007 7:14:00 PM

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Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Consulting Agreement  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 26, 2007 8:08:00 AM

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Spencer:

I'll be in Tulsa for SunGrant South Central Feedstock Workshop, but based on the meeting schedule, I can visit with you and Pete at 5:45 Central Time (3:45 pm Pacific). If you want to call me, then use my cell phone number 979 220 1951. If you want me to call you, then please send the phone number.

I've had several discussions with Edgar, I think we have established a path forward and I'm excited about this collaboration!

I look forward to our discussion on Monday.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Spencer Swayze [mailto:[sswayze@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 25, 2007 5:52 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** Consulting Agreement

Bill,

Will you be available to discuss the consulting agreement with Pete and I early next week? Perhaps we could schedule a call for Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup> in the afternoon your time? Please let me know. We look forward to discussing this with you.

Best regards,

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Peter Mascia"](#)  
**Cc:** ["John Mullet"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Consulting agreements  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 01, 2007 8:46:00 AM

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Peter:

I am available 8-10 am (but I assume you are traveling...) and I am available after the meeting 11-1 until 4 pm. I can arrange a meeting place if you wish. John and I can discuss this morning.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Peter Mascia [mailto:[pmascia@ceres-inc.com](mailto:pmascia@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2007 4:42 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** John Mullet  
**Subject:** RE: Consulting agreements

I was wondering if you might be available for several hours on Wednesday?

Pete

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**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)]  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 28, 2007 6:02 PM

**To:** Peter Mascia  
**Cc:** 'John Mullet'  
**Subject:** RE: Consulting agreements

Pete:

As proposed by John, we can meet at 11:30 Central time. And yes, now I have a working speaker phone, so John and I can call you or vice versa.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Peter Mascia [mailto:pmascia@ceres-inc.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2007 6:07 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** John Mullet  
**Subject:** RE: Consulting agreements

What time next Wednesday May 2 would be good for a call to discuss the research plan and the consultancy agreements?

Thanks!

Pete

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**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2007 4:38 PM  
**To:** Peter Mascia  
**Cc:** 'John Mullet'  
**Subject:** RE: Consulting agreements

Pete:

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**To:** John Mullet; Bill Rooney  
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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Peter Mascia"](#)  
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**Subject:** RE: Consulting agreements  
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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Peter Mascia"](#); ["Spencer Swayze"](#); ["Walter Nelson"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: consulting  
**Date:** Friday, December 21, 2007 3:37:00 PM

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Hey Pete, Spencer, and Walter

Another question – you're getting them all because I'm cleaning off the desk today.

I'm starting to feel a like I'm a little high maintenance, so just let me know and I'll respond accordingly.  
Then no more questions...

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Peter Mascia [mailto:[pmascia@ceres-inc.com](mailto:pmascia@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 21, 2007 1:00 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney; Spencer Swayze  
**Cc:** Walter Nelson  
**Subject:** RE: consulting

Bill,

We enjoyed the meeting as well.

We don't mix consulting with our meetings, but soon we will want to get together for a consulting meeting early next year. It would be good to keep Walter in the loop. He will be responsible for setting up the meetings. we have a number of issues we want to discuss and will put them together so you can review them in advance.

Happy Holidays. All the best for the new year.

Talk to you soon.

Pete

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**Sent:** Friday, December 21, 2007 10:27 AM  
**To:** Spencer Swayze; Peter Mascia  
**Subject:** consulting

Spencer and Pete:

First of all, let me thank you (and all the others) for an excellent meeting. I'm not a huge fan of meetings, but I realize they are essential for management. I thought this meeting was exceptional and I was very pleased with the dialogue and interaction. I came away with a clearer idea of what is expected and the interaction that will be used to make it happen. If you have time, please convey that message to all in the Ceres group.

One item that I didn't discuss with either of you is consulting. I am working on the assumption that when you need consulting services from me that either of you (or the others that have been identified) will contact me. When contacted, it would also be helpful to me to clearly delineate (whenever possible) those tasks that are consulting as opposed to those that are considered part of our Research Agreement. Finally, if I have questions related to consulting, who is the appropriate person at Ceres to have in the loop? I assume it is either or both of you, but things do change (ie, should I work or copy Walter Nelson on this as well?).

Happy Holidays!

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [wlr@neo.tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@neo.tamu.edu)  
**To:** [Spencer Swayze](#)  
**Subject:** Re: COS  
**Date:** Friday, November 09, 2007 8:37:03 PM

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Hi Spencer,

All is well here, too busy, but that means things are happening. I have the agreement, but to be honest, I've been traveling so much that I have not even read it yet. I plan to do so this weekend; I don't expect any problem and I should have it in the mail back to you by Monday.

regards,

bill

> Hi Bill,  
>  
> I hope this message finds you well. I just wanted to follow-up with you  
> regarding the consulting agreement. Please let me know if you received it  
> and if you have any questions. I look forward to speaking with you again  
> soon.  
>  
> Best regards,  
>  
> Spencer Swayze  
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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Steven Thomas"](#)  
**Cc:** ["Renee Frisk"](#); ["Avant, Bob"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Great Plains Sorghum Conference  
**Date:** Friday, June 15, 2007 9:27:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [Great Plain Sorghum Brochure.pdf](#)

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Steve:

Thanks for agreeing to make a presentation. I've got a placeholder for a presentation from industry on late Thursday morning. It has a generic title at this point in time, but you can tell me what you want for a title and I'll change it in subsequent information.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Steven Thomas [<mailto:sthomas@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2007 8:04 PM  
To: Avant, Bob  
Cc: [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu); Renee Frisk  
Subject: RE: Great Plains Sorghum Conference

-----Original Message-----

From: Avant, Bob [<mailto:bavant@tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2007 5:54 PM  
To: Steven Thomas  
Cc: [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu); Peter Mascia; Spencer Swayze  
Subject: Re: Great Plains Sorghum Conference

Thanks Steve. Bill will provide you with the information and logistics.  
What's the contact info of your assistant?

Bob Avant  
512/422-6171 (Cell)  
512365-6591 (Home)

----- Original Message -----

From: Steven Thomas <[sthomas@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sthomas@ceres-inc.com)>  
To: Avant, Bob  
Cc: Bill Rooney <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>; Peter Mascia <[pmascia@ceres-inc.com](mailto:pmascia@ceres-inc.com)>;  
Spencer Swayze <[sswayze@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com)>  
Sent: Mon Jun 11 19:45:57 2007  
Subject: RE: Great Plains Sorghum Conference

Bob and Bill,

I would be happy to do this. Please provide more information when it becomes available. As I will be traveling quite a bit between now and then, please copy my assistant on all correspondence and she will make sure I know what's going on.

Best regards, Steve

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From: Avant, Bob [<mailto:bavant@tamu.edu>]

Sent: Monday, June 11, 2007 2:37 PM

To: Steven Thomas

Cc: Bill Rooney

Subject: Great Plains Sorghum Conference

Steven,

It was good to meet you in Weslaco and I look forward to working with Ceres. Bill Rooney asked me if I could recommend someone with a broad perspective on the cellulosic ethanol picture as it relates to feedstocks. Would you be available to give a presentation in College Station July 19-20. It would also be a great opportunity to learn more

about Bill's sorghum program. I have attached a draft program that holds open the 10:45-11:15 slot on July 19.

Please let me know if you are available.

Bob Avant

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: I hear you are coming to town....  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 28, 2007 3:46:00 PM

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Spencer:

Sorry for the delay. It's been busy and I won't have time to visit today, but I should have a copy (I just have to find it).

We can talk a little tomorrow to set the stage for further discussions after Wednesday.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Spencer Swayze [mailto:[sswayze@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 27, 2007 6:07 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney; Peter Mascia  
**Subject:** RE: I hear you are coming to town....

Bill,

Thanks for the message. We are very excited about the visit to College Station. Ceres is very interested in having you as a consultant. Do you still have the agreement that Pete sent you previously? If so, do you have any questions regarding the agreement? Please feel free to give me a call to discuss the next steps to the consulting agreement. We look forward to working with you.

Best regards,

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-----Original Message-----

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**Sent:** Monday, August 27, 2007 3:54 PM  
**To:** Peter Mascia; Spencer Swayze  
**Subject:** I hear you are coming to town....

Peter and Spencer:

It appears that we are finally ready to close on this deal, and I, personally, could not be more pleased.

Thanks for any information – I know you're busy on Wednesday, but I wanted to put the issue back on the table.

We'll see you on Wednesday.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Edgar Haro"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Lunch  
**Date:** Thursday, August 30, 2007 3:17:00 PM

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Edgar:

It's on my calendar. I'll see you at 11 am on Monday.  
Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Edgar Haro [mailto:eharo@ceres-inc.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 30, 2007 3:16 PM  
**To:** wlr@tamu.edu  
**Subject:** Lunch

Bill - Monday is fine with me.  
I may meet you at your office 11am talk a bit on your breeding program accesions, then lunch.  
I am very flexible please feel free to make any other suggestions if tied up.  
Thanks,  
Edgar

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Cc:** ["Peter Mascia"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Monday Call  
**Date:** Sunday, September 30, 2007 10:04:00 PM

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Spencer:

That's fine – Should we start at 6:00 pm CST? Unless I hear otherwise, I'll assume that is acceptable.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Spencer Swayze [mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 29, 2007 2:01 PM  
**To:** wlr@tamu.edu  
**Cc:** Peter Mascia  
**Subject:** Monday Call  
**Importance:** High

Bill,

I hope this message finds you well. I was curious if we could delay the call we have scheduled by 15-30 minutes. I will be flying into Austin the same day and will be landing at the same time we are schedule to have a call. Please let me know if that fits with your schedule. Because Pete and I will be in different locations, we will need to use my teleconference line. I will post that number below. Feel free to call me on my cell phone to discuss. Pete and I look forward to speaking with you soon.

Best regards,

Spencer Swayze  
(805) 407-8799 - Mobile

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**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: October 10th Visit - Bonnie Hames  
**Date:** Monday, October 01, 2007 9:27:00 PM

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Spencer:

We didn't have time to discuss it, but you mentioned the game this weekend. I guess it'll be big, but I'm not sure that anybody in the Big 12 is all that good this year. Anyway, IF you do come back to CS, enjoy the game, I hope the Cowboys play well (I hope the Aggies play better though). Stop by the north concession stand below the first deck on the alumni (west) side and say HI (that's where I'll be, slinging cokes and hot dogs for the county 4-H club).

Regards,

Bill

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**Sent:** Monday, October 01, 2007 9:30 AM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** Bonnie Hames  
**Subject:** RE: October 10th Visit - Bonnie Hames

Thanks Bill.

I should also note that Walter Nelson's title is "Product Development Manager" instead of "Produce Development Manager." Sorry about the mistype. I look forward to speaking with you later today.

Thanks!

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**To:** Spencer Swayze  
**Cc:** Bonnie Hames  
**Subject:** RE: October 10th Visit - Bonnie Hames



Spencer (and Bonnie)

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Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Spencer Swayze [mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 29, 2007 12:32 AM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** Bonnie Hames  
**Subject:** October 10th Visit - Bonnie Hames

Bill,

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Best regards,

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**Cc:** ["Bonnie Hames"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: October 10th Visit - Bonnie Hames  
**Date:** Sunday, September 30, 2007 10:07:00 PM

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Spencer (and Bonnie)

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Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Walter Nelson"](#)  
**Cc:** ["Bonnie Hames"](#); ["jmullet@tamu.edu"](mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** RE: October 10th Visit  
**Date:** Friday, October 05, 2007 2:15:00 PM

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Walter:

I will be traveling back from San Antonio on Tuesday and will not be back in time for dinner on Tuesday evening. I am available for Wednesday, so I would recommend a Wednesday evening dinner.

I'm open to meet on Wednesday morning and John Mullet should be available at the same time. If this is acceptable, let me know and we'll reserve a meeting room for the discussion.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Walter Nelson [mailto:[wnelson@ceres-inc.com](mailto:wnelson@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 05, 2007 8:07 AM  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Cc:** Bonnie Hames; [jmullet@tamu.edu](mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** October 10th Visit

Bill,

Bonnie and I are looking forward to meeting with you and John next week and have been making arrangements for our trip over there on the 9th and 10th. We are indeed speaking at the seminar at 4pm on Wednesday, but the rest of the day is open so we will be happy to meet with you at a time convenient for you. I may need to meet briefly with someone Peter is getting in contact with, but that is TBD and I will schedule that around our discussions.

We were thinking to fly in on Tuesday and were wondering if you and John would be available for dinner Tuesday night. Wednesday night would also be an option depending on your availability.

Best regards,

Walter

Walter E Nelson  
Product Manager

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**From:** Spencer Swayze  
**Sent:** Monday, October 01, 2007 9:01 PM  
**To:** Bonnie Hames; Walter Nelson  
**Subject:** FW: October 10th Visit - Bonnie Hames

Boonie/Walter,

I will leave it up to you guys to follow-up with Bill regarding your plans in College Station.

Thanks!

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 01, 2007 7:28 PM  
**To:** Bonnie Hames  
**Cc:** Spencer Swayze; 'John Mullet'; Peter Mascia  
**Subject:** RE: October 10th Visit - Bonnie Hames

Bonnie:

I visited with Pete this afternoon about composition analysis and setting up an evaluation lab. It became obvious that we need to visit when you are in College Station next week. As of right now, October 10 is completely open (I assume that you folks are the seminar at 4:00 pm), so just advise me of your availability. I'm sure that John M. will want to participate in this meeting; I've copied him on it as well.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Richard Flavell"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: partnership with Ceres  
**Date:** Friday, September 07, 2007 7:12:00 AM

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Dick:

Thanks for the good words. I appreciate them.

I'm sorry that I won't be around when you visit next week, but I'm sure that John and the group will cover the necessary topics.

Regards,

Bill

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**To:** [jmullet@tamu.edu](mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu); [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** partnership with Ceres

John and Bill,

We are, of course, delighted to have initiated our partnership at last. We look forward to sharing in much exciting and significant research and breeding with you and your colleagues. There are some wonderful opportunities for us all with high biomass sorghum and in showing the rest of the world how to make even faster progress by exploiting genomics. I want to thank you personally for all your help in bringing about the partnership and for your enthusiasm for working with Ceres.

I look forward to visiting next week ( but I know you will be out of town, Bill) and helping start what I am confident will be a very rewarding partnership.

Sincerely,

Dick Flavell

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Tanya Kruse"](#)  
**Cc:** ["Bonnie Hames"](#); ["John Mullet"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: project timeline  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 14, 2007 1:39:00 PM

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Tanya:

From my perspective, the timeline is fine except for Activity 3, line 5. We will start measurements in early June and continue until early February the following year.

I'll have facilities statement to you in the next few minutes.

Bill

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**Sent:** Wednesday, November 14, 2007 1:32 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney; John Mullet  
**Cc:** Bonnie Hames  
**Subject:** project timeline

Please look at the attached Project Plan timeline to see if it matches what you expect. If you think we need more or less detail, I'm open to suggestions. Thank you!

*Tanya*

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Peter Mascia"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Rooney - COS  
**Date:** Monday, May 14, 2007 9:52:00 AM

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Thanks, Pete

I'll read it and get back to you with my comments.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Peter Mascia [mailto:[pmascia@ceres-inc.com](mailto:pmascia@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 13, 2007 5:44 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** FW: Rooney - COS

Bill,

Attached is the consulting agreement we discussed. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Pete

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Denichiro Otsuga"](#)  
**Cc:** ["Schuerman, Peter L."](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Science question - Sterile sorghum line  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 10, 2007 8:21:00 AM

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Denny:

Sorry for the slow response – been too busy with everything else that is going on.

I can send you some material that will work for you.

We will be distributing a significant amount of seed to Ceres in the next week. I'd like to include this in that set (doing it all at one time).

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Denichiro Otsuga [mailto:[dotsuga@ceres-inc.com](mailto:dotsuga@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 27, 2007 6:06 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** Chuan-yin Wu  
**Subject:** RE: Science question - Sterile sorghum line

Hi Bill:

Thank you for calling me and explaining the sorghum genetics.

Thank you,  
Denny

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**From:** Denichiro Otsuga  
**Sent:** Monday, September 24, 2007 8:09 AM  
**To:** 'Bill Rooney'  
**Subject:** RE: Science question - Sterile sorghum line

Hi Bill:

I am sorry for the complete lack of sorghum genetics knowledge but I can catch up fast, I promise!

Denny

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**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 21, 2007 8:46 AM  
**To:** Denichiro Otsuga  
**Subject:** RE: Science question - Sterile sorghum line

Denny:

Hope that helps.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Denichiro Otsuga [mailto:[dotsuga@ceres-inc.com](mailto:dotsuga@ceres-inc.com)]

**Sent:** Thursday, September 20, 2007 7:54 PM

**To:** Bill Rooney

**Subject:** RE: Science question - Sterile sorghum line

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Now that Agreement is signed, we are excited to work with TAMU!

Best regards,  
Denny

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**To:** 'Bill Rooney'  
**Subject:** RE: Science question - Sterile sorghum line

Thanks Bill! I will get the paper and read it.

Denny

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**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 20, 2007 4:20 PM  
**To:** Denichiro Otsuga  
**Subject:** RE: Science question - Sterile sorghum line

Denny:

Regards,

Bill

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**To:** Bill Rooney

**Subject:** Science question - Sterile sorghum line

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Thanks,  
Denny

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Denichiro Otsuga"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Science question - Sterile sorghum line  
**Date:** Friday, September 21, 2007 10:46:00 AM

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Denny:

Hope that helps.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Denichiro Otsuga"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Science question - Sterile sorghum line  
**Date:** Monday, August 20, 2007 6:19:00 PM

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Denny:

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Steven Thomas"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: sorghum meeting speakers  
**Date:** Thursday, August 16, 2007 5:58:00 PM

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Steve:

I won't take that bet because I think you are correct. I assume you know, but your important people are visiting with our important people on 8/29... I don't know if they are all bringing their pens, but I hope so.

Bill

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From: Steven Thomas [<mailto:sthomas@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2007 5:55 PM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: sorghum meeting speakers

Bill,

As long as you send out pdfs, I am fine with this.

I enjoyed it very much and am willing to bet \$10 that we sign the deal before Sept. 1. This may be wishful thinking, but I am tired of lawyers.

Cheers, Steve

-----Original Message-----

From: "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
To: "Dirk Hays" <[dbhays@neo.tamu.edu](mailto:dbhays@neo.tamu.edu)>; "Bob Klein" <[rklein@tamu.edu](mailto:rklein@tamu.edu)>; "John Mullet" <[jmullet@tamu.edu](mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu)>; "Jianming Yu" <[jyu@ksu.edu](mailto:jyu@ksu.edu)>; "Bellmer, Dani" <[danielle.bellmer@okstate.edu](mailto:danielle.bellmer@okstate.edu)>; "McCutchen, Bill" <[bmccutchen@tamu.edu](mailto:bmccutchen@tamu.edu)>; "Dykes, Linda" <[LDykes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:LDykes@ag.tamu.edu)>; "Steven Thomas" <[sthomas@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sthomas@ceres-inc.com)>; "Jeff Dahlberg" <[jeff@sorghumgrowers.com](mailto:jeff@sorghumgrowers.com)>; "John M Yohe" <[jyohe@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:jyohe@unlnotes.unl.edu)>; "Juerg M Blumenthal" <[JBlumenthal@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:JBlumenthal@ag.tamu.edu)>; "Clint Magill" <[c-magill@tamu.edu](mailto:c-magill@tamu.edu)>  
Sent: 8/16/07 11:26 PM  
Subject: sorghum meeting speakers

Greetings all:

I would like to thank each of you for speaking at the sorghum meeting here in College Station in July. Even with the rain, I think it was generally successful meeting, due in part to each of you making excellent presentations.

I have had several requests for copies of the presentations that were made at the meeting. Since I used my computer, I do have those presentations, but I will not distribute anyone's presentation without their permission. Could each of you let me know your preference with regard to distribution of the presentation you made at the conference? For those who are agreeable, I will convert them to a pdf file and send them to those that requesting them.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Sorghum Meeting  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 03, 2007 7:26:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [Great Plain Sorghum Brochure.pdf](#)

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Spencer:

Here it is. I'm glad you'll be around. Hopefully we'll have the deal all signed, sealed and delivered by then.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Spencer Swayze [mailto:[sswayze@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 30, 2007 1:01 AM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** Sorghum Meeting

Bill,

I wanted to touch base to see if you could send me the details regarding the sorghum meeting later this month. I am planning to attend with Steve Thomas and very much look forward to it. We are very much looking forward to working with you. The sorghum looked great last week and this week. As always, please feel free to give me a call on my cell phone if there is anything I can do for you.

Best regards,

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Tanya Kruse"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: sorghum milling  
**Date:** Monday, November 19, 2007 3:06:00 PM

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Tanya:

We haven't seen that much of a problem as of yet, but to date we have primarily been grinding large samples through a very powerful hammermill. In this case we handle cross contamination by running a small amount of the new tissue through, then we take a sample from the middle of the grind.

Do you know the sugar concentration (fresh weight basis) in the samples?

I assume that they are completely dry and the sticking is caused by the heat generated? If that is the case, then I would probably reduce the fineness of the grind and rerun if needed.

Since we haven't had this problem, it is somewhat difficult for me to give you a straight answer.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Tanya Kruse [mailto:tkruse@ceres-inc.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 19, 2007 11:56 AM  
**To:** Bill Rooney; John Mullet  
**Subject:** sorghum milling

On a note unrelated to the grant... I needed to get some info from the sorghum experts. We are drying and milling some different types of sorghum here in-house, and we've had problems with some of the sweet sorghum "gumming" up the mills a bit, making them tough to clean between samples. Do you have a particular technique you use in drying and milling such sorghum that keeps the mills clean (not sticky) and prevents cross-contamination between samples? Thanks so much for any advice you can provide.

*Tanya*

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Tanya Kruse"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: TAMU USDA grant  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 13, 2007 4:59:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [DOE-USDA Biomass RD 2007 Ceres TAMU Proposal 11.13 wlr.doc](#)

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Tanya:

I've added a few extra points for your consideration. This replaces what I sent you earlier today and it include information pertinent to our conference call this afternoon. Use as you see fit.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Tanya Kruse [mailto:tkruse@ceres-inc.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 12, 2007 6:59 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney; John Mullet; Bonnie Hames; Steven Thomas; Steven Bobzin; Spencer Swayze; Peter Mascia  
**Subject:** TAMU USDA grant

Attached is the most recent file of the grant proposal. It's certainly not absolutely completed, but I wanted to get out the latest version today so that you'd have a chance to look it over before tomorrow's conference call. There are sections in yellow highlight to indicate places where more info is needed. It's coming together, but there are still pieces that need placing. Look forward to speaking with you tomorrow!

*Tanya*

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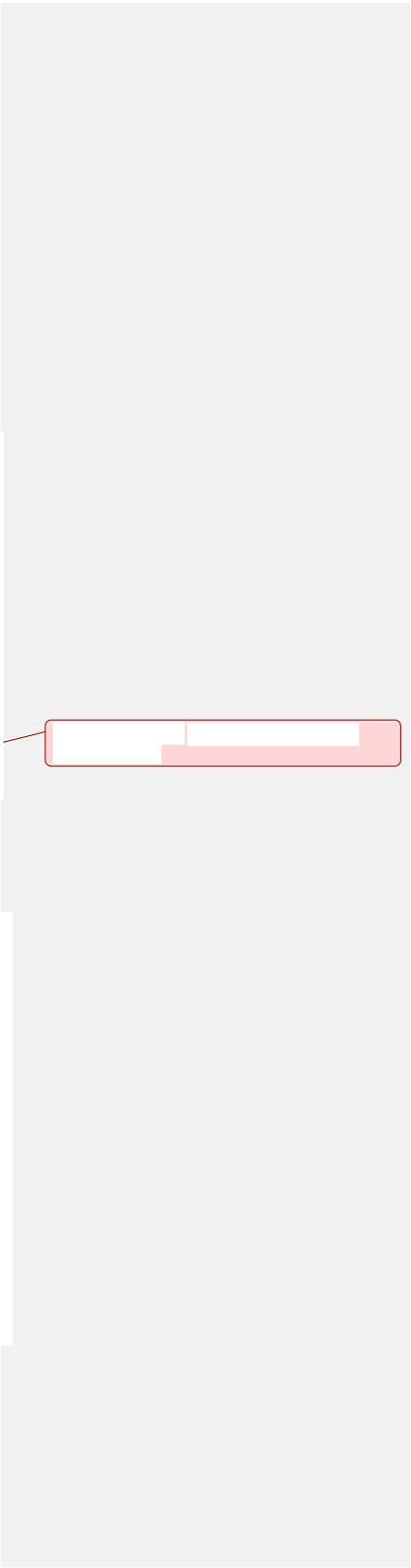


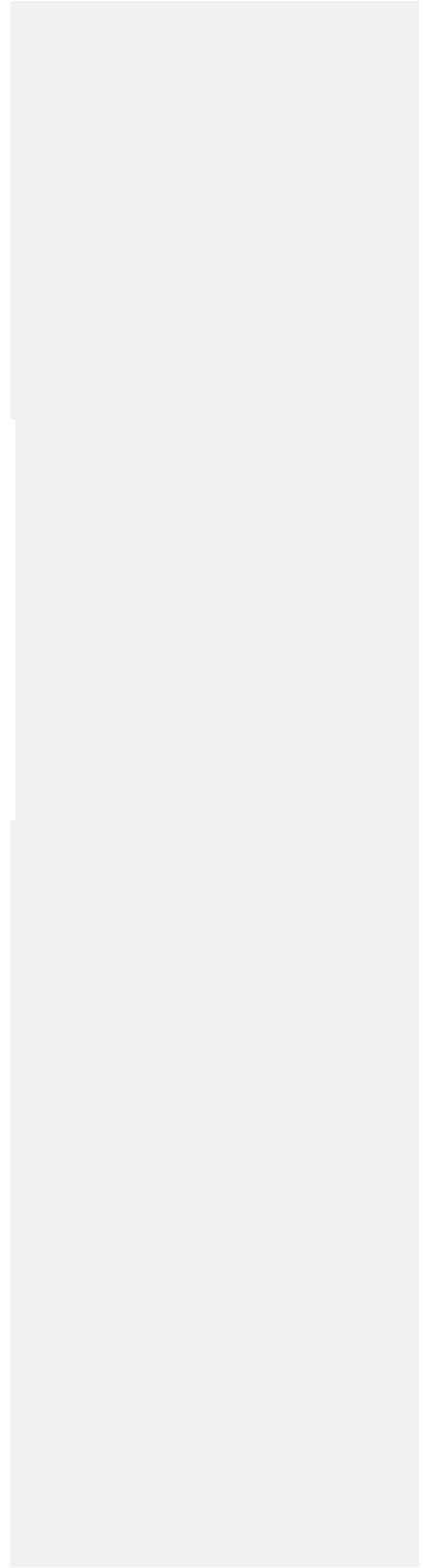
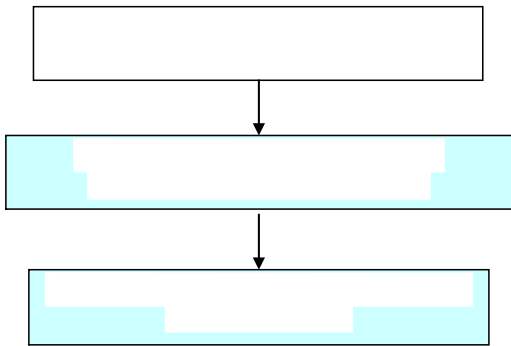


















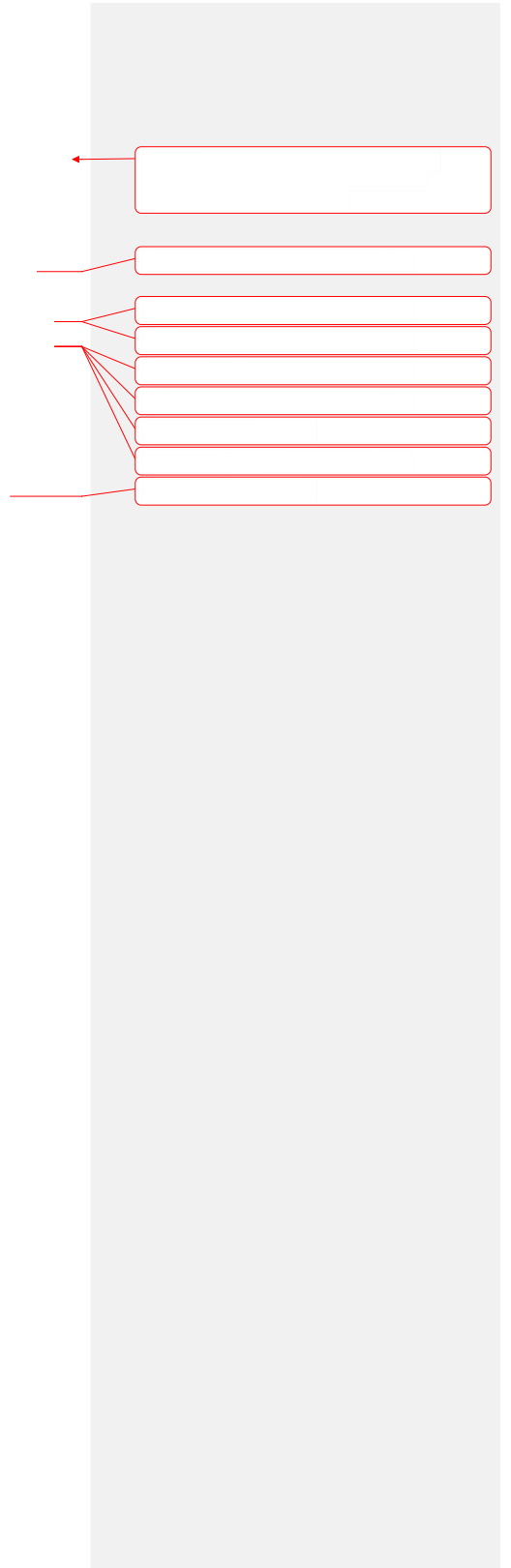








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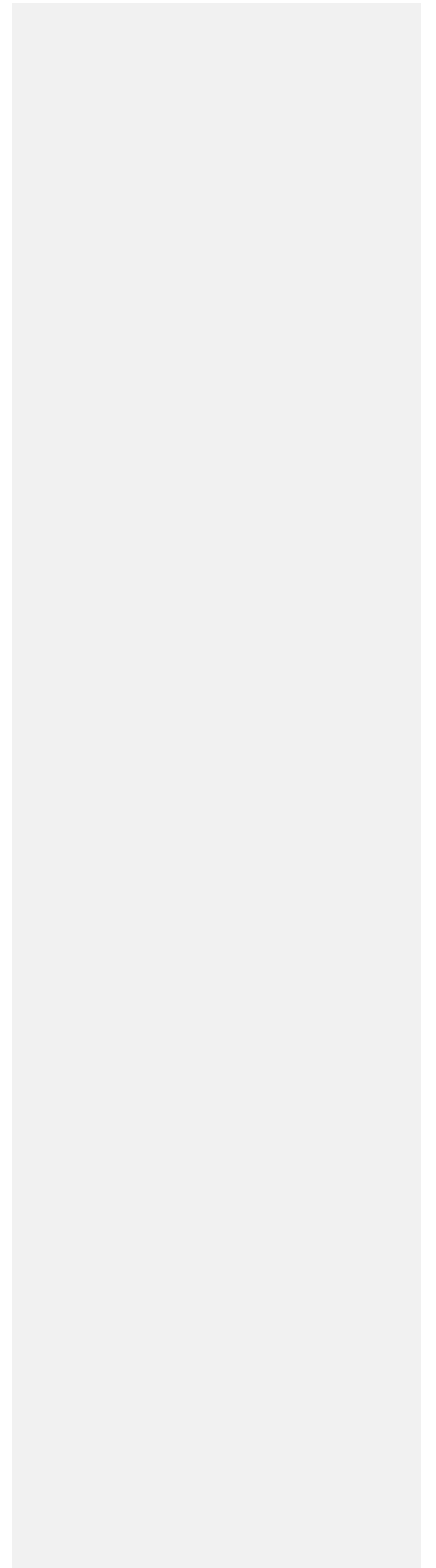






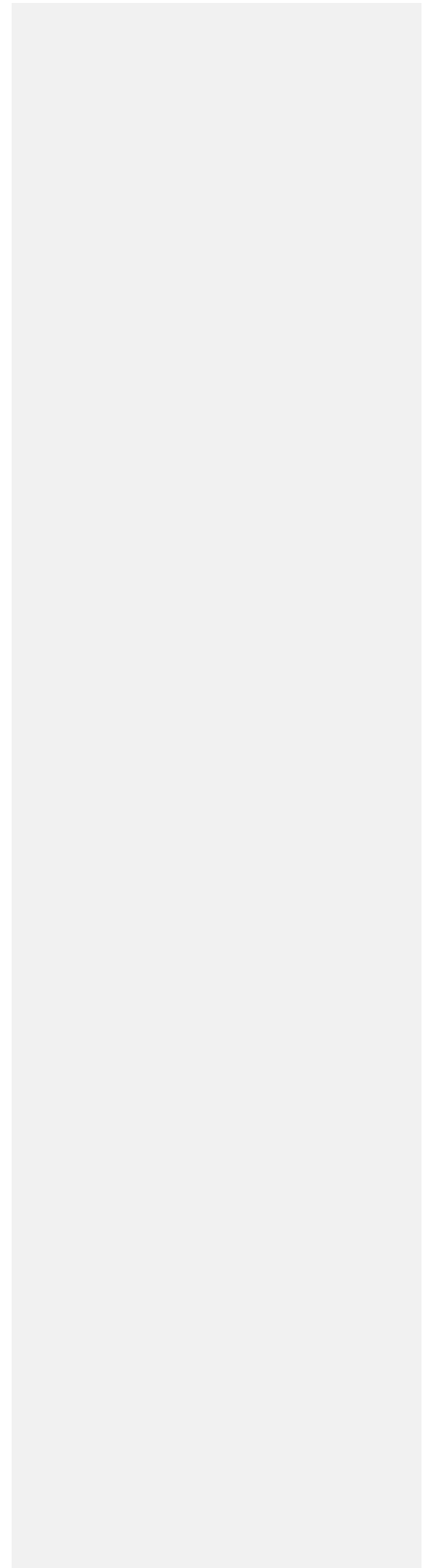








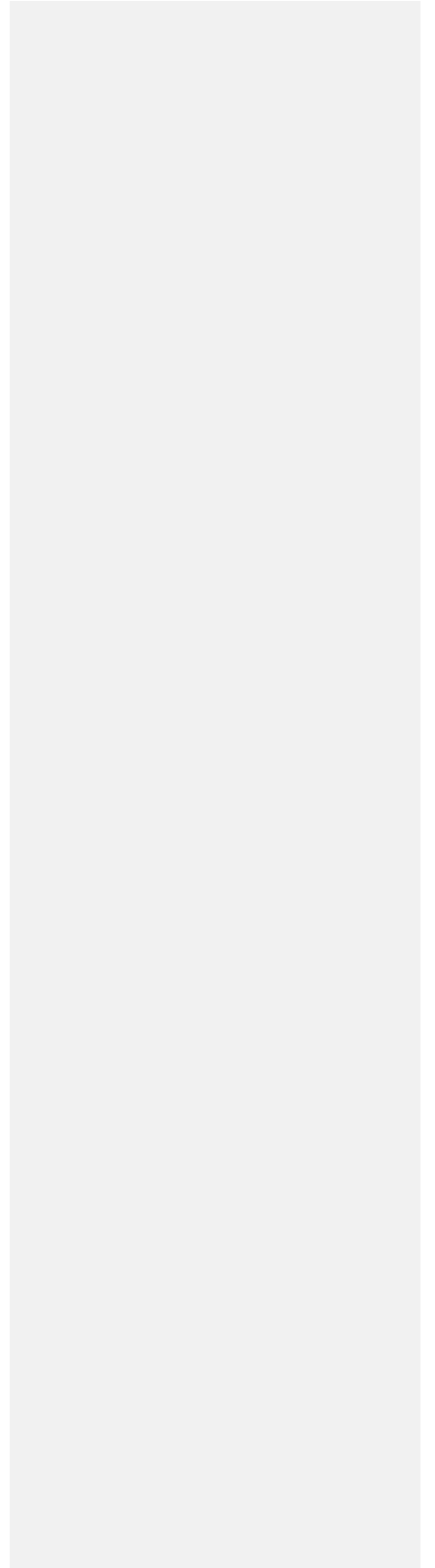














**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Tanya Kruse"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: TAMU USDA grant  
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Tanya:

I'll send you some revisions for my sections – you can use them in the next version.

Talk with you this afternoon. Do we use the same contact information as from yesterday?

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Tanya Kruse [mailto:tkruse@ceres-inc.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 13, 2007 10:13 AM

**To:** Bill Rooney; Steven Thomas; Steven Bobzin; Bonnie Hames; Spencer Swayze; Peter Mascia

**Subject:** FW: TAMU USDA grant

Forwarding some newer info from John... These changes will go into my next draft, once feedback has been provided by all today. Thank you!

*Tanya*

-----Original Message-----

**From:** John Mullet [mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu]

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 13, 2007 7:30 AM

**To:** Tanya Kruse

**Subject:** Re: TAMU USDA grant

Tanya,

I have added a few additional edits on the most recent draft and attached a list of references and my current and pending support list.

Thanks,

John

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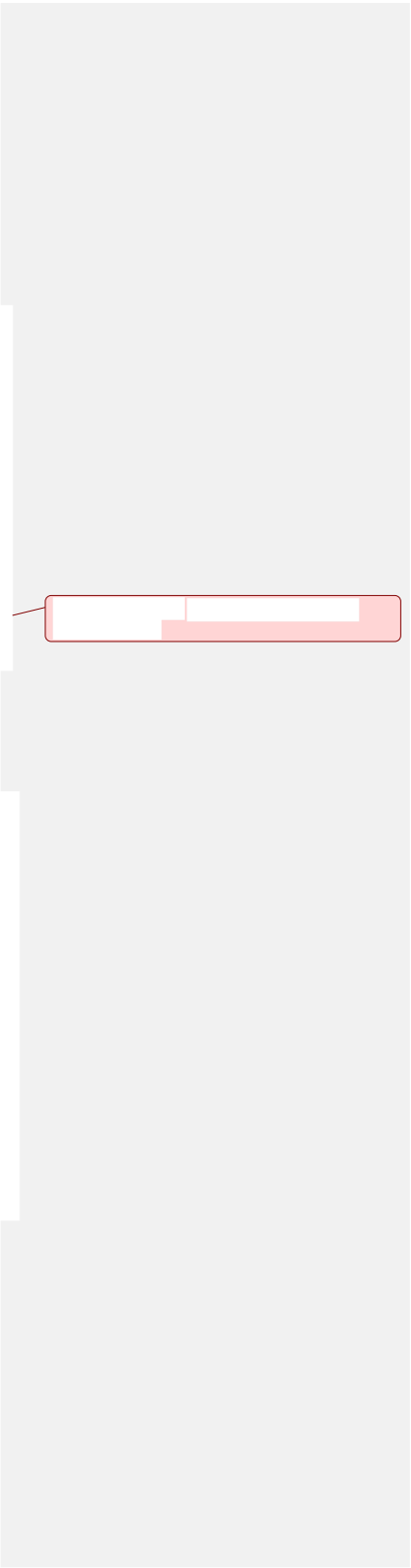


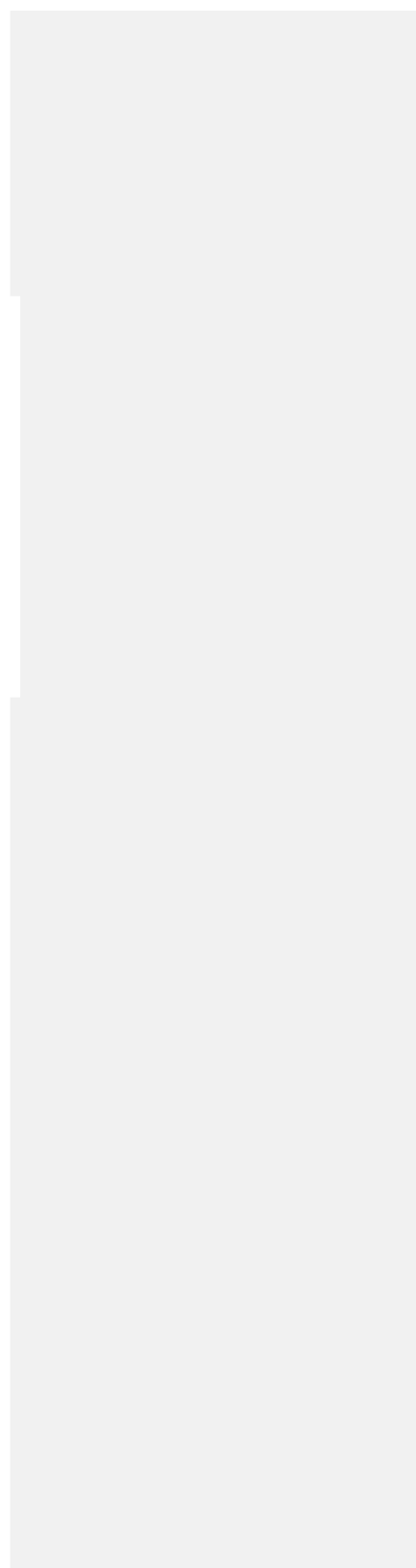
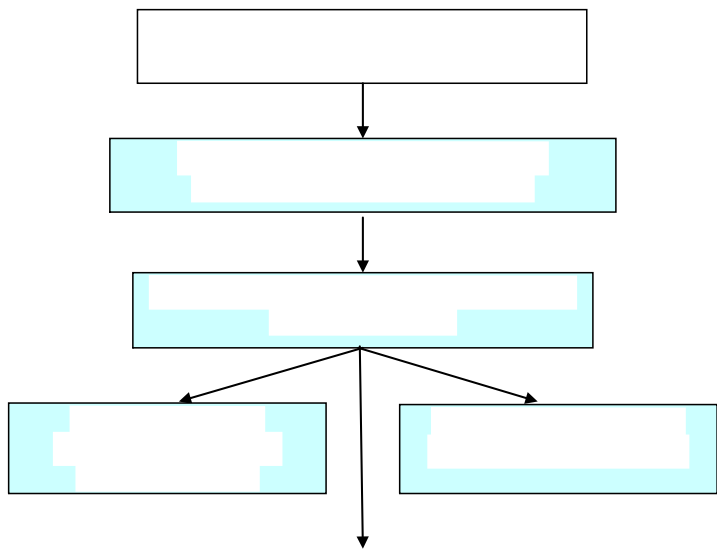


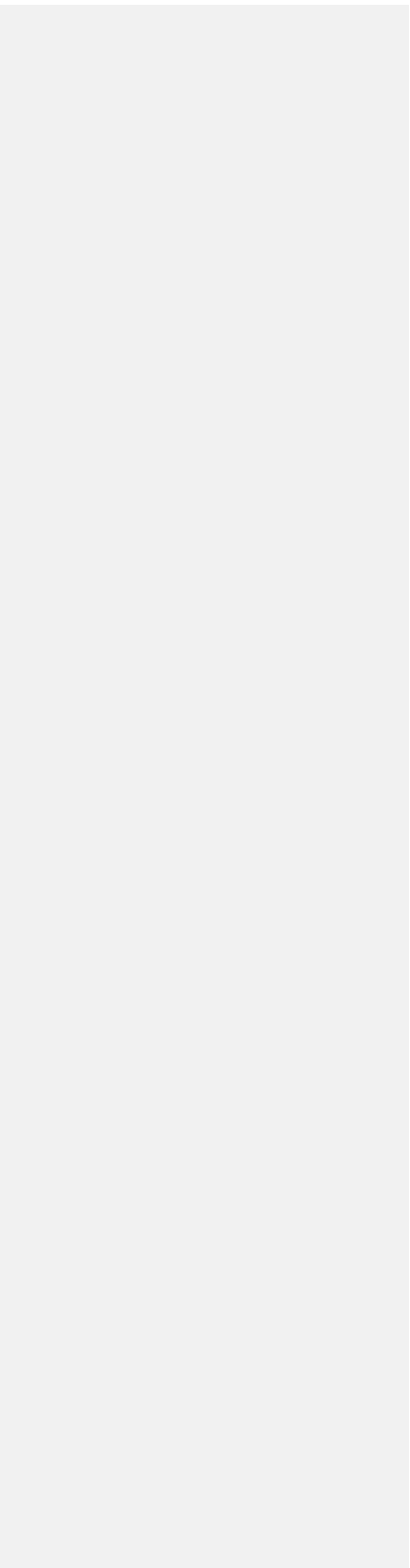
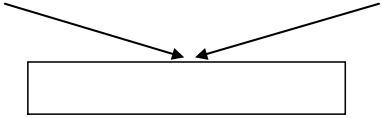










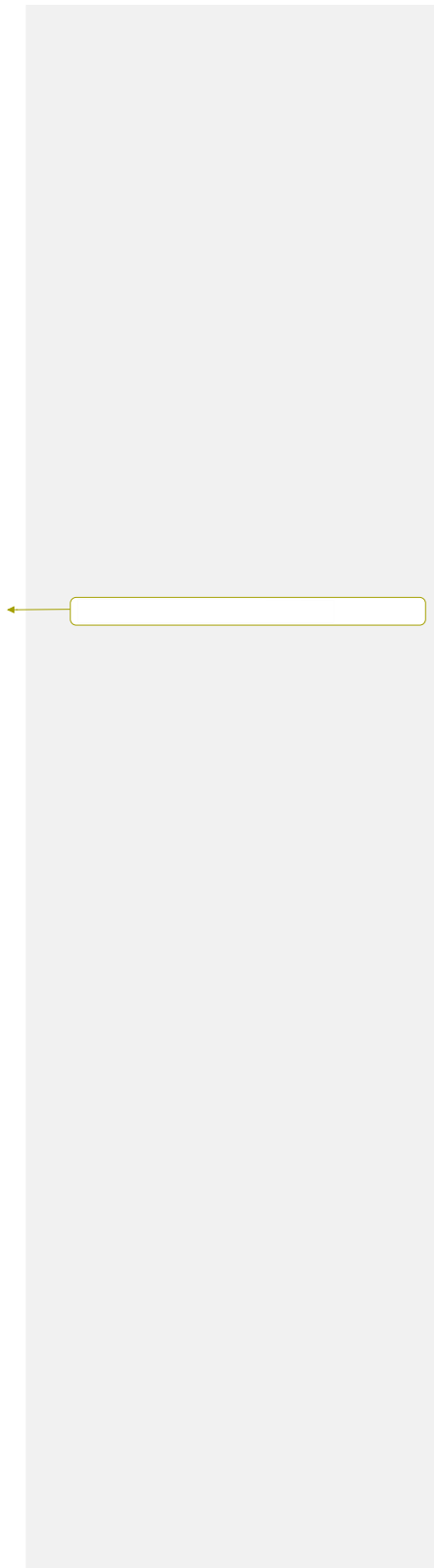




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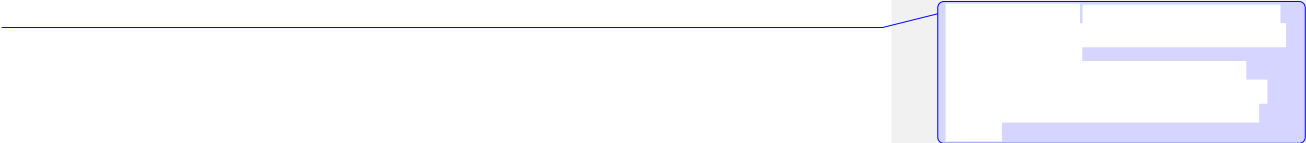
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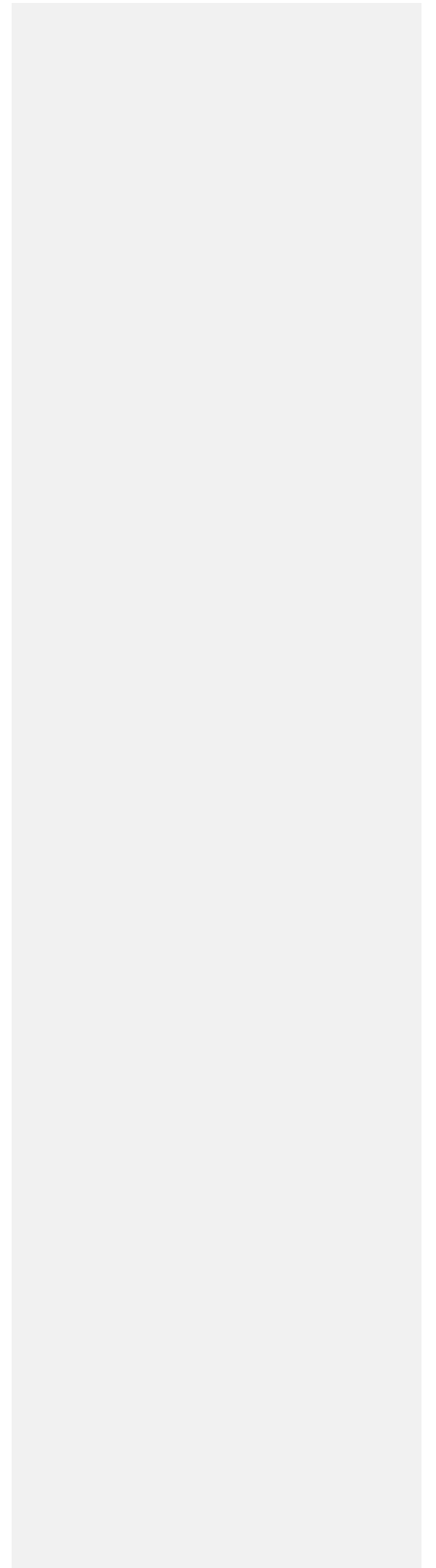
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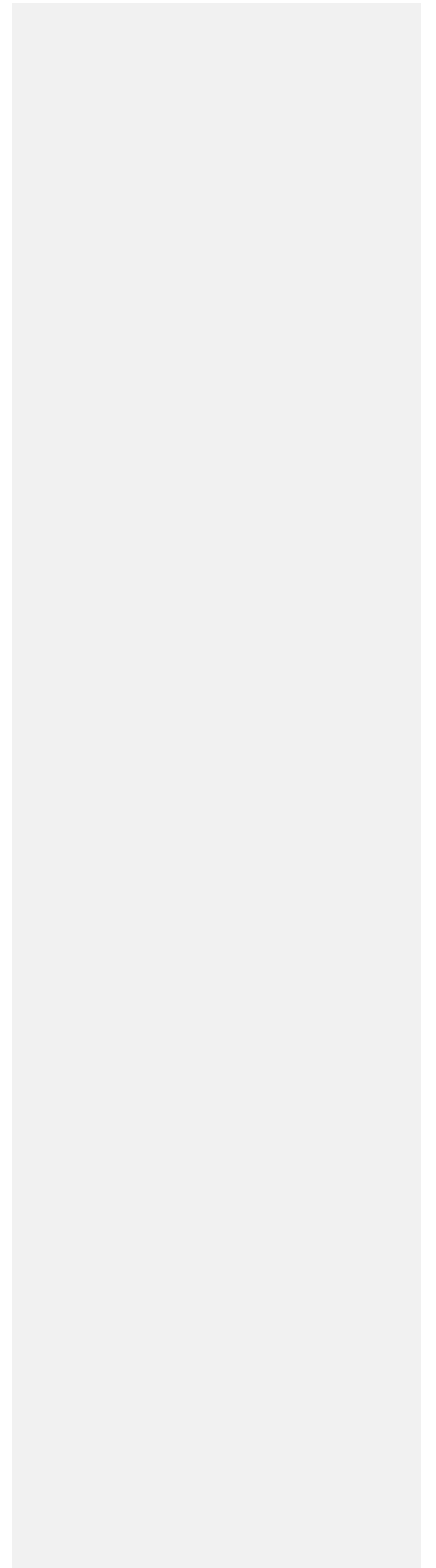






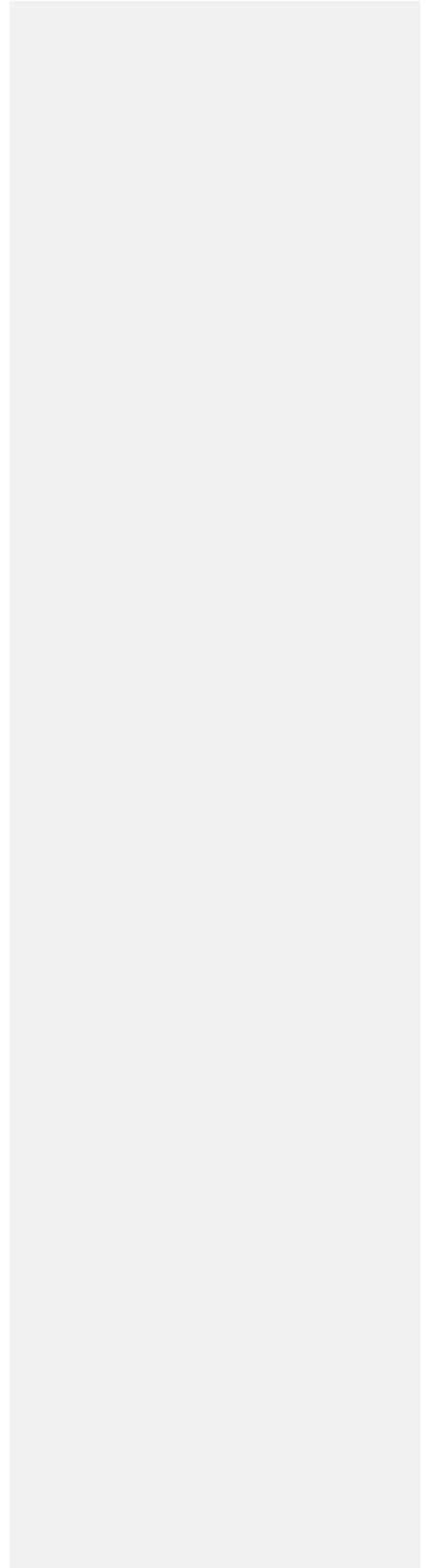
















**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Tanya Kruse"](#)  
**Cc:** ["John Mullet"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Team management  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 14, 2007 4:37:00 PM

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Tanya:

I've taken the Ceres paragraph and added some TAMU information onto the end of it and sewn it together with our collaborative management.

We should be able to check e-mail midday, and you can call me on my cell phone if needed.

Hope it is useful to you.

Regards,

Bill

Dr. William L. Rooney  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Tanya Kruse [mailto:tkruse@ceres-inc.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 14, 2007 4:15 PM

**To:** Bill Rooney; John Mullet

**Subject:** Team management

Steve Thomas put together some text for the "management" section. You have already provided most of the info I need for this section. However, see this last paragraph below. We'll need a similar few sentences on TAMU's management practices. Thank you!

Still waiting for Bonnie's input, but I hope to get you a version today. I know you will be out of town tomorrow, but will you be back in the office on Friday? Will you have e-mail access, just in case we have another question?

*Tanya*

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Teleconference Line  
**Date:** Monday, October 15, 2007 4:30:00 PM

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I'll be there in a second.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spencer Swayze [<mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Monday, October 15, 2007 4:27 PM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: Teleconference Line

Dialing in now. Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
To: "Spencer Swayze" <[sswayze@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com)>  
Sent: 10/15/07 5:17 PM  
Subject: RE: Teleconference Line

Spencer:

Are we ready now?

I'm going to try.

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spencer Swayze [<mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com>]

Sent: Monday, October 15, 2007 4:05 PM

To: Bill Rooney

Subject: Teleconference Line

Bill,

Can we use my teleconference line for the call today? Pete may join.

Best regards,

Spencer P. Swayze

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Teleconference Line  
**Date:** Monday, October 15, 2007 4:15:00 PM

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Spencer:

Are we ready now?

I'm going to try.

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Thanks!  
**Date:** Thursday, February 08, 2007 10:25:00 AM

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Spencer:

I had a great visit yesterday – very impressive – and it seems obvious that this opportunity will be moving forward. I look forward to that and the opportunity that it brings for both groups.

I left a copy of my presentation with Denny and Pete – just ask them for it when you return to CA.

Thanks,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Spencer Swayze [<mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2007 12:53 PM  
To: Wlr@tamu.edu  
Subject: Thanks!

Bill,

I want to thank you for taking the time out of your schedule to travel to Thousand Oaks to visit Ceres. I hope the seminar went well and I am sorry that I missed it. I would enjoy a copy of your slides if possible. I look forward to hearing about the breeding program discussion. If there is anything I can do for you, please let me know.

Best regards,

Spencer Swayze

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: This week  
**Date:** Monday, July 16, 2007 6:36:00 AM

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Spencer:

I'm in Corpus Christi until Wednesday or until it rains so much that I can't work.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Spencer Swayze [mailto:[sswayze@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 16, 2007 12:03 AM  
**To:** John Mullet; Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** [pschuerman@tamu.edu](mailto:pschuerman@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** This week

John & Bill,

It was a pleasure speaking with you guys on Friday afternoon. I wanted to make the two of you aware that I have arrived in College Station and will be here for the remainder of the week. I would enjoy the opportunity to get together with you for lunch or dinner. Let me know if you will be available. I look forward to seeing you both soon.

Best regards,

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Tanya Kruse"](#)  
**Cc:** ["John E Mullet"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: time change on the call?  
**Date:** Sunday, November 11, 2007 8:09:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [DOE-USDA Biomass RD 2007 Ceres TAMU Proposal compiled wlr.doc](#)

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Tanya:

I'll just send these to you, since you are the one putting it all together.

I added the information requested of me to the paragraphs that I had originally developed. I know that they don't belong exactly where they are, but I expect you all will move them as needed. Once they are in the correct location and the writing starts to flow a little better, I can add more information.

We have submitted the budget, statement of work and budget justification to the TAES budget folks. Hopefully they'll have that out quickly.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Tanya Kruse [mailto:tkruse@ceres-inc.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 09, 2007 6:14 PM  
**To:** John Mullet; Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** time change on the call?

I'm so sorry, but it looks like there are some scheduling conflicts for our next call. Can we make it for 12 PM Ceres time, 2 PM TAMU time?

*Tanya*

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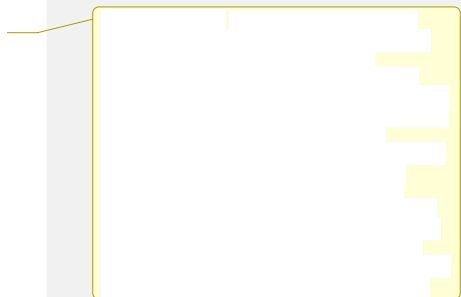
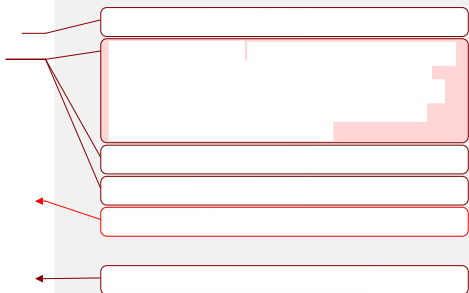
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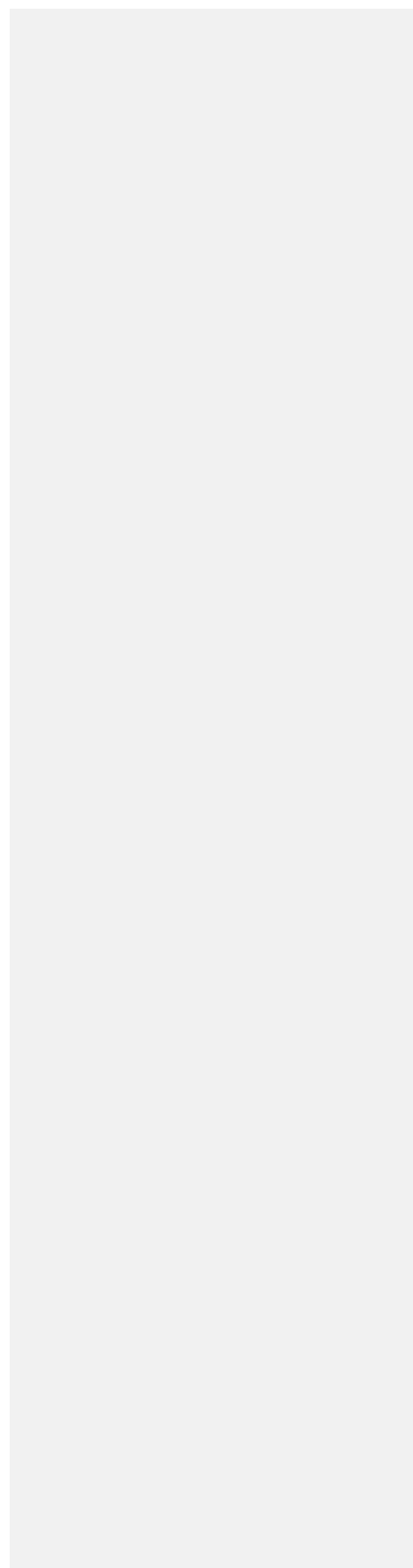
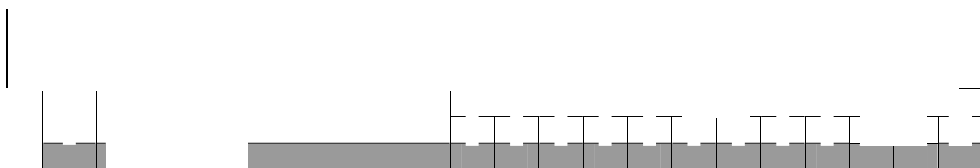
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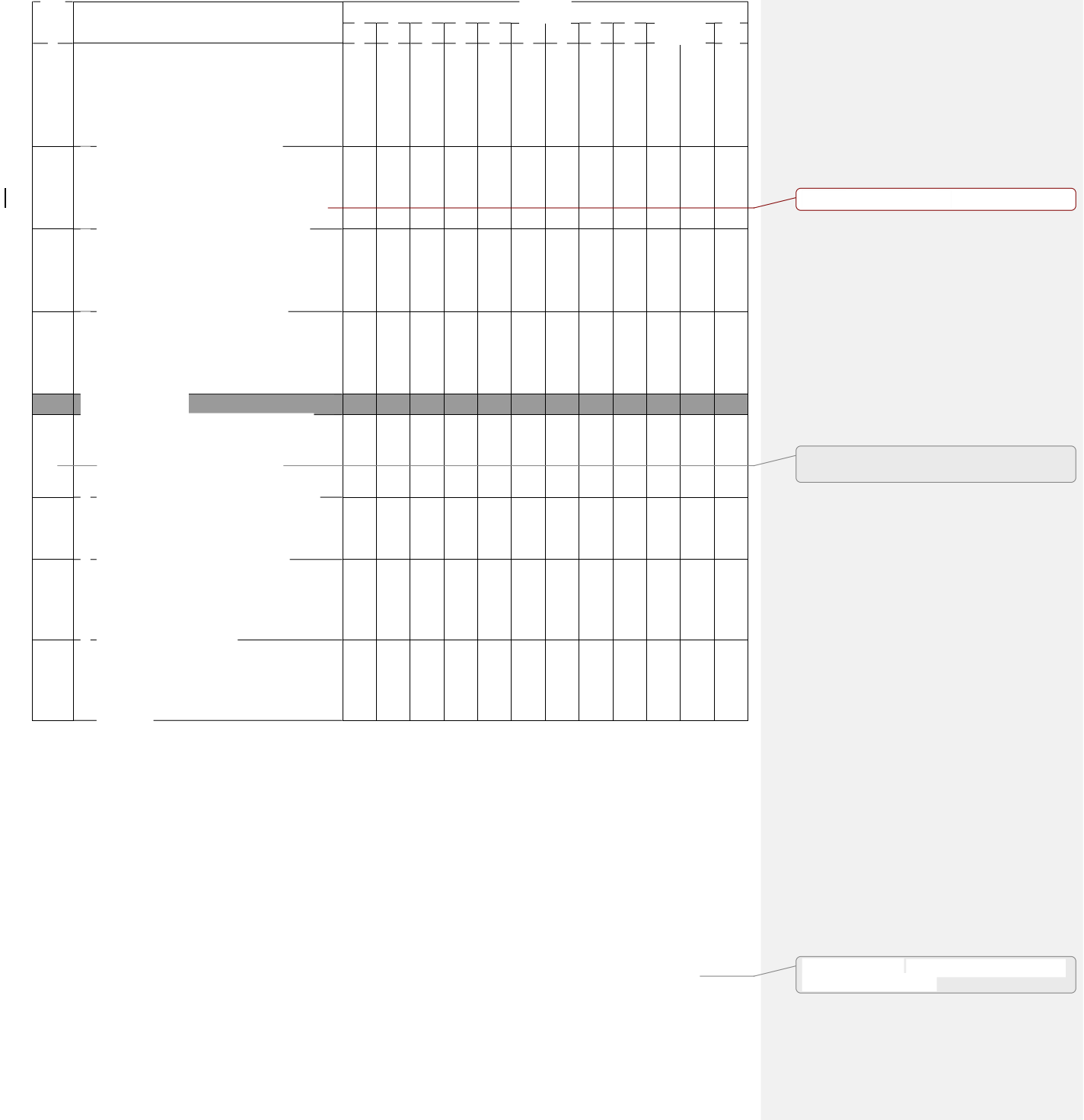
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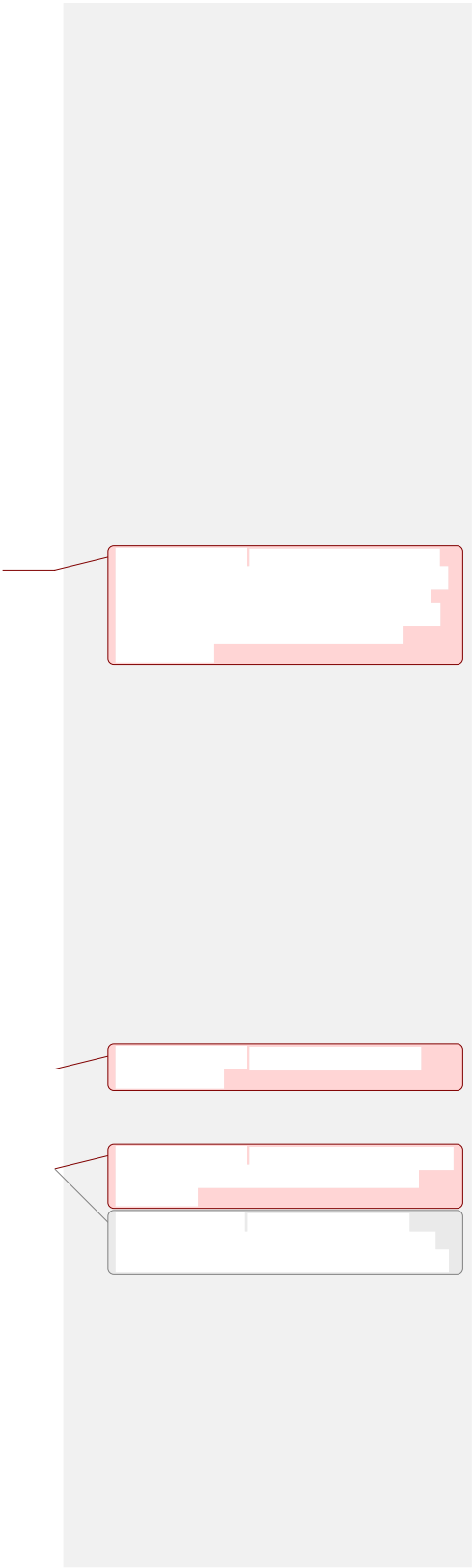










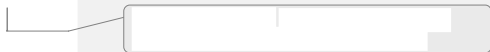
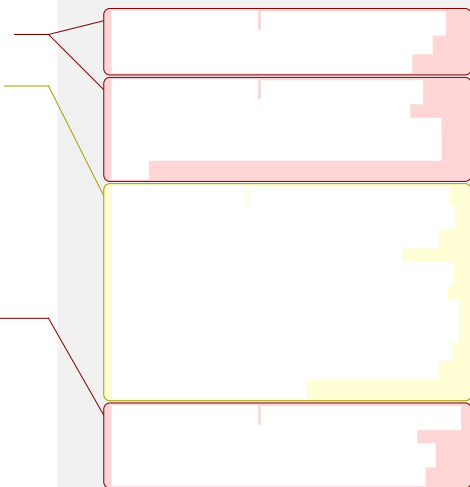


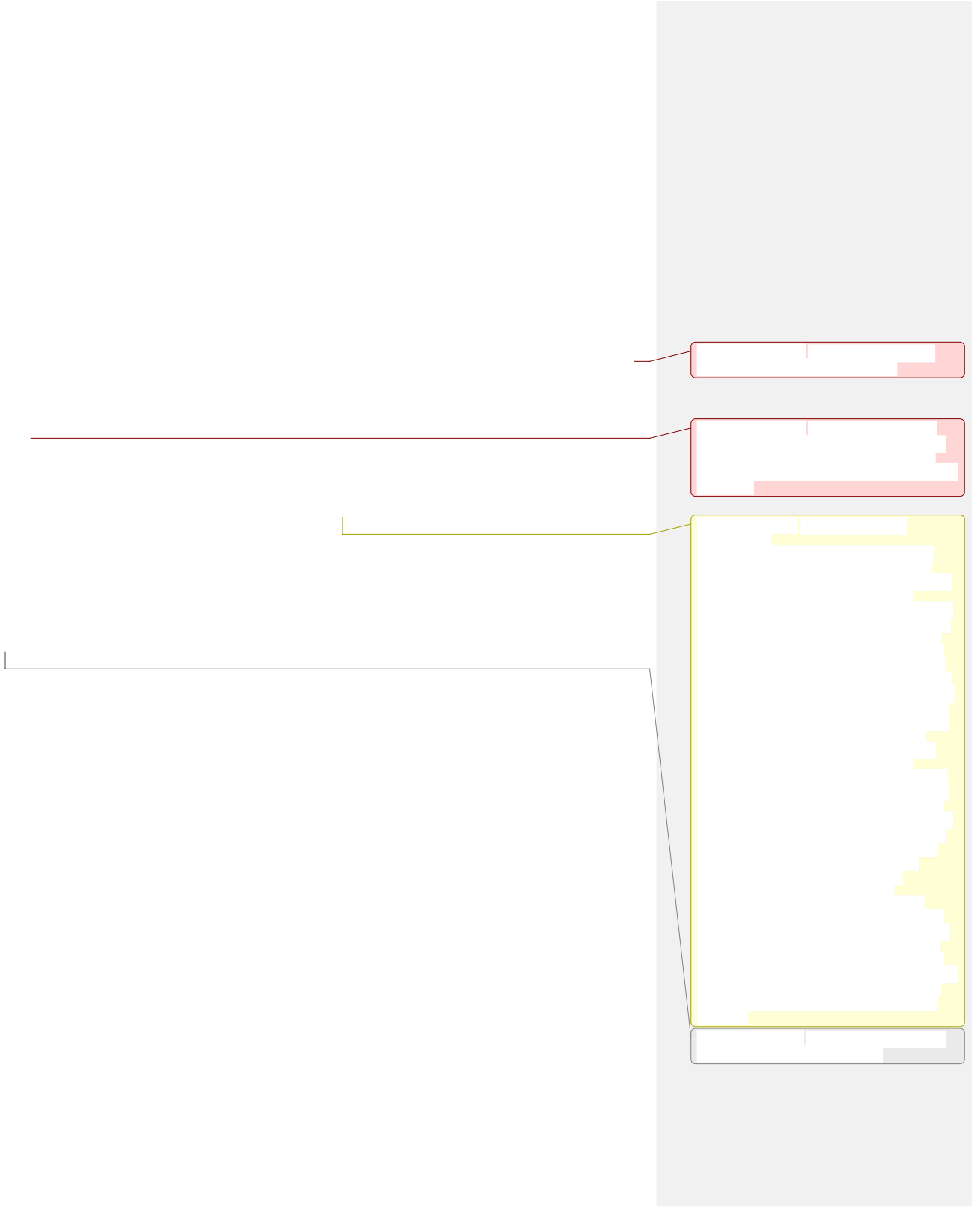


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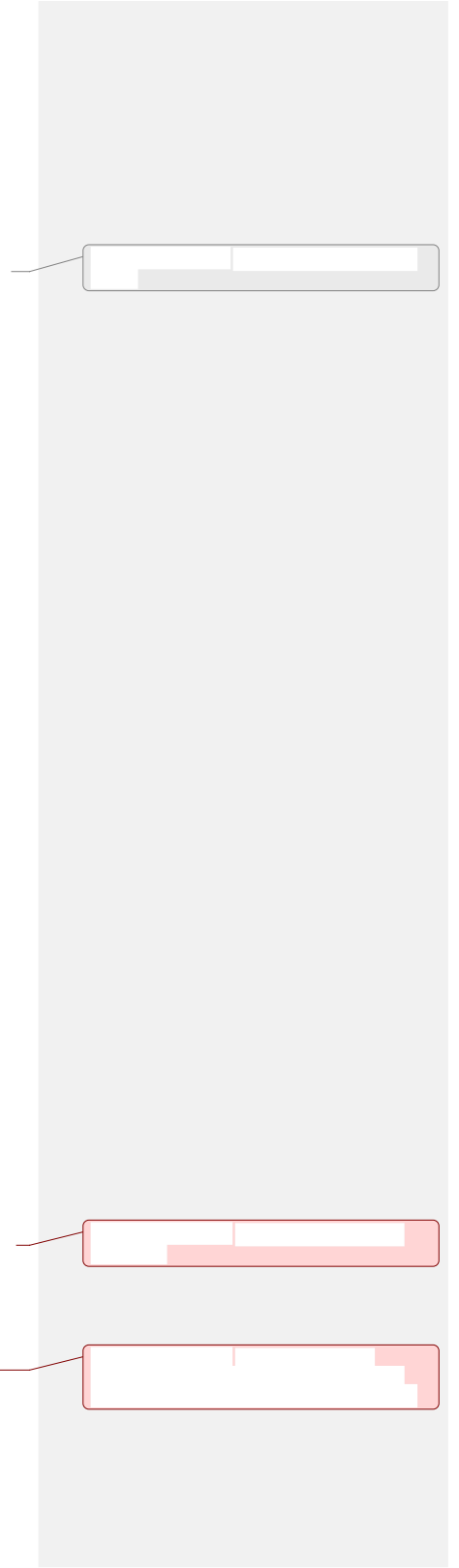
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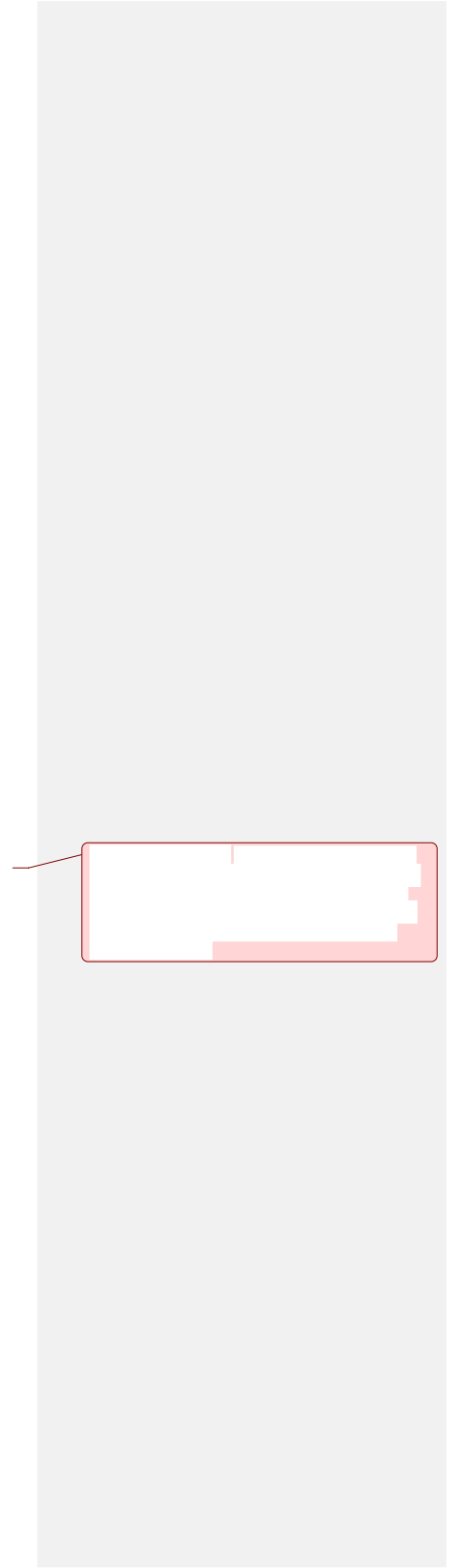












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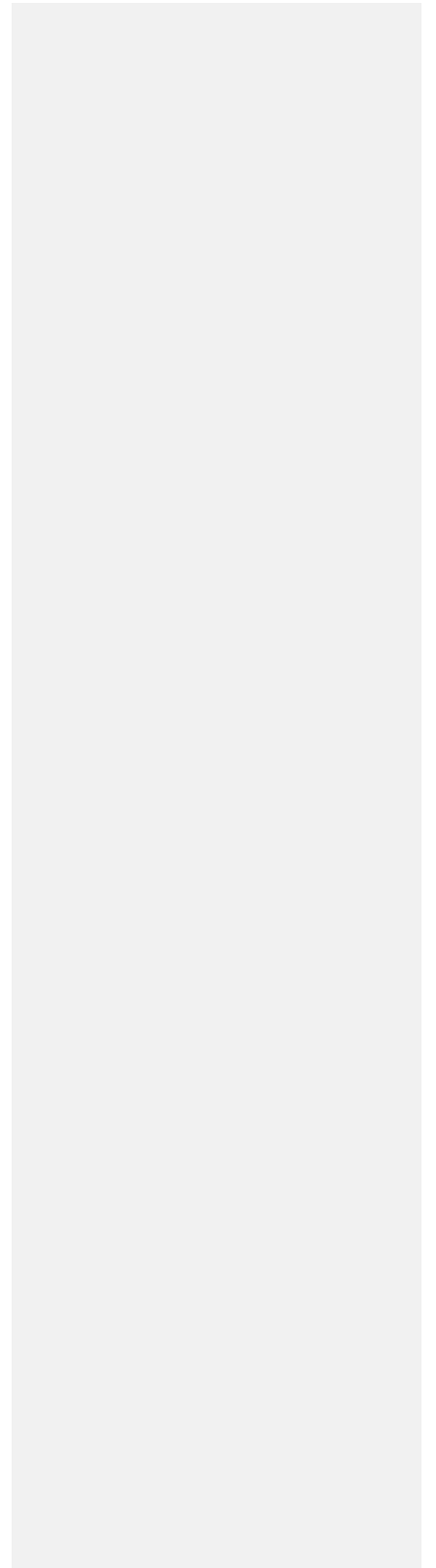








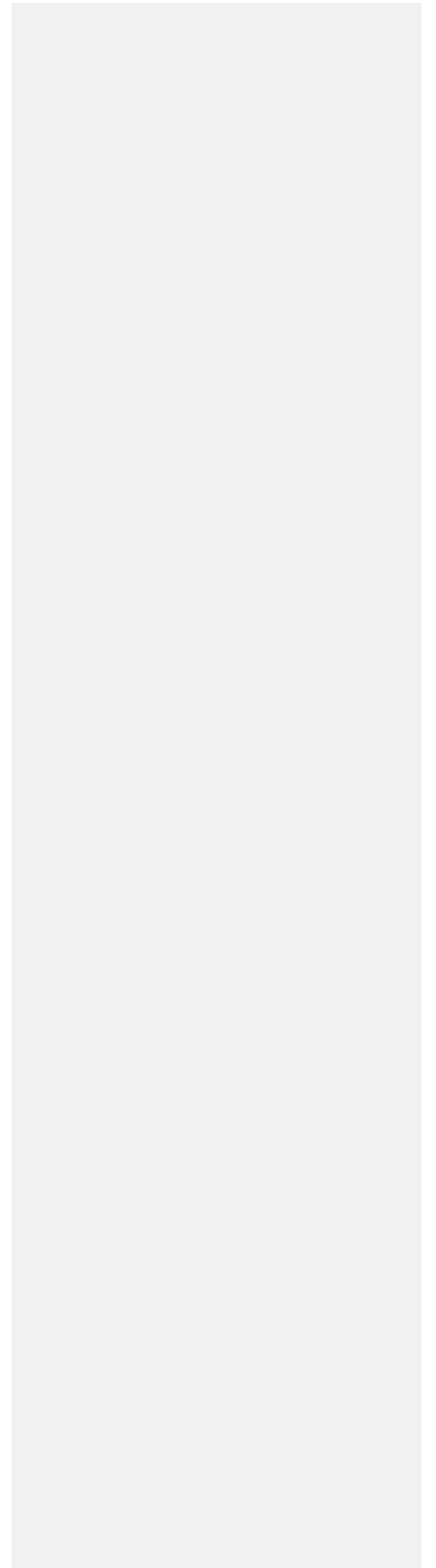






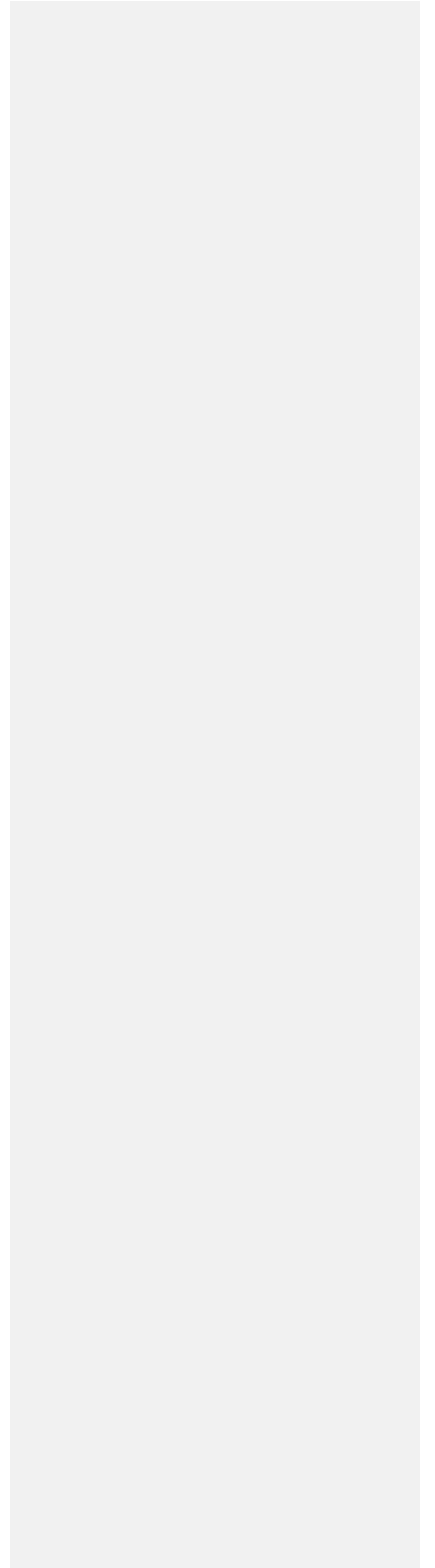
















**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Denichiro Otsuga"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: travel plans Bill Rooney - TAMU  
**Date:** Thursday, February 01, 2007 7:56:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [Rooney Resume - Short Version.doc](#)

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Denny:

I look forward to seeing you and visiting CERES. I've attached a shortened version of my C.V. – I think it should suffice.

As for a seminar title, let's go creative: "Sorghum Improvement: Beyond Grain and Forage"

As for lunch option – pretty much anything BUT sushi – I've lived too long in the South.... If you folks have good Thai, then that sounds great and something we don't have much of here in Texas..

Finally, it sounds like the initial visit by TAMU folks was good – I hope I can continue that level of performance.

See you next week.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Denichiro Otsuga [mailto:[dotsuga@ceres-inc.com](mailto:dotsuga@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 31, 2007 5:42 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** Jackie Zierhut  
**Subject:** RE: travel plans Bill Rooney - TAMU

Bill,

We are looking forward to having you here at Ceres. We had very productive meeting with business people from TAMU and excellent seminar from Dr. Mullet.

Thank you for returning completed W9, we have the check ready for you when you arrive.

Could you please let me know the title of your seminar as well as your CV?

Also, please tell me your preference for the lunch. We can do sandwiches to sushi, I have done Chinese and Thai with my guests in the past.

Looking forward to seeing you next week!

Denny

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**Sent:** Thursday, January 11, 2007 6:14 PM  
**To:** 'Bill Rooney'  
**Subject:** RE: travel plans Bill Rooney - TAMU

Bill,

You will receive a separate email with flight schedule from my assistant Jackie Zierhut.

I was informed by our IT group that there have been email problems today due to server malfunction.

Attached schedule shows people I have lined up to meet with you during your visit.

The seminar attendees will be mostly plant molecular geneticists (Ph.D. and BS). There are few chemists mixed in as well but in large, our agronomy and breeding knowledge is not as high as molecular genetics topics. Though we are having increasingly more agronomy and breeder type people come and speak so we are pretty well educated. Nonetheless, a quick background shows your attention to details and would be appreciated.

Also, could you send me the title of your seminar along with your CV? I will use the CV to make a short introductory talk before your seminar and title to circulate a flyer to PIs.

Lastly, my assistant Jackie will be sending you the W9 form so that we can pay you the honorarium. Please complete the form and return it to me so that I can put it through approval process prior to your visit.

Best regards,

Denny

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**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 11, 2007 4:42 PM  
**To:** Denichiro Otsuga  
**Subject:** travel plans

Denny:

I received a note today indicating that my reply to you on travel had not been received, so I'm sending this to simply confirm that the travel plans you had proposed were acceptable and that it is firm on my calendar.

If possible, send me an e-mail with flight schedule so I have that for reference..... Also, can you provide me with a little insight into the group to whom I will give the seminar. Is it primarily molecular geneticists, or a mix of molecular, breeding, genetics and agronomy? I'd like to tailor it to fit the group if possible.

I look forward to seeing you folks on Feb 6 or 7.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: USDA-DOE Biomass Research and Development Initiative  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 09, 2007 6:23:00 PM

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Spencer

This is good – it is my experience that the prescreening process is pretty tough. We might actually have a chance.

John and I will discuss with Bonnie tomorrow while she is here in College Station.

You were right; things did turn around Saturday night. It seems that Cowboy fans are a little too much like Aggies, they just wait for the inevitable collapse to happen. (There must be history there – given the land grant and little brother status compared to the big brother University (ut/ou).

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Spencer Swayze [mailto:[sswayze@ceres-inc.com](mailto:sswayze@ceres-inc.com)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 09, 2007 3:35 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney; John Mullet  
**Cc:** [mhussey@tamu.edu](mailto:mhussey@tamu.edu); [bmccutchen@tamu.edu](mailto:bmccutchen@tamu.edu); [pschuerman@tamu.edu](mailto:pschuerman@tamu.edu); Bonnie Hames; Steven Bobzin  
**Subject:** USDA-DOE Biomass Research and Development Initiative

Bill & John,

I hope this message finds you well. We received some exciting news last night (please see message below).

. I will schedule a teleconference upon receipt of the feedback. We look forward to working with you on the full proposal.

Best regards,

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From: Bill Rooney [<mailto:wlr@tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2007 11:00 AM  
To: Denichiro Otsuga  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Denny:

That sounds fine.

Regards,

Bill

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From: Denichiro Otsuga [<mailto:dotsuga@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2007 12:50 PM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Hi Bill,

Happy New Year!

I assumed you would like to get back to TX earlier rather than later. So, if you can stay for the second night, we can get you on the flight out from LAX early in the morning, departing 7AM (you would have to leave hotel by at least 5:30AM so it will be an early morning for you). The flight will take you to DFW and after a short layover at DFW, you will be in Collage Station at 2:25PM.

Also, I think getting you a limousine service will be helpful. It will probably save you some time to get here on Tuesday evening and you can sleep in the car on the way to LAX early Thursday morning.

If this sounds good to you, please let me know.

Denny

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From: Bill Rooney [<mailto:wlr@tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2007 7:54 AM  
To: Denichiro Otsuga  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Denny:

Sorry for the slow response - I didn't spend much time on work during the holidays. After looking at the schedules, I think that it will be best to stay a second night and then fly out on Thursday.

Have your people set up a schedule and send it back so we can finalize.

Regards,

Bill

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Sent: Wednesday, December 27, 2006 6:56 PM  
To: [wlr@neo.tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@neo.tamu.edu)  
Cc: Spencer Swayze  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Hi Bill,

I hope you had a good holiday weekend.

Sorry for the later than expected time to give you the flight option.

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If you can stay another night here that would be best but if you have other engagement on Thursday, we will keep this schedule for this visit. We can always schedule another visit later.

Please let me know if you can stay another night here or not.

Thank you,

Denny

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Sent: Sunday, December 24, 2006 1:51 PM  
To: wlr@neo.tamu.edu  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Hi Bill,

Thank you for the reply. I will ask my assistant to looking into the Feb. 6-7 travel plan for you first thing on Tuesday. I should be able to give you some options on the flight by Wednesday.

Have a nice holiday!

Denny

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Sent: Sat 12/23/2006 10:13 AM  
To: Denichiro Otsuga  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Denny:

Sorry for the delay in responding, too many details to iron out and trying to take some time off during the holidays.

It appears the remainder of our group will be in CA Jan 22-23. I will not be able to make it at that time, and thus, I would like to keep the Feb 6-7 date. I could leave Dallas on any flight that leaves after 2:30 pm.

I usually fly either American or Continental as they are the only two that fly direct into College Station. I would like a flight from Dallas to CA and then return back to College Station as I will likely catch a ride to Dallas on Monday. That can be as late as possible so we have maximum time. If you like, I can make the arrangements or just have your folks contact me to approve the schedule.

As for driving, I have no problem driving and a rental will work just fine. Likewise, I don't need a fancy hotel just something convenient and decent near your location.

As we get finalized, let me know what you would like in a seminar and a tentative schedule.

I look forward to the visit! Have a Great Holiday Season!

regards,

bill

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- > rather not have any pressure, we can get you a limousine service.
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- > indicate your morning preference)
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- > breakfast) or drive from breakfast to Ceres, Inc.

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> Arrive Ceres, meet with individual scientists and executives,  
> seminar late morning or early afternoon depending on the schedule  
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> Please let me know general time you would like to leave Dallas on 6th  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Denichiro Otsuga  
> Sent: Saturday, December 02, 2006 12:06 PM  
> To: 'Bill Rooney'  
> Subject: Visit to Ceres  
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> Bill,  
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> I hope you had a good Thanksgiving.  
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> I am sorry for my late reply in getting back to you but it took me a  
> while to ask senior people about length of your stay as many people  
have  
> been out of town. People at Ceres would like you to stay as long as  
> possible but we can keep this visit short and as need arise, we can  
> schedule another visit.  
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>  
> So, how about fly you out from TX on the Monday (1/22/07) morning to  
> arrive at CA in the afternoon. Meet people at Ceres and take you on a  
> tour of our facility. I will arrange for the dinner with selected  
> people for that evening.  
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> Next day, you could do a breakfast with selected people then you can  
> present your seminar in late morning/early afternoon open to everybody  
> at Ceres. After the seminar, I will schedule you for the individual  
or  
> small group meetings. You can take a late afternoon flight out of CA  
so  
> that you can be home at late Tuesday night.  
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> Does this sound good?  
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> If so, I will ask my assistant to coordinate details of the visit with  
> you or your assistant (flight time, airline preference etc.).  
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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Bill Rooney [<mailto:wlr@tamu.edu>]  
> Sent: Thursday, November 16, 2006 2:11 PM  
> To: Denichiro Otsuga  
> Subject: RE: Ceres, Inc.

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> Denny:

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> Unless you folks want a full day and a second night is needed, I would  
> prefer to leave in the late afternoon, rather than early the next  
> morning.

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> Just let me know what days will work and I'll get it on my schedule.

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> Regards,

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> Bill

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Denichiro Otsuga [<mailto:dotsuga@ceres-inc.com>]  
> Sent: Thursday, November 16, 2006 12:50 PM

> To: Bill Rooney  
> Subject: RE: Ceres, Inc.  
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> Bill:  
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> Thank you for your reply.  
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> Because of the distance between TX and CA, it will be at least a  
two-day  
> event for you. First day, we will fly you in then may be a dinner  
with  
> people. Second day, we would like you to present a seminar which is  
> open to everybody at Ceres followed by meetings with the selected  
people  
> either individually or in a small group. We can then put you on a  
> late-afternoon flight back to TX.  
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> If you prefer, we could keep you for the entire second day and put you  
> on the flight in the morning of the third day to TX but it will make  
it  
> a three-day event for you.  
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> I have asked senior managements if we want longer meeting or not but  
do  
> you have a preference in travel schedule?  
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> Please let me know,  
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> Denny  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Bill Rooney [<mailto:wlr@tamu.edu>]  
> Sent: Thursday, November 16, 2006 8:36 AM  
> To: Denichiro Otsuga  
> Subject: RE: Ceres, Inc.  
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> Denny:  
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> The week of Jan 22nd is the best for me. Should I expect to spend a  
day  
> at Ceres? Is there any need for a longer visit?  
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> Regards,  
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> Bill  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Denichiro Otsuga [<mailto:dotsuga@ceres-inc.com>]  
> Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 3:19 PM  
> To: wlr@tamu.edu; jmullet@tamu.edu  
> Cc: Peter Mascia; Clint Johnson; McCutchen, Bill; Spencer Swayze  
> Subject: RE: Ceres, Inc.  
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>  
> Dear Bill and John,  
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> It appears best time to invite you two (separately) will be next year  
> (January).  
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> Bill,  
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> I will start checking availability for the January dates you indicated  
> and get back to you.  
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> John,  
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> If you could let me know your available dates, I would appreciate it.  
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> Thank you,  
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> Denny  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Denichiro Otsuga  
> Sent: Friday, November 10, 2006 10:59 AM  
> To: 'wlr@tamu.edu'; 'jmullet@tamu.edu'  
> Cc: Peter Mascia; Clint Johnson; 'McCutchen, Bill'; Spencer Swayze  
> Subject: RE: Ceres, Inc.  
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> Professors Mullet and Rooney,  
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> It was nice to meet both of you last Wednesday. As we discussed, we  
> would like to invite you two to our facility. I understand that the  
> holiday season is upon us and scheduling may be difficult but if you  
> could let me know your schedule for December and January, I can start  
> looking for the open dates that will fit your schedule on my end.  
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> If you have any questions regarding the visits, please do not hesitate  
> to contact me.  
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> Sincerely,

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> Denny  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Spencer Swayze  
> Sent: Friday, November 10, 2006 9:38 AM  
> To: McCutchen, Bill  
> Cc: 'wlr@tamu.edu'; 'jmmullet@tamu.edu'; Peter Mascia; Denichiro  
Otsuga;  
> Clint Johnson  
> Subject: Ceres, Inc.  
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> Bill,  
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> On behalf of Ceres, Inc., I want to thank you for the opportunity to  
> visit with you in College Station on Wednesday. We very much enjoyed  
> the review of your research focus and capabilities. We believe that  
> there is a lot of potential for a formal relationship between our two  
> organizations and look forward to continuing the dialogue toward our  
> future collaborations. I would like to reiterate our invitation to  
> visit Ceres in Thousand Oaks. Denny will be in touch to schedule a  
> seminar for professors Mullet and Rooney.  
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> I will follow-up with you over the next couple of weeks to learn the  
> results of your internal discussions and to set-up an additional  
> teleconference or additional meeting. In the meantime, please feel  
free  
> to contact me if you have any questions or have ideas on when or how  
we  
> can proceed. Thank you again for your time. I look forward to  
speaking  
> with you again soon.

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> Best regards,

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>  
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> Manager of Business Development  
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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Denichiro Otsuga"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Visit to Ceres  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 03, 2007 12:57:00 PM

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Denny:

That sounds fine.

Regards,

Bill

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From: Denichiro Otsuga [<mailto:dotsuga@ceres-inc.com>]  
Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2007 12:50 PM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Hi Bill,

Happy New Year!

I assumed you would like to get back to TX earlier rather than later. So, if you can stay for the second night, we can get you on the flight out from LAX early in the morning, departing 7AM (you would have to leave hotel by at least 5:30AM so it will be an early morning for you). The flight will take you to DFW and after a short layover at DFW, you will be in Collage Station at 2:25PM.

Also, I think getting you a limousine service will be helpful. It will probably save you some time to get here on Tuesday evening and you can sleep in the car on the way to LAX early Thursday morning.

If this sounds good to you, please let me know.

Denny

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Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2007 7:54 AM  
To: Denichiro Otsuga  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Denny:

Sorry for the slow response - I didn't spend much time on work during the holidays. After looking at the schedules, I think that it will be best to stay a second night and then fly out on Thursday.

Have your people set up a schedule and send it back so we can finalize.

Regards,

Bill

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Sent: Wednesday, December 27, 2006 6:56 PM  
To: wlr@neo.tamu.edu  
Cc: Spencer Swayze  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Hi Bill,

I hope you had a good holiday weekend.

Sorry for the later than expected time to give you the flight option.

Since we have 2hr time difference, it is creating a bit of problem on the return flight.

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Denny

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Have a nice holiday!

Denny

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As we get finalized, let me know what you would like in a seminar and a tentative schedule.

I look forward to the visit! Have a Great Holiday Season!

regards,

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- > seminar late morning or early afternoon depending on the schedule
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> Please let me know general time you would like to leave Dallas on 6th  
> and CA on 7th back to Texas.  
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> Thanks,  
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> Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 3:19 PM  
> To: wlr@tamu.edu; jmullet@tamu.edu  
> Cc: Peter Mascia; Clint Johnson; McCutchen, Bill; Spencer Swayze  
> Subject: RE: Ceres, Inc.

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> Dear Bill and John,  
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> It appears best time to invite you two (separately) will be next year  
> (January).  
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> Bill,

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> I will start checking availability for the January dates you indicated  
> and get back to you.  
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> John,

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> If you could let me know your available dates, I would appreciate it.  
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> Thank you,  
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> Sent: Friday, November 10, 2006 10:59 AM  
> To: 'wlr@tamu.edu'; 'jmullet@tamu.edu'  
> Cc: Peter Mascia; Clint Johnson; 'McCutchen, Bill'; Spencer Swayze  
> Subject: RE: Ceres, Inc.  
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> Professors Mullet and Rooney,  
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> It was nice to meet both of you last Wednesday. As we discussed, we  
> would like to invite you two to our facility. I understand that the  
> holiday season is upon us and scheduling may be difficult but if you  
> could let me know your schedule for December and January, I can start  
> looking for the open dates that will fit your schedule on my end.  
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> If you have any questions regarding the visits, please do not hesitate  
> to contact me.  
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> Sincerely,  
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> Sent: Friday, November 10, 2006 9:38 AM  
> To: McCutchen, Bill  
> Cc: 'wlr@tamu.edu'; 'jmullet@tamu.edu'; Peter Mascia; Denichiro  
Otsuga;  
> Clint Johnson  
> Subject: Ceres, Inc.  
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> Bill,  
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> On behalf of Ceres, Inc., I want to thank you for the opportunity to  
> visit with you in College Station on Wednesday. We very much enjoyed  
> the review of your research focus and capabilities. We believe that  
> there is a lot of potential for a formal relationship between our two  
> organizations and look forward to continuing the dialogue toward our  
> future collaborations. I would like to reiterate our invitation to  
> visit Ceres in Thousand Oaks. Denny will be in touch to schedule a  
> seminar for professors Mullet and Rooney.  
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> I will follow-up with you over the next couple of weeks to learn the  
> results of your internal discussions and to set-up an additional  
> teleconference or additional meeting. In the meantime, please feel  
free  
> to contact me if you have any questions or have ideas on when or how  
we  
> can proceed. Thank you again for your time. I look forward to



speaking  
> with you again soon.  
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> Best regards,  
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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Denichiro Otsuga"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Visit to Ceres  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 03, 2007 9:54:00 AM

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Denny:

Sorry for the slow response - I didn't spend much time on work during the holidays. After looking at the schedules, I think that it will be best to stay a second night and then fly out on Thursday.

Have your people set up a schedule and send it back so we can finalize.

Regards,

Bill

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Sent: Wednesday, December 27, 2006 6:56 PM  
To: [wlr@neo.tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@neo.tamu.edu)  
Cc: Spencer Swayze  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Hi Bill,

I hope you had a good holiday weekend.

Sorry for the later than expected time to give you the flight option.

Since we have 2hr time difference, it is creating a bit of problem on the return flight.

The best we can do is following:

Depart 3PM at DFW and arrive LAX 4:25PM. Considering time for picking up luggage, renting a car, driving to hotel, checking into a hotel, I would say 6:30PM dinner start time is bit optimistic (limousine service might shave off 30min or so). This will be a very late dinner for someone flying in from the Central time zone. I hope you are ok with it.

Return flight is a bigger problem.

The last flight into the Collage Station Airport is 8:05PM arrival from DFW, which leaves DFW at 7PM. In order to arrive at DFW at 7PM, you have to take a flight that leaves LAX at 12:45 (arriving DFW at 6:30).

If you have to catch a 12:45 flight out of LAX, you have to leave Ceres at 11AM. This leaves very little time to spend with us on the February

7.

If you can stay another night here that would be best but if you have other engagement on Thursday, we will keep this schedule for this visit. We can always schedule another visit later.

Please let me know if you can stay another night here or not.

Thank you,

Denny

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From: Denichiro Otsuga  
Sent: Sunday, December 24, 2006 1:51 PM  
To: wlr@neo.tamu.edu  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Hi Bill,

Thank you for the reply. I will ask my assistant to looking into the Feb. 6-7 travel plan for you first thing on Tuesday. I should be able to give you some options on the flight by Wednesday.

Have a nice holiday!

Denny

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To: Denichiro Otsuga  
Subject: RE: Visit to Ceres

Denny:

Sorry for the delay in responding, too many details to iron out and trying to take some time off during the holidays.

It appears the remainder of our group will be in CA Jan 22-23. I will not be able to make it at that time, and thus, I would like to keep the Feb 6-7 date. I could leave Dallas on any flight that leaves after 2:30 pm.

I usually fly either American or Continental as they are the only two that fly direct into College Station. I would like a flight from Dallas to CA and then return back to College STation as I will likely catch a ride to Dallas on Monday. That can be as late as possible so we have maximum time. If you like, I can make the arrangements or just have your folks contact me to approve the schedule.

As for driving, I have no problem driving and a rental will work just fine. Likewise, I don't need a fancy hotel just something convinient and

decent near your location.

As we get finalized, let me know what you would like in a seminar and a tentative schedule.

I look forward to the visit! Have a Great Holiday SEason!

regards,

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> Bill,  
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> As we discussed on the phone the other day, we would like to fly you  
in  
> on February 6 and back to TX on February 7.  
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> Do you have a preference on airline? We will try to accommodate you  
as  
> much as possible. Also, do you like driving in new and strange  
places?  
> If you are do-it-yourselfer, we can get a rental car for you. If you  
> rather not have any pressure, we can get you a limousine service.  
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> 2/6 Late morning or early afternoon flight from Dallas to LAX or  
Burbank  
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> Drive to or picked up by limo to a hotel in Thousand Oaks  
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> Picked up by one of the executives for a dinner  
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> 2/7 Either you can eat on your own or picked up for a breakfast  
(please  
> indicate your morning preference)  
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> Picked up from hotel (if you eat at hotel or you don't eat  
> breakfast) or drive from breakfast to Ceres, Inc.  
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> Arrive Ceres, meet with individual scientists and executives,  
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> Either drive back to airport or picked up by a limo to the  
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> Regards,

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> Bill

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> From: Denichiro Otsuga [<mailto:dotsuga@ceres-inc.com>]  
> Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 3:19 PM  
> To: wlr@tamu.edu; jmullet@tamu.edu  
> Cc: Peter Mascia; Clint Johnson; McCutchen, Bill; Spencer Swayze  
> Subject: RE: Ceres, Inc.  
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> Dear Bill and John,  
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> It appears best time to invite you two (separately) will be next year  
> (January).  
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> Bill,  
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> I will start checking availability for the January dates you indicated  
> and get back to you.  
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> John,  
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> If you could let me know your available dates, I would appreciate it.  
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> Thank you,  
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> Denny  
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> Denichiro (Denny) Otsuga, Ph.D.  
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> Manager of Technology Acquisition and Licensing  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Denichiro Otsuga  
> Sent: Friday, November 10, 2006 10:59 AM  
> To: 'wlr@tamu.edu'; 'jmullet@tamu.edu'  
> Cc: Peter Mascia; Clint Johnson; 'McCutchen, Bill'; Spencer Swayze  
> Subject: RE: Ceres, Inc.  
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> Professors Mullet and Rooney,  
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> It was nice to meet both of you last Wednesday. As we discussed, we  
> would like to invite you two to our facility. I understand that the  
> holiday season is upon us and scheduling may be difficult but if you  
> could let me know your schedule for December and January, I can start  
> looking for the open dates that will fit your schedule on my end.  
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> If you have any questions regarding the visits, please do not hesitate  
> to contact me.  
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> Sincerely,  
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> Denny  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Spencer Swayze  
> Sent: Friday, November 10, 2006 9:38 AM  
> To: McCutchen, Bill  
> Cc: 'wlr@tamu.edu'; 'jmullet@tamu.edu'; Peter Mascia; Denichiro  
Otsuga;  
> Clint Johnson  
> Subject: Ceres, Inc.  
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> Bill,  
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> On behalf of Ceres, Inc., I want to thank you for the opportunity to  
> visit with you in College Station on Wednesday. We very much enjoyed  
> the review of your research focus and capabilities. We believe that  
> there is a lot of potential for a formal relationship between our two  
> organizations and look forward to continuing the dialogue toward our  
> future collaborations. I would like to reiterate our invitation to  
> visit Ceres in Thousand Oaks. Denny will be in touch to schedule a  
> seminar for professors Mullet and Rooney.  
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> I will follow-up with you over the next couple of weeks to learn the  
> results of your internal discussions and to set-up an additional  
> teleconference or additional meeting. In the meantime, please feel  
free  
> to contact me if you have any questions or have ideas on when or how  
we  
> can proceed. Thank you again for your time. I look forward to  
speaking  
> with you again soon.  
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> Best regards,  
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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Tanya Kruse"](#)  
**Cc:** ["John Mullet"](#); ["Bonnie Hames"](#)  
**Subject:** revisions to proposal  
**Date:** Friday, November 16, 2007 10:06:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [DOE-USDA Biomass RD 2007 Ceres TAMU Proposal 11.16.07 wlr.doc](#)

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Tanya:

I've actually read, yes read, the whole document and I've made a few changes with respect to the sections of the proposal for which I can speak intelligently.

Please use as you see fit.

I will assume that we have provided all that we need to and unless I hear otherwise, I will not send any additional information/corrections.

Thanks for the effort!

Regards,

Bill

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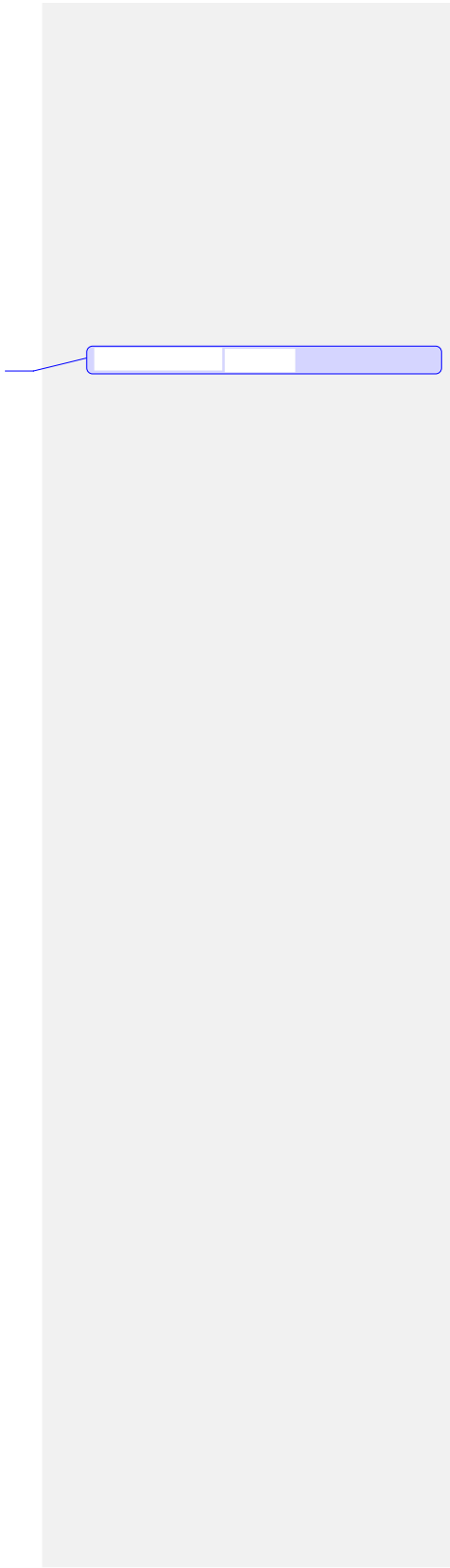




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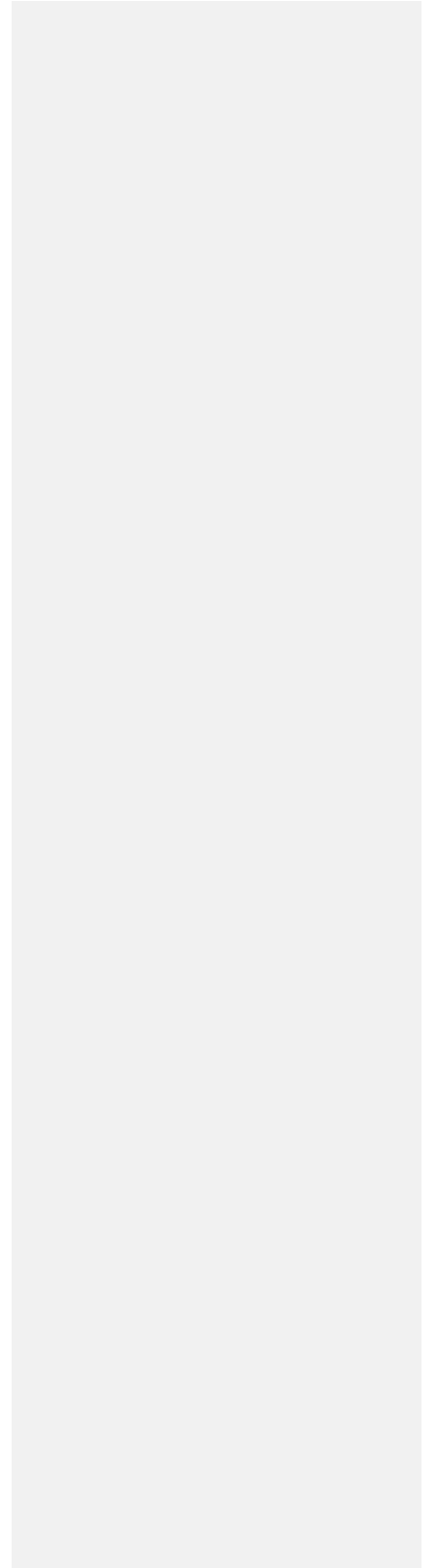
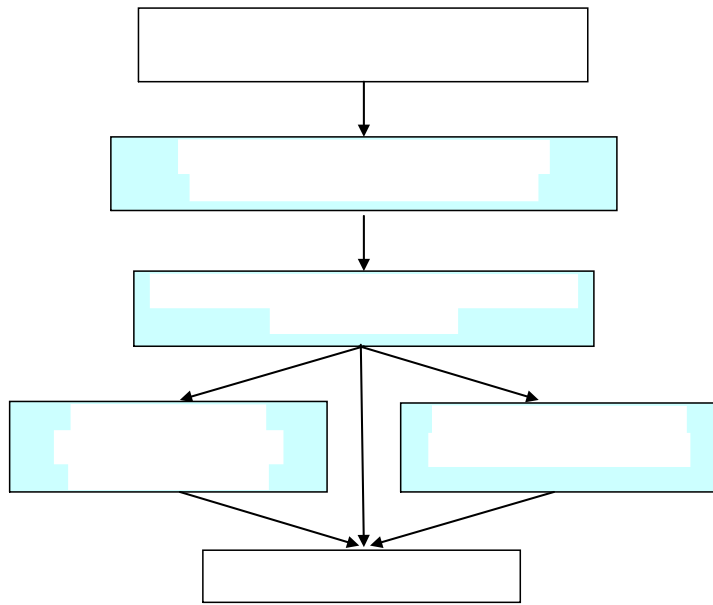








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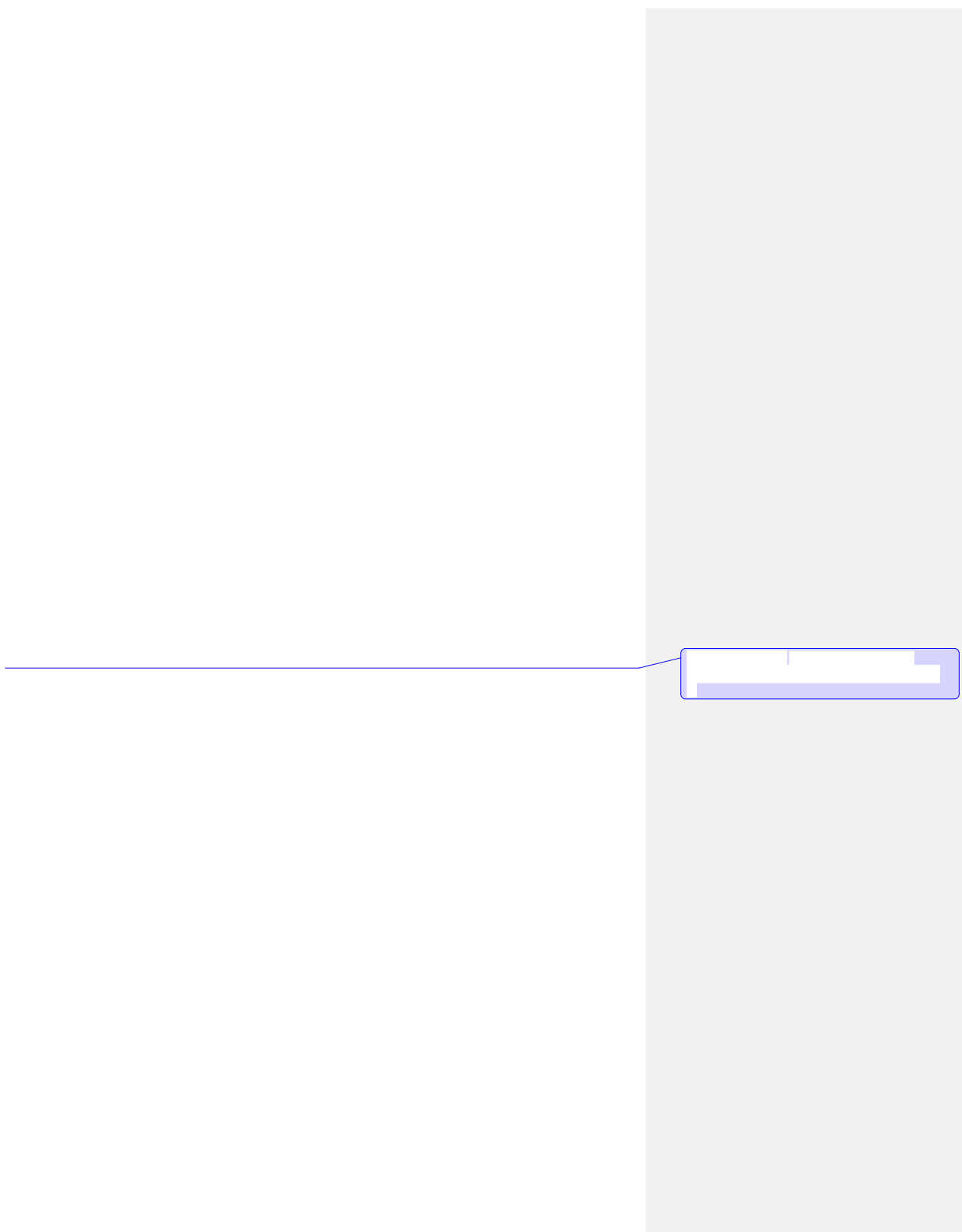


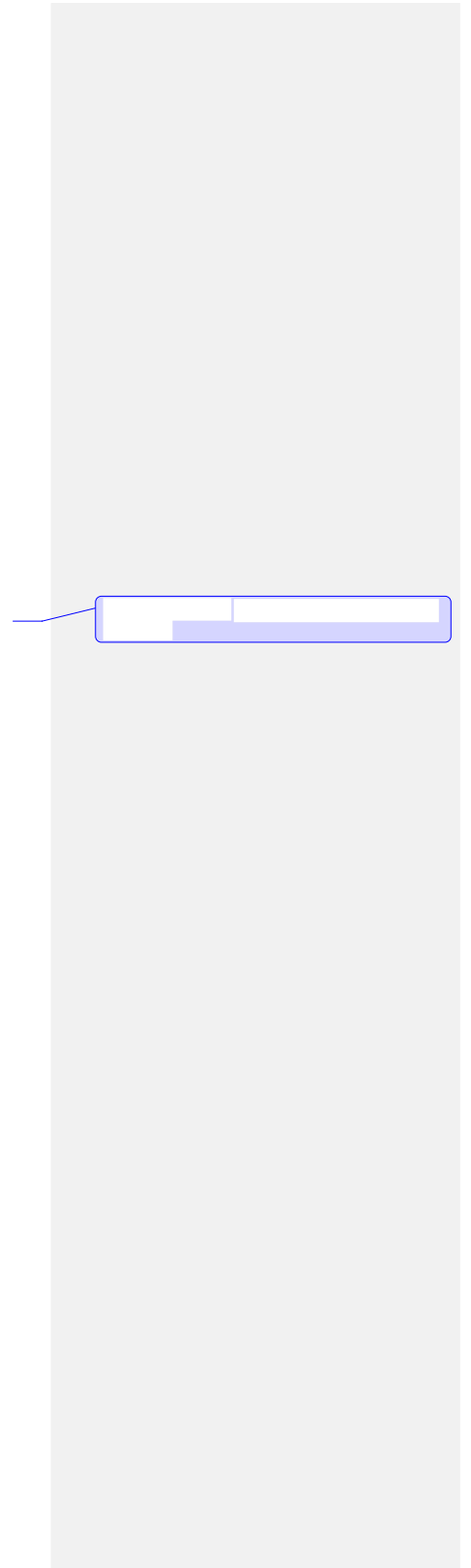
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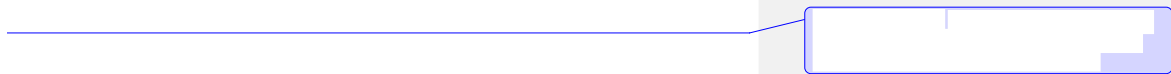














**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Spencer Swayze"](#); ["Peter Mascia"](#); ["Denichiro Otsuga"](#); ["Richard Flavell"](#); ["Steven Bobzin"](#); ["Steven Thomas"](#); ["Emily Heaton"](#)  
**Subject:** Thanks!  
**Date:** Thursday, February 08, 2007 8:18:00 PM

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Greetings all;

I just wanted to thank all of you for the wonderful hospitality and stimulating scientific discussion that I had during my visit yesterday. It was truly enjoyable and I hope (expect) to have more of the same in the future as this relationship develops. It is obvious to me that you folks are serious about developing bioenergy crops and that sorghum is one of these crops. After this visit, I am more convinced than ever that a relationship between TAMU and Ceres would be very beneficial to both groups.

I didn't have e-mail addresses for Bonnie, Ken and Cory (and anyone else that I missed), so please let them know that I appreciate their time during my visit.

Thanks again and Best Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Denichiro Otsuga"](#)  
**Subject:** travel plans  
**Date:** Thursday, January 11, 2007 6:41:00 PM

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Denny:

I received a note today indicating that my reply to you on travel had not been received, so I'm sending this to simply confirm that the travel plans you had proposed were acceptable and that it is firm on my calendar.

If possible, send me an e-mail with flight schedule so I have that for reference..... Also, can you provide me with a little insight into the group to whom I will give the seminar. Is it primarily molecular geneticists, or a mix of molecular, breeding, genetics and agronomy? I'd like to tailor it to fit the group if possible.

I look forward to seeing you folks on Feb 6 or 7.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**To:** ["Tanya Kruse"](#)  
**Cc:** ["John Mullet"](#)  
**Subject:** updated facilities  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 14, 2007 1:51:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [DOE Facilities TAMU.doc](#)

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Tanya:

I've added our facilities statement to John's document. Changed the name to TAMU

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