

**From:** [Anderson, Jason Correnth](#)  
**To:** [wlr; hbz7049](#)  
**Subject:** disseratation and research update  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 14, 2009 6:07:31 PM

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Dear Drs. Rooney and Zhang,

I will be updating my dissertation as I complete my Southern Hybridizations and subsequent FISH experiments. I will be using LG-02 BACs as probes and genomic DNA from various Sorghum species as targets. I will also use these BACs again as FISH probes to validate the results of the Southernns and the previous research I have already conducted.

The deadline has past for me to officially graduate in December so my main focus is to complete all of my work, defend and have my dissertation into the thesis office by the end of the semester. I have been doing plenty of networking with a few companies and the job prospectus looks very bright. I am awaiting my co-chairs to finish proofing the first draft of the dissertation and once they finish, I will send it to you. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to tell me.

Jason

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**From:** [Rodomiro Ortiz](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** IJA/729870: Review Request  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 14, 2009 8:03:15 PM

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Dear Prof. Rooney,

International Journal of Agronomy has received a Research Article titled "Anthracnose Disease Response for Sorghum Breeding Lines Developed from Ethiopian Germplasm," by John E. Erpelding, submitted for possible publication in the journal. As the editor in charge of this manuscript, I would be grateful if you can review this manuscript and submit a review report in a timely manner. The PDF file of the manuscript is available at the following URL:

<http://mts.hindawi.com/921188314873.pdf>

Please let me know whether you will be able to review this manuscript (and how much time you will need to submit your review report) using the following URL:

<http://mts.hindawi.com/921188314873.html>

With many thanks and best regards,

Rodomiro Ortiz



**From:** [Virgil Smail](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](#); Brent Bean; [dbaltensperger@tamu.edu](#); [d-gilliland@tamu.edu](#)  
**Cc:** [Virgil Smail](#); Jeff Dahlberg; Tim Lust  
**Subject:** Needed action and update on United Sorghum Checkoff Program R0023-09  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 8:21:27 AM

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Dear Bill, This email is to ask for an update and some action on the USCP/TAMU contract R0023-09 "Establishing the relationship between forage and sorghum composition and bioenergy composition values" for \$35,347. The payment schedule on this contract was changed and approved by USDA on Sept 29, 2009. Per the contract we now need to be invoiced for 50% of the value of the contract (\$17,673). We would also like an update on the progress of the research. Following receiving an update we can be invoiced for 25% of the contract. Once the final report is due, we can be invoiced for the final 25% of the project. We would like to get an invoice and an update so we know that this project has been activated by TAMU. Thanks.

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Cell 806-577-4644

**From:** [Lavery, Cara](#)  
**To:** [Lavery, Cara](#)  
**Subject:** QR by 3 p.m. CST today (10/15/09)  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 9:40:03 AM  
**Importance:** High

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Hello,

My compilation of third quarter Sun Grant Quarterly Reports is due to the US-DOT today. They have been very adamant about each center getting these in on time. Please get your missing report to me by **3 p.m. CST today** so I can turn these in on time to our funding agency.

Thank you in advance,

Cara

Cara Lavery  
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**From:** [Pam Wilhelm](#)  
**To:** [Carol Rhodes](#)  
**Cc:** [David Baltensperger](#)  
**Subject:** Required Information to process a payment  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 9:55:37 AM  
**Importance:** High

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**\*\* High Priority \*\***

Good Morning all,

Just need to send all of you a reminder concerning submitting invoices for payment. There is some information that is required or we cannot submit your invoices for payment. You MUST write the following on your invoice:

DATE GOODS OR SERVICE RECEIVED

ACCOUNT NUMBER FOR PAYMENT

P.O. NUMBER

SIGNATURE (all invoices require a signature)

if it is for any type of food we have to have the 5 w's (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY)

We appreciate your help. If this information is available on the invoice when you turn it in it saves a lot of time in processing. Thanks so much for helping us out.

Pamela K. Wilhelm  
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**From:** [Prihoda, Karen L](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Re: pam benton  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 11:34:15 AM

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Good Morning:

We had a great time in PR. It is on the desk in the top tray. Have you heard when Dr. Rosenow funeral will be?

Thanks,  
Karen

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

From: "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu>  
To: "Karen L Prihoda" <k-prihoda@tamu.edu>  
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 9:15:34 AM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
Subject: pam benton

Karen:

I hope retirement is going well and I hope you had a good trip to Puerto Rico.

I need to find the files and forms for the Australian student who is coming to work with us next year. Can you tell me where you left those files?

Thanks,

Bill

Dr. William L. Rooney

Professor, Sorghum Breeding and Genetics

Chair, Plant Release Committee

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**From:** [Walter Nelson](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Phone call  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 12:17:29 PM

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Hey Bill,

Hope you had a good trip. Wanted to give you a call to ask about A&M's harvesting experience with sorghum. The good news is that the large block of sorghum you saw in Louisiana with Bud and I ended up looking really good. The bad news is that 60mph winds last week knocked a lot of it down.

Wanted to ask you about your experiences from the hurricane last year and what type of harvester you are using before we get on the phone to do damage control, if any, etc...

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**From:** [Rene Clara](#)  
**To:** [John Yohe](#); [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Cc:** [bmora@costarricense.cr](mailto:bmora@costarricense.cr); [francisco.enciso@iica.int](mailto:francisco.enciso@iica.int)  
**Subject:** Coordination INTSORMIL-IICA  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 12:46:52 PM

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Dear Dr. John and Bill,

I have told with Dr. Francisco Enciso, of the SICTA with head office in IICA, Costa Rica, about of INTSORMIL-SICTA coordination to deliver the Directors of the Research Institutes of the region, the new BMR forage sorghum varieties, so that they could do their own selections with the advice of the INTSORMIL.

Both Dr. Enciso and Dr. Bernardo Mora, Executive Director of the SICTA, they would like having an introduction conversation with you on the role of the INTSORMIL in Central America and the coordination with the SICTA, to develop this activity and others to future.

The direction of Dr. Mora is:

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The direction Dr. Enciso is:

[francisco.enciso@iica.int](mailto:francisco.enciso@iica.int)

I would like they will communicate with them to have a better formality.

Ragards,

René Clará V.

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**From:** Helms, Adam  
**To:** Bill Rooney; Stelly, David; Avant, Bob; McCutchen, Bill; ssearcy@tamu.edu; Juerg Blumenthal  
**Subject:** RE: STO slides  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 1:50:49 PM

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Thanks Bill, I fixed the slide. I've given David's comments quite a bit of thought today, and completely agree less verbage is the better route. However, in this case, the person presenting the slides is not someone who is as knowledgeable of the subject matter as you, John or David. Therefore, it is probably better that more verbage is used to get the right message across in this particular situation than succinctness – just my opinion.

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**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 1:20 PM  
**To:** Helms, Adam  
**Subject:** RE: STO slides

Adam:

I think this is fine. David's comments are good and anything to reduce verbage is good, but that is also difficult.

On the fifth slide (harvest slide) there is a distracting outline that trails from the slide. If you cut the slide out and repaste, you can remove it.

That's all.

Bill

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**From:** Helms, Adam [mailto:ahelms@dsml.tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 9:53 AM  
**To:** Avant, Bob; Mullet, John E.; Bill Rooney; Stelly\_David; ssearcy@tamu.edu; Juerg Blumenthal  
**Cc:** McCutchen, Bill  
**Subject:** RE: STO slides  
**Importance:** High

Please review updated slideset to include key 18 mo/36 mo metrics and budget slides. I tried to be as succinct as possible in the slides. Bob – we discussed keeping it to 15 slides, but I do not know if that is possible due to the sheer size and diversity of this project – right now it sits at 20 slides, so by my math that is \$1.1 million per slide. (Current estimate project cost - \$22,096,094)

There is a chance Dr. Giroir will not have the opportunity to review this before submission tomorrow due to his travels.

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**From:** Avant, Bob  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 7:44 AM  
**To:** Mullet, John E.  
**Cc:** McCutchen, Bill; Helms, Adam  
**Subject:** Re: STO slides

Also need to include budget and timeline slides. The PPT may be the most important thing we submit because it will be used to sell our proposal internally. I'm traveling today but can look at changes on my iPhone throughout the day

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 15, 2009, at 6:53 AM, "John Mullet" <[jmullet@tamu.edu](mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu)> wrote:

Bob,

The STO slides need to be reviewed by Brett to get his input.

John

On Oct 14, 2009, at 5:41 PM, Avant, Bob wrote:

> Adam,  
>  
> I just checked the Gantt chart on Project. It is well done. But the  
> Goals do not agree with the current narrative version. You need to  
> make  
> sure that the Gantt chart and PPT agree with the narrative before you  
> send it out.  
>  
> Everyone: you need to scan all documents for fatal flaws and provide  
> comments to Adam before COB tomorrow.  
>  
> Bob Avant  
> Program Director  
> Texas AgriLife Research  
> 979/845-2908  
> 512/422-6171 (Cell)  
> [bavant@tamu.edu](mailto:bavant@tamu.edu)  
> <http://agbioenergy.tamu.edu>  
>  
> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Avant, Bob  
> Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2009 4:10 PM  
> To: Mullet, John E.  
> Cc: Helms, Adam; McCutchen, Bill; Avant, Bob  
> Subject: Re: STO slides  
>  
> Adam  
>  
> Check PPT carefully against narrative re goals. They are different.

> Also at end there are several Goal 3 slides. Also make sure  
> milestones and metrics agree.  
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> Sent from my iPhone  
>  
> On Oct 14, 2009, at 3:51 PM, "John Mullet" <[jmullet@tamu.edu](mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu)> wrote:  
>  
>> Adam,  
>>  
>> Attached is a revised STO slide set. We will need Dr. Giroir's input  
>> before finalizing. Right now there are two versions of the Vision  
>> slide (slides 2, 3), and three versions of GOAL 3 Deliverables/  
>> Metrics. Not sure exactly how much detail is needed or who will be  
>> using the slides.  
>>  
>> Thanks,  
>>  
>> John  
>>  
>> <DARPA\_STO slides\_081409.ppt>  
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**From:** [Rene Clara](#)  
**To:** [John Yohe](#); [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Coordination of INTSORMIL-SICTA  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 2:45:35 PM

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Dear Dr. John and Bill,

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Ragards,

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**From:** Rene Clara  
**To:** raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni  
**Cc:** [redacted] evega@inta.gob.ni; Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** Re: [Fwd: Re: visita Rene Clara]  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 4:12:24 PM

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Payo,

Pienso que la semana del 23 al 27 de Noviembre o la semana del 30 de Noviembre al 4 de Diciembre/ sería buena mi visita junto co9n el Dr. Bill Rooney. Podríamos estar en Nicaragua unos 2 días y otros 2 días en El Salvador, mas un día de viaje.

Esperemos a ver que dice el Dr. Bill.

What do you think Dr. Bill?

Saludos,

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**De:** "raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni" <raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni>  
**Para:** Rene Clara <  
**CC:** raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni; [redacted] evega@inta.gob.ni  
**Enviado:** jue, octubre 15, 2009 12:36:03 PM  
**Asunto:** Re: [Fwd: Re: visita Rene Clara]

> Rene:

No se si con estas fechas de siembra vos podes estimar la fecha de tu próxima visita. Te adelanto que en Estelí nos va a atender el Ing. Julio Molina ya que el Ing. Rodolfo Valdivia trabaja para INTA hasta hoy 15 de octubre.

Payo

>

> Gracias por la información, esta interesante saber de los resultados. En  
> mi visita tenemos que ver esto.

>  
> Saludos,  
>  
> René Clará V.  
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> De: "raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni" <raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni>  
> Para: [redacted]; evega@inta.gob.ni  
> Enviado: mar, octubre 13, 2009 11:47:53 AM  
> Asunto: [Fwd: Re: visita Rene Clara]  
>  
> Rene:  
>  
> Te reenvío correo de Federico Baltodano con fechas y arreglos de siembra  
> de producción de semilla del híbrido ESHG-3.  
>  
> Los arreglos son:  
>  
> Siembra simultánea: 3 de septiembre  
> Siembra en arreglo el 3 el macho y el 7 la hembra  
> Siembra en arreglo el 3 la hembra y 7 el macho.  
>  
> Rafael Obando  
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> ----- Mensaje original -----  
> Asunto: Re: visita Rene Clara  
> De: "Federico Baltodano" <[redacted]>  
> Fecha: Lun, 12 de Octubre de 2009, 4:42 pm  
> Para: raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni  
> -----  
>  
> Rafael la siembra del sorgo ESHG 3 fue el 3 de Septiembre, la siembra de  
> sorgo simultaneo y  
> 4 dias despues el macho primero y la hembra despues. gracias Federico B.  
> ----- Original Message -----  
> From: <raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni>  
> To: <raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni>  
> Cc: <hpdroza@ibw.com.ni>; <rvaldivialo@hotmail.com>;  
> [redacted]  
> [redacted]  
> <vizaguirre@inta.gob.ni>; [redacted]

> <imarcha@inta.gob.ni>;  
> <mobando@inta.gob.ni>; <mearcia@inta.gob.ni>;

> [Redacted]  
> [Redacted]  
> [Redacted]

> Sent: Friday, May 15, 2009 4:26 PM

> Subject: Re: visita Rene Clara

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>> ----- Mensaje original

> ----- Mis estimados amigos:

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> Les recuerdo que deben poner en su programacion semanal el viaje a Managua

> al CNIAB el día jueves 21 para presentar los resultados del proyecto

> INTSORMIL en 2008 y la propuesta de actividades para 2009. Nos vemos ese

> día en CNIAB. Iniciamos a las 8:30 am

>

> Rafael Obando

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>> Amigos:

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>> Adjunto les envio la agenda a desarrollar durante la visita del Ing.

>> Rene

>> Clara que sera del 19 al 22 de mayo. La agenda por dia es la siguiente:

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>> Martes 19: Viaje de San Salvador a Managua

>> Miercoles 20: Viaje a Posoltega a ver lote de produccion de semilla del

>> hibrido de grano blanco ESHG-3 en la finca de Federico Baltodano.

>> Jueves 21: Reunion con todos los investigadores que llevan proyectos

>> INTSORMIL para revisar informe 2008 y el plan de actividades para 2009

>> Viernes 22: Viaje de Managua a San Salvador.

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>> El dia jueves 21 la reunion sera en CNIAB iniciando a las 8 am. Cada

>> responsable de proyecto debe hacer una presentacion de los resultados de

>> 2008 para analizarlos y recibir recomendaciones de elaboracion de

>> informes

>> para INTSORMIL. Ademas se haran recomendaciones a las propuestas de

>> actividades a desarrollar en 2009. Pueden iniciar las gestiones de

>> logística para el viaje a managua afectando el proyecto INTSORMIL.

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>> Asunto: Re: Presentación propuestas y evaluación externa.

>> De: [Redacted]

>> Fecha: Mar, 5 de Mayo de 2009, 9:13 am

>> Para:

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>>> Rene:

>>

>> Muchas gracias por tu comprension. Al mismo tiempo que te envie el plan

>> lo

>> voy a enviar a los funcionarios de INTA para que ellos lo aprueben. Tal

>> vez seria bueno que hicieramos el plan de trabajo para enviarlo a las

>> regiones para que los investigadores regionales lo incorporen en su

>> programacion de actividades y obtengan el permiso y los medios para  
>> viajar  
>> a Managua a la reunion. Propongo la siguiente agenda:  
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>> Miercoles 20: Viaje a Posoltega a ver lote de produccion de semilla del  
>> hibrido de grano blanco ESHG-3.  
>> Jueves 21: Reunion con todos los investigadores que llevan proyectos  
>> INTSORMIL para revisar informe 2008 y el plan de actividades para 2009  
>> Viernes 22: Viaje de Managua a San Salvador.  
>>  
>> Rafael Obando  
>>  
>>  
>>  
>> Payo,  
>>>  
>>> Te esperamos esta semana, pero envíame propuestas ya discutidas y  
>>> revisadas en INTA.  
>>>  
>>> Yo siempre te he dicho que utilices fondos del INTSORMIL para  
>>> comunicarte  
>>> en un Cyber. Creo que INTA no te puede restringir esta opción. De esta  
>>> manera podemos avanzar.  
>>>  
>>> Sigo con el plan de llegar el 19 de los corrientes para trabajar 20, 21  
>>> y  
>>> regresar el viernes 22. Mi prioridad es discutir el nuevo plan de  
>>> trabajo  
>>> 2009-2010 y ver la producción de semilla del híbrido ESHG-3 donde  
>>> Federico  
>>> Valtodano, caso que haya sembrado. Si quieres agregar algo mas a este  
>>> programa lo puedes hacer.  
>>>  
>>> Saludos,  
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>>>  
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**From:** Wayne Thompson  
**To:** Dustin Borden  
**Cc:** Juerg Blumenthal; Robert Myatt; Delroy Collins; Bill L Rooney  
**Subject:** Forage Harvester and Weigh Wagon  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 4:47:46 PM

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Dustin,

I hope that all is well ...

I spoke with Bill yesterday afternoon about setting up an agreement for use of your forage harvester and weigh wagon. Could you come up with an hourly rate that we could pay to help defray your operation and maintenance costs?

We have quite a bit of area at Buffalo Ranch, the rotation study with Cothren, and all of the trials in Field 111. We would like to record yields with the weigh wagon on the Cothren trial and at Buffalo Ranch. We need to hand-harvest our single-cut varieties ASAP (very wet) and follow with your harvester ... in total, maybe 25 hours (?).

Thank you,  
- Wayne

**From:** James Osborne  
**To:** Dr. Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** RE: 2009-2010 Puerto Rico Winter Nursery and Growout Service.  
**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 8:51:41 PM

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Thanks Bill, you are on the list for the 300 rows. If you find you need more we can handle it.  
Good to hear from you, thanks again,  
Jim

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**From:** wlr@tamu.edu  
**To:** kjo64@msn.com  
**CC:** delroy@tamu.edu; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: 2009-2010 Puerto Rico Winter Nursery and Growout Service.  
**Date:** Sat, 10 Oct 2009 23:11:08 -0500

Jim:

I would like 300 plots arranged in 12 rows (6 beds) and 25 ranges. Plots 1 and 2 should be on the same bed, so I'll use 6 full beds only.

We'll get the seed to you before Nov 10.

Thanks for coordinating this again.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** James Osborne [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2009 12:41 PM  
**To:** Dr. Bill Rooney; Dr. Cleve Franks; Dale Wimmer; delroy@tamu.edu; Donnie Swink; Dr. Gary C Peterson; Dr. George Graef; Dr. Gebisa Ejeta; [REDACTED] jerry; Jianming Yu; Prihoda, Karen L; Dr. Kassim Al-Khatib; Leslie L Korte; mmolina@ksu.edu; Mitch Tuinstra; Nathan Boardman; Reba Cargile; sbrown; Shan Podduturi; Sharon E. Mitchell, Ph.D.; Stephen Kresovich; Tesfaye Tesso; Lemming, Terry R.; Mark Stelter  
**Subject:** 2009-2010 Puerto Rico Winter Nursery and Growout Service.

All,

It is that time of year again!

Crosbyton Seed Company will once again be offering the winter (Off Season) Nursery and Grow out planting Service in the Indios Valley of Puerto Rico. I will have you ship your seed to me here in Kansas, I will assemble it for nursery planting, then forward it to the Crosbyton Seed Company personnel in Puerto Rico. Once again because of family concerns I will not personally be planting again this year, however, the highly experienced employees who planted last season will be planting again this year.

Some points to remember or information for those of you that will be working with us for the first time:

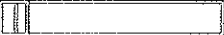
PLEASE try and send your nurseries to me by November 10 so I can have them in planting order and in Puerto Rico for planting the week following Thanksgiving.

Package your seed in the 2 3/8" x 4 1/4" coin envelopes with the 1/4" hole in the flap

and the top of the packet stapled **below** the hole. If you need nursery planting packets they will be available from Crosbyton Seed Company, let us know and we will send them to you as soon as possible.

Plan your nurseries in multiples of 25 or 50 plot increments, (fields will be 25-15 ft. plots long, 2 rows wide = 50 plots/bed).

Be sure and let me know if you want row 1&2 on the same bed or if you want row 1 on the right side of bed #1 and row 2 on the left side of bed #2 so you can work your material walking in the furrow between beds.

Please include your nursery field map so we are sure to plant your nurseries the way you want them. You can also email your maps to me at 

If any of you have special herbicide experiments I recommend 3 beds/6 rows buffer between treatments to help reduce the chance of drift from resistant onto non-resistant material. The sprayer is 7 beds/14 rows wide, we can spray using just the one side of the sprayer boom (4 beds/8 rows) minimum coverage on one pass.

Please let me know AS SOON AS YOU CAN the approximate number of rows/beds you will be using this year so we can get the land reserved and prepared.

If you know of anyone interested in this service that I have inadvertently missed please forward this email to them or let me know so I can contact them personally. It appears that we will have more corn this year and in the coming years so please include those interested in winter corn nursery space also.

**Thank you all**, I look forward to another productive year for the Corn and Sorghum Research Community!! If you have any questions, please, give me a call or send an email.

Please find attached the price schedule for 2009-2010, which remains the same as 2008-2009 prices.

Regards,

Jim Osborne  
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**From:** Rene Clara  
**To:** Bill Rooney; raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni  
**Cc:** [redacted]; evega@inta.gob.ni  
**Subject:** Re: [Fwd: Re: visita Rene Clara]  
**Date:** Friday, October 16, 2009 10:10:22 AM

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Dr. Bill,

We would come to Managua on Monday 30 evening. We would work on Tuesday and Wednesday in Nicaragua and would sleep in Choluteca (Wednesday) On Thursday we go to El Salvador and we would work on Friday at SA and SCP, sleeping in hotel it surrounds airport. Saturday (Dec. 5) you return to Texas.

Regards,

René Clara V.  
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**De:** Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu>  
**Para:** Rene Clara <[redacted]> raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni  
**CC:** [redacted] evega@inta.gob.ni  
**Enviado:** vie, octubre 16, 2009 8:05:47 AM  
**Asunto:** RE: [Fwd: Re: visita Rene Clara]

Rene and Rafael

23-27 Nov – NO  
30- 4 Dec – YES

We start in Nicaragua and go to Salvador?

Regards,

Bill

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Chair, Plant Release Committee

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**From:** Rene Clara [mailto:  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 4:09 PM  
**To:** raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni  
**Cc:** [redacted]; evega@inta.gob.ni; Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** Re: [Fwd: Re: visita Rene Clara]

Payo,

Pienso que la semana del 23 al 27 de Noviembre o la semana del 30 de Noviembre al 4 de Diciembre/ sería buena mi visita junto co9n el Dr. Bill Rooney. Podríamos estar en Nicaragua unos 2 días y otros 2 días en El Salvador, mas un día de viaje.

Esperemos a ver que dice el Dr. Bill.

What do you think Dr. Bill?

Saludos,

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**De:** "raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni" <raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni>  
**Para:** Rene Clara <  
**CC:** raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni; [redacted]; evega@inta.gob.ni  
**Enviado:** jue, octubre 15, 2009 12:36:03 PM  
**Asunto:** Re: [Fwd: Re: visita Rene Clara]

> Rene:

No se si con estas fechas de siembra vos podes estimar la fecha de tu próxima visita. Te adelanto que en Esteli nos va a atender el Ing. Julio Molina ya que el Ing. Rodolfo Valdivia trabaja para INTA hasta hoy 15 de octubre.

Payo  
>

> Gracias por la información, esta interesante saber de los resultados. En  
> mi visita tenemos que ver esto.

>

> Saludos,

>

> René Clará V.

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> Para:

> CC: [evcga@inta.gob.ni](mailto:evcga@inta.gob.ni)

> Enviado: mar, octubre 13, 2009 11:47:53 AM

> Asunto: [Fwd: Re: visita Rene Clara]

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> Rene:

>

> Te reenvío correo de Federico Baltodano con fechas y arreglos de siembra  
> de producción de semilla del híbrido ESHG-3.

>

> Los arreglos son:

>

> Siembra simultánea: 3 de septiembre

> Siembra en arreglo el 3 el macho y el 7 la hembra

> Siembra en arreglo el 3 la hembra y 7 el macho.

>

> Rafael Obando

>

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> ----- Mensaje original -----

> Asunto: Re: visita Rene Clara

> De: "Federico Baltodano" <[raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni](mailto:raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni)>

> Fecha: Lun, 12 de Octubre de 2009, 4:42 pm

> Para: [raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni](mailto:raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni)

> -----

>

> Rafael la siembra del sorgo ESHG 3 fue el 3 de Septiembre, la siembra de  
> sorgo simultaneo y

> 4 dias despues el macho primero y la hembra despues. gracias Federico B.

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

> From: <[raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni](mailto:raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni)>

> To: <[raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni](mailto:raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni)>

> Cc: <[raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni](mailto:raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni)>

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> <imarcha@inta.gob.ni>;  
> <mobando@inta.gob.ni>; <mgarcia@inta.gob.ni>;  
> <[redacted]>  
> [redacted]  
> [redacted]  
> Sent: Friday, May 15, 2009 4:26 PM  
> Subject: Re: visita Rene Clara  
>  
>  
>> ----- Mensaje original  
> -----Mis estimados amigos:  
>  
> Les recuerdo que deben poner en su programacion semanal el viaje a Managua  
> al CNIAB el día jueves 21 para presentar los resultados del proyecto  
> INTSORMIL en 2008 y la propuesta de actividades para 2009. Nos vemos ese  
> día en CNIAB. Iniciamos a las 8:30 am  
>  
> Rafael Obando  
>  
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>  
>> Amigos:  
>>  
>> Adjunto les envio la agenda a desarrollar durante la visita del Ing.  
>> Rene  
>> Clara que sera del 19 al 22 de mayo. La agenda por día es la siguiente:  
>>  
>> Martes 19: Viaje de San Salvador a Managua  
>> Miercoles 20: Viaje a Posoltega a ver lote de produccion de semilla del  
>> hibrido de grano blanco ESHG-3 en la finca de Federico Baltodano.  
>> Jueves 21: Reunion con todos los investigadores que llevan proyectos  
>> INTSORMIL para revisar informe 2008 y el plan de actividades para 2009  
>> Viernes 22: Viaje de Managua a San Salvador.  
>>  
>> El día jueves 21 la reunion sera en CNIAB iniciando a las 8 am. Cada  
>> responsable de proyecto debe hacer una presentacion de los resultados de  
>> 2008 para analizarlos y recibir recomendaciones de elaboracion de  
>> informes  
>> para INTSORMIL. Ademas se haran recomendaciones a las propuestas de  
>> actividades a desarrollar en 2009. Pueden iniciar las gestiones de  
>> logistica para el viaje a managua afectando el proyecto INTSORMIL.  
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>>  
>> Asunto: Re: Presentación propuestas y evaluación externa.  
>> De: [redacted]  
>> Fecha: Mar, 5 de Mayo de 2009, 9:13 am  
>> Para:  
>> -----  
>>  
>>> Rene:  
>>  
>> Muchas gracias por tu comprension. Al mismo tiempo que te envíe el plan  
>> lo  
>> voy a enviar a los funcionarios de INTA para que ellos lo aprueben. Tal

>> vez seria bueno que hicieramos el plan de trabajo para enviarlo a las  
>> regiones para que los investigadores regionales lo incorporen en su  
>> programacion de actividades y obtengan el permiso y los medios para  
>> viajar  
>> a Managua a la reunion. Propongo la siguiente agenda:  
>>  
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>> hibrido de grano blanco ESHG-3.  
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>> Viernes 22: Viaje de Managua a San Salvador.  
>>  
>> Rafael Obando  
>>  
>>  
>>  
>> Payo,  
>>>  
>>> Te esperamos esta semana, pero envíame propuestas ya discutidas y  
>>> revisadas en INTA.  
>>>  
>>> Yo siempre te he dicho que utilices fondos del INTSORMIL para  
>>> comunicarte  
>>> en un Cyber. Creo que INTA no te puede restringir esta opción. De esta  
>>> manera podemos avanzar.  
>>>  
>>> Sigo con el plan de llegar el 19 de los corrientes para trabajar 20, 21  
>>> y  
>>> regresar el viernes 22. Mi prioridad es discutir el nuevo plan de  
>>> trabajo  
>>> 2009-2010 y ver la producción de semilla del híbrido ESHG-3 donde  
>>> Federico  
>>> Valtodano, caso que haya sembrado. Si quieres agregar algo mas a este  
>>> programa lo puedes hacer.  
>>>  
>>> Saludos,  
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>>>  
>>> René Clará V.  
>>> Coordinador Regional Local  
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**From:** Vilma Ruth Calderon  
**To:** Lloyd Rooney; Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** Rene Clara; Kris Duville; Lily Marisol Lopez  
**Subject:** Norman Bourloag Fellowship  
**Date:** Friday, October 16, 2009 10:29:35 AM

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Dr Rooney

As you know i got a Norman Bourloag scholarship and i am in kentucky State University right now. I arrived yesterday and i will start my program on monday morning. They changed the dates of my program and i will spent 2 months here. The program will start on monday october 19 and will finish on december 18, 2009.

kris Duville and Lily Lopez are in charge of the sorghum project right now and they are attending trainings and all the activiites from the project until i come back.

We almost have a distributor for the Omega Vi mills. kris is helping Le Ann to find it as soon as possible. we had two more workshops before i left and people continue interested in the mills.

Maybe i will be traveling to Texas A&M to visit some places there.....i will let you know

thank you

Vilma Ruth

**From:** [Hurley, Janie C.](#)  
**To:** [Ken Davenport](#)  
**Cc:** [Bill Rooney](#); [Brummett, Robert G.](#); [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Seed Request for Chromatin  
**Date:** Friday, October 16, 2009 11:20:02 AM

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Hi Ken,

It is good to hear from you. We will get to work on this from our end. Our first step is for us to discuss further with the researchers to clarify the background of each of these materials to ensure that we are clear to transfer them. We understand that there is some urgency, so we will do what we can on our end to expedite.

Thank you!

Janie

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**From:** Ken Davenport [mailto:[redacted]]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 4:59 PM  
**To:** Hurley, Janie C.  
**Cc:** Nelson, Michelle; Avant, Bob; [redacted] Greg Zinkl; [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: Seed Request for Chromatin

Hello Janie,

Subsequent to our visit to Texas A&M last month to meet with Bill Rooney, you and your AgriLife colleagues, Larry has made a determination on behalf of Chromatin as to specific sorghum germplasm we would like to access. You will note the e-mail message he sent to Messrs. Lyles and Rooney earlier today.

I am writing to request that the appropriate Material Transfer Agreement be sent to me with copy to our corporate counsel, Greg Zinkl, with whom you have been in contact regarding the Mutual Non-Disclosure Agreement. I am assuming that there will be an access fee and that any commercial terms would be conveyed for our consideration were Chromatin to advance any or all of the germplasm it receives.



continued to reside.

Darrell attended rural elementary schools and then graduated from Clay Center High School as valedictorian. Darrell received his B.S. and Masters degrees from Kansas State University in 1958 and 1960, respectively. He received his Ph.D. from Texas A&M University in 1970. He began working as a research scientist at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in Lubbock in 1964. He became a full professor with Texas A&M University in 1978 and remained with Emeritus status up to his death.

Darrell devoted his life's work to the improvement of grain sorghum growth in developing areas of the world and for domestic use. His work in plant genetics and breeding focused on converting tall, exotic sorghums, into shorter varieties, as well as breeding lines with significantly improved drought and disease resistance. Grain sorghum is used in agriculture domestically and as food internationally, feeding up to 500 million people.

Throughout his career, Darrell worked in collaboration with various scientists, universities and programs across the world. He was committed to the development of young scientists and to collaborating with colleagues in his field. In his career, Darrell traveled extensively across the globe, particularly in Africa (Sudan, Mali, Niger), Central America and India. The many awards received throughout his career included the 2003 Award for Scientific Excellence from the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development and the TAMU System Deputy Chancellor's Award in Excellence for International Service in 1993. Darrell was a leader in sorghum on domestic and international levels, who significantly contributed to his discipline, the Texas A&M University System and citizens of the world.

Darrell was a faithful member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church and the Seeker's Sunday School Class. He had a long career as a fast pitch softball pitcher in Texas and Kansas and was inducted into the Kansas Softball Hall of Fame. He was actively involved in assisting the Coronado High School Girls Fastpitch Softball summer program. He was a long time member of the Board of Lubbock Girls Basketball organization.

Darrell enjoyed sports, traveling with Beverly and spending time with his family. He took great pride in his family and his friends. His favorite pastimes included, gardening (sharing with neighbors), golfing, skiing and attending sporting events. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, colleague, mentor, coach and friend.

Darrell was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Beverly of Lubbock; daughters, Sheri Rosenow of Redmond, Wash., Becky Melton and husband David of Plano and Kristi Weaber and husband Tom of Amarillo; four grandchildren, Dillon Melton, Audrey Melton, Brendan Weaber and Kendall Weaber. Survivors also include one brother, Don Rosenow; and one sister, Nola Schmale, both of Clay Center, Kan.; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorials be sent to The Darrell Rosenow Memorial Scholarship Fund at the National Grain Sorghum Producers Foundation, 4201 N. Interstate 27, Lubbock, TX 79403 (806)749-3478; or to St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3708 45th, Lubbock, TX 79413 (806)797-4393.

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**From:** [Clint Magill](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** proposal  
**Date:** Sunday, October 18, 2009 9:14:43 PM

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I'm working on a proposal to submit to the USCP sorghum checkoff that deals with looking for host defense response gene expression in stigmas and as a sideline, screening the diversity minicore collection Hari Upadhyaya put together to identify any that may have some resistance. I expect Louis has some sources of some male sterile line (the more susceptible the better in this case) but would like to list you as a collaborator in terms of providing seed if that is OK with you?

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Clint Magill  
Professor of Genetics  
Department of Plant Pathology & Microbiology  
Texas A&M University  
Phone 979 845 8250

**From:** [redacted]  
**To:** wlr@tamu.edu; [redacted]  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Sorghum samples  
**Date:** Monday, October 19, 2009 8:59:33 AM

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Hi Bill and thank you for your assistance.

November works great for our timeline and we will send an email in early November as requested.

Joe

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

**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 4:39 PM  
**To:** Kota Raja USRE; Clarke Joseph USRE  
**Cc:** Silva Jorge BRSP  
**Subject:** RE: Sorghum samples

Raja and Joseph:

Jorge contacted me regarding your request for sorghum tissue. We can provide that material but it will probably be later in November before we have plants that are in the stage that we can sample. If you could send you request in early November, I can tend to it at that time.

Regards,

Bill

Dr. William L. Rooney  
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Chair, Plant Release Committee  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 14, 2009 12:05 PM  
**To:** wlr@tamu.edu  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: Sorghum samples

Bill,

It was nice talking with you today, after so long.

Here is the email with the info. Referring to the sorghum samples I mentioned over the phone. Reading Joe's email, I realized I forgot to mention the "Gene Atlas" idea (check below). All of us, me Joe and Raja (both at Cc...), will appreciate any help and guidance. Needless to say, let us know any potential expense this shipment would represent. Thanks again.

Let's see if we have that beer in Weslaco, around Christmas time this year.  
Best regards,

Jorge

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

From: Clarke Joseph USRE  
Sent: sexta-feira, 9 de outubro de 2009 10:51  
To: Silva Jorge BRSP; Kota Raja USRE  
Subject: RE: Sorghum samples

Hi Jorge,

...  
Ideally we would like 2 grams of tissue per sample sent on dry ice in 15ml tubes. A series of samples that include at 2 different genotypes, 4 different tissue types, and 3 reps per sample is ideal. This would total 24 samples (2genotypes x 4tissue types x 3reps). We can adjust the numbers if this is too much.

I would like to allow Professor Rooney to choose the tissue types most convenient for him to collect with the request that he include at least 1 tissue type that is known to be difficult to extract RNA from if such exists.

Any advice he is willing to share on RNA extraction methods that are optimized for Sorghum would be great as well but not critical.

Thinking ahead -

If Professor Rooney is interested and willing to work with us directly in a collaboration - we would be interested in producing a "Gene Atlas" or "Developmental Series" for Sorghum that is designed to show expression of every Sorghum gene in multiple tissue types and developmental stages from birth to death of Sorghum.

Thanks for contacting your colleague and let us know if you have any questions.

joe

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

From: Silva Jorge BRSP  
Sent: Thursday, October 08, 2009 10:54 AM  
To: Kota Raja USRE  
Cc: Clarke Joseph USRE  
Subject: Res: Sorghum samples

OK Raja,  
I'll be waiting for the details, then.

Jorge

----- Mensagem original -----

De: Kota Raja USRE  
Para: Silva Jorge BRSP

Cc: Clarke Joseph USRE  
Enviada em: Wed Oct 07 15:15:04 2009  
Assunto: Sorghum samples

Dear Jorge,

It would make sense for you to get in touch with Prof Rooney at Texas A&M. Joe will provide the details on the sample request.

Thanks and Regards,

Raja

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**From:** [Joan Frederick](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Re: travel for the PCCMCA  
**Date:** Monday, October 19, 2009 9:57:35 AM

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Bill - yes we need the receipts.

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▼ "Bill Rooney" ---10/16/2009 09:02:34 AM---Joan:

**From:** "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
**To:** "Joan Frederick" <[jffrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:jffrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu)>  
**Cc:** "Rene Clara" <  
**Date:** 10/16/2009 09:02 AM  
**Subject:** travel for the PCCMCA

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Joan:

Rene has sent the travel expense receipts to me for those attending the PCCMCA in September.

They look fine. Should I send them on up to you?

Regards,

Bill

Dr. William L. Rooney  
Professor, Sorghum Breeding and Genetics  
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**From:** [Will McLaughlin](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Cc:** [Ed Rister](#); [Ron D Lacewell](#)  
**Subject:** High Energy Sorghum Research Question  
**Date:** Monday, October 19, 2009 10:44:04 AM

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Dr. Rooney,

I am developing some enterprise budgets for HES and was wondering if you could tell me what the recommended seeding rate (pounds per acre) is for HES and what the estimated seed cost will be. Is there any herbicides or pesticides that you would recommend using. Is 150 pounds of nitrogen and the same P&K as grain sorghum for El Campo a good fertilizer recommendation for max yields.

Thanks,  
Will McLaughlin  
Department of Agricultural Economics

**From:** [Lea Dell Morris](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Travel vouchers  
**Date:** Monday, October 19, 2009 2:08:56 PM

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Which account would you like me to use for the following travel vouchers?

Deiroy Collins  
Mohankumar Kapanigowda  
Nilesh Diahe

I'm working on these right now.

Have a wonderful day!

**From:** Tesfaye Tesso  
**To:** Gary C. Peterson; Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** A-35 and ATx615  
**Date:** Monday, October 19, 2009 4:02:38 PM

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Bill and Gary,

I was planning to produce few test cross hybrids with a bunch of public females. I wanted to include A-35 and ATx615 in the tester but don't have seed for the A versions. I will appreciate if one of you can send me some 10 gram seed of these lines. I hope those are old lines and don't require MTA?

Kind regards,  
Tesfaye

**From:** [Tim Trop](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** sorghum farm labor costs  
**Date:** Monday, October 19, 2009 9:21:50 PM

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Bill

We have used the USDA cost of production numbers in our profitability estimates. They say the costs are \$330 per planted acre. HCS has a number of employees that work in ag that would balloon this number enormously. Is there proof that the USDA numbers are right given a Maui cost escalator? Do you know where we can get data on farm labor head counts for grain sorghum?

Tim

ps I still have not gotten dates from HARC for your visit to Maui

**From:** Lea Dell Morris  
**To:** Amir M Ibrahim; Bryan E Simoneaux; David Baltensperger; Dennis L Coker; Dawn Dengo; John W Smith; Kerry Mayfield; Seth C Murray; Vickie Marriott; Wayne Thompson; jarvis\_06@neo.tamu.edu; Dennis R Pietsch; C. Wayne Smith; Dan Fromme; Ed Runge; Linda Francis; Matt Matocha; Sam Feagley; slabar@tamu.edu; Tony L. Provin; Todd Baughman; Travis Miller; wlr@tamu.edu  
**Subject:** All lodging receipts needed ASAP  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 20, 2009 10:08:19 AM

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Good morning,

The JP Morgan statements have arrived today. I need all lodging receipts ASAP. Please make sure to have an account # and purpose of trip when you turn the receipts in, this makes the process easier and faster.

If you have already sent in your receipts, Thank you!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Enjoy the wonderful weather!  
Lea Dell

**From:** [Doolittle, James](#)  
**To:** [Abermathycr@ornl.gov](#); [Anex, Robert P \(A B E\)](#); [bberguso@nrri.umn.edu](#); [Bill Rooney \(wlr@tamu.edu\)](#); [Brian Baldwin](#); [Chintala, Rajesh](#); [Do-Kyoung Lee \(leedk@illinois.edu\)](#); [downingme@ornl.gov](#); [Karten, Doug](#); [Cassel, Kim](#); [russell.s.karow@oregonstate.edu](#); [Samuel W Jackson/FWF/EXT/UTIA](#); [Thomas Richard \(thr20@psu.edu\)](#); [Timothy A. Volk](#); [Timothy G Rials](#); [Tom Voigt](#); [Owens, Vance](#)  
**Cc:** [Stokes, Bryce](#); [Cash, James](#); [Laura.Neal@ee.doe.gov](#); [Sternier, Christy](#); [Dawkins, Teresa](#)  
**Subject:** Feedstock Partnership for Crop-Year 2010  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 20, 2009 11:55:20 AM

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Good morning all,

I have received word that our FY10 allocation for crop-year 2010 has been identified and SDSU should be receiving official notice soon.

I would like to initiate our paperwork process so we can get the funds out much quicker than crop-year 2009. The DOE-GO office believes they can turn things around within 2 months. Using April 1 as our target release date to the PI's, I plan to have allocated amounts to the team leads before November 1 (you can start planning as if level from crop-year 2009), I would like to have each PI's SOPO, SF424 and PMC123 by December 18, 2009. This should give Teresa and I enough time to compile and get to DOE-GO by the end of January (sooner I hope).

The DOE-GO office prefers to handle all PI's of a species in one "packet". This has led to significant delays if one PI of a species group does not get their required paperwork in. The GO office has agreed to process a species packet with a missing PI's paperwork; however, the missing PI's sub award will wait until all the other species packets are processed before it will be processed.

Teresa has agreed to help individual PI's and their grants office complete the budget forms if needed.

Please start to spread the word and let me know if there are questions or concerns.

REMINDER: Feedstock Partnership Reporting and Planning Meeting –

February 23-24, 2010  
[Holiday Inn Riverwalk](#)  
San Antonio, Texas

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**From:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**To:** Delroy Collins  
**Cc:** Bill; Catherine; Dustin; George L Hodnett; Michael; Miguel; Mohan; Niles;  
**Subject:** Re: Terry's Harvest  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 20, 2009 4:23:03 PM

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Hello everybody,

So I am going to be attempting to harvest my second planting tomorrow (Wednesday the 21st) and I need all the help I can get. If you can make it, be at the office around 7:00-7:15, and we will harvest only for a half day, till noon. Also, I'm only going to be harvesting if it doesn't rain that much, so if you wake up and it is pouring outside, go back to sleep, we're not going to harvest. Any help I can get will be greatly appreciated.

Sorry for the late notice,

-Terry

**From:** [Rene Clara](#)  
**To:** [Joan Frederick; wlr@tamu.edu](#)  
**Cc:** [dsullivan@unlnotes.unl.edu](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Invoice from Compatible Technology International  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 9:59:07 AM

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Dear Joan,

On your question. Two mills are already in the food laboratory of the CENTA. I asked Mr. Kris, manager of them, who should check them and was informing me. His report is the following one:

"Pieces that normally come with the shipped mills and did not come with the mills ( One wooden and one Ewing ) that brought LeAnn Taylor :

Manual

Straight brush

Round brush

Small adjustable nut wrench

Pair of round-hollow washers

Pair of cotter pins

Translucent top cover

The mills came with a pair of new discs, the two helixes and lever for manual operation, everything needed to run.

The pieces mentioned are for cleaning purposes basically.

The pieces not provided are not esencial and can be found here, also because the mills will be kept in CENTA, and are not intended to be donated to other people, there is no real need to have them send.

( The proper axle for the wooden mil was send earlier by CTI )

The wooden mill has already been "motorized" and gave good results. The Ewing will be motorized son.

Atte. Kris"

Regards,

René Clará V.  
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**De:** Joan Frederick <jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu>  
**Para:** wlr@tamu.edu;  
**CC:** dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu  
**Enviado:** mar, octubre 20, 2009 1:07:17 PM  
**Asunto:** Fw: Invoice from Compatible Technology International

Bill Rooney and Rene Clara - please approve this invoice before we make any payments.

Have the materials been delivered and are there any problems with the equipment?

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Joan Frederick  
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----- Forwarded by Joan Frederick/intpgms/IANR/UNEHR on 10/20/2009 02:05 PM -----

From: Compatible Technology International [redacted]  
To: jfrederick1@unl.edu  
Cc: [redacted] plittlej@tamu.edu  
Date: 10/20/2009 01:02 PM  
Subject: Invoice from Compatible Technology International

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Hi INTSORMIL :

This invoice will cover the Ewing and Wooden grinders that Ms Taylor carried down to El Salvador.

We trust that they are working for the folks at CENTA.

We appreciate working with you and them very much.

Sincerely,

Bert Rivers  
Compatible Technology International

**To view your invoice**

Open the attached PDF file. You must have Acrobat® Reader® installed to view the attachment.

*(See attached file: Inv\_081077\_from\_Compatible.pdf)*

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**From:** [Vilma Calderon](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Vilma Calderon would like to connect with you on Yahoo!  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 10:55:53 AM

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**Vilma Calderon (Vilma)**

would like to connect with you on Yahoo! so you can easily share each others' Updates



Vilma Calderon  
(Vilma)

**Once you accept, you get to share Updates on Yahoo! such as:**

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**From:** [Stefaniak, Thomas R](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 11:32:38 AM

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Bill

I am hoping you can give me some advice concerning harvesting sorghum from the DOE trial after a frost here in KY. I have already measured yield components and taken grab samples for all the plots. For the Graze-all and Graze-n-Bale plots I took two grab samples; one when we made the first cut, and one a week ago.

I am planning on harvesting the final total biomass from all plots tomorrow 10-22. Unfortunately we had a hard frost last Sunday. The mostly dead plants obviously have less moisture content than they did when I collected the grab samples. Consequently I think I need to sample them again so I can more accurately adjust the weight to dry yield. My question to you is should I also send you those post harvest grab samples as well? I am glad to do it but do not want to overwhelm your people with samples (8 from the first cut, 24 from last weeks sample date , and 24 post frost). Another question is that last year I sent you very large samples (like 2 or 3 kgs). Can I send less?

If this email is hard to follow you can call me on my cell at 859-489-3553. Also, is there any more news about your post-doc?

Respectfully

Thomas R. Stefaniak

**From:** [Seth C. Murray](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Early Puff  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 11:38:47 AM

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Bill,

I hope your trip is going well,

The account you suggested does not have any money that can be used for equipment. Carol suggested your CERES money because there is over \$95k for equipment in the two accounts. To create the R doc they will use this, but if you want to change it we can before a P doc is created.

No action is needed, just keeping you in the loop.

Thanks,

Seth

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

From: "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
To: "Seth C. Murray" <[sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu](mailto:sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu)>  
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2009 5:33:45 PM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
Subject: RE: Early Puff

Seth:

Okay, sorry about not getting that done. I'm running around crazy with no time for nothing. I gotta quit this stuff.

I don't have the account numbers with me, but Sonnie Feagely should be able to help you.

I would like to take the funds from the USDA DOE U FL subcontract. The amount is \$8,000. Sonnie, Consider this e-mail authorization.

If you have questions, please send me an e-mail - I should be able to check it again on Tuesday morning early.

Regards,

Bill

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

From: Seth C. Murray [<mailto:sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2009 11:20 AM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: Re: Early Puff

I understand you are leaving for Indonesia today or tomorrow. I hope you have a nice trip. I tried to order the machine on Friday but Nancy was out. In case I actually can order this while you are away do you have an account number that I can reference for the R-doc? Less than \$10,000 will definitely help.

Thanks,

Seth

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

From: "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu>

To: "Seth C. Murray" <sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu>

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2009 5:01:37 PM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central

Subject: RE: Early Puff

Seth:

Glad to hear you were able to squeeze a few dollars out of the College. The real question is now how much do you need from me in order to get the Thermo Anteris?

I've got \$10,000 that I can send if you need it (I shouldn't state it that way should I).

Regards,

Bill

Dr. William L. Rooney  
Professor, Sorghum Breeding and Genetics  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Seth C. Murray [<mailto:sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2009 6:44 AM

To: Bill Rooney; Tim Herrman

Subject: Re: Early Puff

I meant to save draft and I hit send - I did not mean to insinuate I am not extremely grateful for this support, because I am - I think allows us to choose between two possibilities.

I do not have the exact figures but basically we have two options. I would say with this PUF money we could afford the Thermo Anteris (~\$60k, what NREL bought two of), which is probably the best dedicated FT-NIR but also about \$20k more for the base machine than option two - which is Perkin-Elmer (~\$40k, I know of no one with this machine currently). The only consideration I have in the less expensive Perkin-Elmer machine is that if there was future interest in transferring calibrations to third world collaborators, this greatly limits this possibility that they can afford the same machine.

Either way the accessories that both of you are interested are available and similar in cost (liquid module - included), fiber optic probe (~\$7500 - if I remember right).

Ordering this - both are on contract - is my number 1 priority for the end of the week if we can.

Thanks,

Seth

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

From: "Seth C. Murray" <sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu>  
To: "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu>, "Tim Herrman" <therrman@tamu.edu>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2009 6:31:52 AM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
Subject: Fwd: Early Puff

It is not everything we asked for but it certainly helps.

Thanks,

Seth

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "David Baltensperger" <DBaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu>  
To: sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu, "Carol Rhodes" <cj-rhodes@tamu.edu>  
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2009 5:39:55 PM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
Subject: Fwd: RE: Early Puff

Seth,

Congratulations -- hope this helps.

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**From:** Pam Wilhelm  
**To:** Bill L. Rooney  
**Subject:** account 405235 (CERES)  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 11:54:06 AM

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Morning Dr. Rooney,

I just wanted to touch base with you on these two accounts. You had me set up the second year funding into a different support account because you wanted to be able to tell how much was spent from the different years. As of today, the first year's funding has the budget categories all in the negative because the only money left in the account is in the Capital Outlay Pool. It doesn't bother me if it doesn't bother you, I just wanted to let you know. Here's the balances

Year one 405235-84720

Salary -475.17

travel -3014.46

supplies -17063.62

Other -35.28

Capital Outlay +51169.94

for a available balance in the account of \$30581.41

year two - 405235-84721

salary 43998.02 (you also have encumbered \$40224.08)

travel 10939.77

supplies 24216.66

other 27365.81

Capital outlay 40000

for a total available balance of \$146520.26

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**From:** Andrew Paterson  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 1:48:22 PM

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Bill,

As Seth mentioned to you, I am editing a book on the Saccharinae with emphasis on sorghum ... I was concerned that you may not be at liberty to write about much of what you are doing these days, but would love for you to be a part if you were able/willing to. Would you be interested, and is there a general area(s) of your work that you are 'more free' to write about?

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Cheers,

Andrew Paterson

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**From:** [Andrew Paterson](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** Fwd:  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 1:51:01 PM

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It occurs to me as I review the outline that one big gap is genetics of 'food quality' -  
- perhaps this might be an area that you and Lloyd could team up on and which  
does not get into Ceres stuff that might be sensitive for you ?

Date: Wed, 21 Oct 2009 14:48:10 -0400

To: "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
From: Andrew Paterson <[paterson@plantbio.uga.edu](mailto:paterson@plantbio.uga.edu)>  
Subject:  
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Bcc:  
X-Attachments:

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**From:** [redacted] n behalf of Russell Jessup  
**To:** McCutchen Bill; Avant Bob; Schuerman Peter L.; Schmitt Brian C.; Baltensperger David; wlr@tamu.edu  
**Subject:** ADDITIONAL FOLLOW-UP: RD program and FTO questions  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 3:45:53 PM

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Bill,

To follow-up on potentially less-definitive crops discussed last week, please let me know if the assessments below might need additional clarification or outside counsel.

Thanks again,

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

**From:** bmccutchen@tamu.edu

**Sent:** Tue, 29 Sep 2009 07:43:29 -0500

**To:** bavant@tamu.edu, pschuerman@tamu.edu, brian.schmitt@tamu.edu,  
dbaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu, wlr@tamu.edu, rjessup@tamu.edu

**Subject:** To Discuss RD program and FTO questions

When: Monday, October 12, 2009 1:30 PM-2:30 PM (GMT-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada).

Where: 113 Jack K Williams Conference Room

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**From:** Owens, Vance  
**To:** DoKyoung Lee; Rooney, William  
**Subject:** reports  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 3:54:30 PM

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DK and Bill:

Will you be able to get your RFP CRP and sorghum reports to me by tomorrow? I need to submit the total report to Jim by tomorrow afternoon if at all possible since I will be out of the office on Friday.

Thanks,

Vance

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**From:** Avant, Bob  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** VC Award for Excellence In Research  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 4:35:21 PM

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Bill,

As you may know, I have been drafted to nomination you for the Award for Excellence in Research (which I am happy to do). I have been flying by the seat of my pants on the nomination letters, but it would be helpful to have a current vita. Could you get me one as soon as possible. I have to have my part in by the end of the week.

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**From:** [John L Jifon](#)  
**To:** [Bill L Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** RE: WSLC Sugarcane Breeder FINAL Rankings  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 9:18:47 PM

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Bill,  
I totally agree with your assessment and will suggest to the rest of the committee that we adopt that approach.  
Thanks  
John

>>> "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)> 10/21/2009 8:57 PM >>>  
John:

It is clear that you have two good candidates. I think the committee has identified these two as essentially equal. Under that situation, it is at the prerogative of the resident director to make the decision. I think that you recommend that either is acceptable and forward to Mike to make the decision.

The issue with Collins is not relevant to our considerations.

Regards,

Bill

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

From: John L Jifon [<mailto:jljifon@ag.tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2009 4:24 PM  
To: Erik Mirkov; Nael El-Hout; Qingyi Yu; C. Wayne Smith; Bill L Rooney  
Subject: WSLC Sugarcane Breeder FINAL Rankings

Dear All,  
I have summarized the final rankings and comments from everyone (search committee) in the attached document. Unless there is a specific need for us to meet (conference call), then I would suggest that we turn it over to Mike to decide on which candidate(s) to bring back or make an offer to.

There is concern that Kimbeng's family situation may convince him to turn down this position, and that he may not be very serious about the position anyway; my 2 cents on the matter is this: if he is a 1st rank candidate, then we can advise Mike to call him and get a firm commitment before proceeding with a second invitation or potential offer.

Let me know what you think

Thanks

John

**From:** [neo.tamu.edu](mailto:neo.tamu.edu)  
**To:** [Westermann, Tadd](#); [Ussery, Roy](#); [Trostle, Calvin](#); [Travis Miller](#); [Thomas, Geoff](#); [Thomas, David](#); [Swink, Donnie](#); [Stroup, Jason](#); [Steele, Greg](#); [Sowder, Matt](#); [Sick, Steve](#); [Rooney, Bill](#); [Reysack, Joe](#); [O'Rear, Jerry](#); [Mullen, Larry](#); [Moss, Walter](#); [Monk, Jerry](#); [Mike Lenz](#); [McDowell, Larry](#); [McClure, Bill](#); [McClenney, Billy](#); [Marsalis, Mark](#); [Kunz, Phil](#); [Krieghauser, Coby](#); [Klein, Norm](#); [Kerry Mayfield](#); [Keith Arnold](#); [Jorge Guzman](#); [Jesus Martinez](#); [Jaster, John](#); [Isakeit, Tom](#); [Hussey, Mark](#); [Hajovsky, Bart](#); [Griffin, John](#); [Gonzalez, Carlos](#); [Gary Peterson](#); [Eder Victor USSL](#); [Davis, Tony](#); [Cleveland, Wayne](#); [Cleve Franks](#); [Ciellencki, Chuck](#); [Carter, Shawn](#); [Brent Bean](#); [Blumenthal, Jurg](#); [Benton, Ben](#); [Becker, Enrique Martinez](#); [Baltensperger, David](#); [Allison, James](#); [Alston, Fred](#); [Carlos Garay](#); [Paris, Matt](#); [Cammack, Phyll](#); [Winwel Xu](#); [Theron Roundy](#); [Siefken, Ryan](#); [Scottie Blanchard](#); [Sanchez, Manuel](#); [Raab, Quinton](#); [Prince, Robert](#); [Monk, Roger](#); [Malott, Chuck](#); [Kerry Mayfield](#); [Hutson, Billy](#); [Hoss, Neal](#); [Hill, Peter](#); [Harris, Mark](#); [Halfmann, Glen](#); [Greeno, Cade](#); [Green, Justin](#); [Gardner, Ron](#); [Gallegos, Marco](#); [Freeman, Diane](#); [Ford, David](#); [David Gibson](#); [Dave Haines](#); [Cuarezma, Jorge](#); [Crittenden, Max](#); [Bowles, Jim](#); [Ayala, Pastor](#); [Seth C. Murray](#); [Wyss, Linda](#); [Arbuthnot, Bart](#); [Atila Deak](#)  
**Subject:** Input for 2010 Corn and Grain Sorghum Performance Tests  
**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 9:03:45 AM

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**This email is being sent by Dr. Jurg Blumenthal and Mr. Dennis Pietsch.**

All: The Crop Testing Advisory Committee will meet on November 17, 2009 in conjunction with the Texas Seed Trade Association Meeting at the Hyatt Lost Pines Resort near Bastrop. The Crop Testing Advisory Committee consists of 4 industry individuals as well as representatives from the corn and grain sorghum commodity groups, corn and grain sorghum plant breeders from Texas AgriLife Research, Texas AgriLife Research and Extension representatives. This group will review the 2009 Crop Testing Program and assist in making plans for 2010.

If you have any questions, concerns, or comments regarding the Crop Testing Program's locations, costs, etc., please email me with your ideas, thoughts, or suggestions before November 5, 2009. If we receive enough input on certain items, then we can put the item(s) on the agenda for discussion by our group.

We are constantly striving to improve our program and provide the best results possible without sacrificing quality. Anything we can do to enhance the Crop Testing Program will be addressed.

I look forward to receiving any input that you may have. Thanks,

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**From:** [Schuerman, Peter L.](#)  
**To:** [rjessup@tamu.edu](#); [McCutchen, Bill](#); [Avant, Bob](#); [Schmitt, Brian C.](#); [Baltensperger, David](#); [wlr@tamu.edu](#); [Hurley, Janie C.](#)  
**Subject:** Re: FOLLOW-UP: RD program and FTO questions  
**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 9:06:04 AM

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Russell,

Thanks for this. If none of these are 'sorghums' then there is no restriction due to the Ceres agreement.

The AgriLife agreement with Ceres is the only one that I am aware of that has such a restriction.

-Peter  
Sent from

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [McCutchen, Bill](#); [Avant, Bob](#); [Schuerman, Peter L.](#); [Schmitt, Brian C.](#); [Baltensperger, David](#); [wlr@tamu.edu](#) <[wlr@tamu.edu](#)>  
**Sent:** Wed Oct 21 15:40:45 2009  
**Subject:** FOLLOW-UP: RD program and FTO questions

Peter,

Many thanks for the discussion last week. To follow-up, I've listed crops we covered and confirmed FTO unencumbered by existing agreements. If I'm mistaken on any please let me know.

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

**From:** bmccutchen@tamu.edu

**Sent:** Tue, 29 Sep 2009 07:43:29 -0500

**To:** bavant@tamu.edu, pschuerman@tamu.edu, brian.schmitt@tamu.edu,  
dbaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu, wlr@tamu.edu, rjessup@tamu.edu

**Subject:** To Discuss RD program and FTO questions

When: Monday, October 12, 2009 1:30 PM-2:30 PM (GMT-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada).

Where: 113 Jack K Williams Conference Room

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**From:** [Rene Clara](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#); [Joan Frederick](#)  
**Cc:** [dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Invoice from Compatible Technology International  
**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 10:16:52 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[image002.png](#)

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Dears,

The extra pieces can be bought locally and they are cheap. More it would be the cost of sending them from US. May be the more important thing is the manual of every mill.

I think that it is better to speak with them to see that they can provide us and then pay the mills.

**René Clará V.**  
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**De:** Bill Rooney <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
**Para:** Rene Clara <[dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu)> Joan Frederick <[jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu)>  
**CC:** [dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu)  
**Enviado:** mié, octubre 21, 2009 10:09:06 PM  
**Asunto:** RE: Invoice from Compatible Technology International

Rene and Joan:

It is not clear to me if we should pay the invoice. It seems parts are missing, but the mill is functional.

Rene, can you confirm whether or not we should pay the invoice? If we pay the invoice we will not have further ability to obtain the extra parts.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** Rene Clara [[mailto:](mailto:dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu)]

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 21, 2009 9:59 AM  
**To:** Joan Frederick; wlr@tamu.edu  
**Cc:** dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu  
**Subject:** Re: Invoice from Compatible Technology International

Dear Joan,

On your question. Two mills are already in the food laboratory of the CENTA. I asked Mr. Kris, manager of them, who should check them and was informing me. His report is the following one:

"Pieces that normally come with the shipped mills and did not come with the mills ( One wooden and one Ewing ) that brought LeAnn Taylor :

Manual

Straight brush

Round brush

Small adjustable nut wrench

Pair of round-hollow washers

Pair of cotter pins

Translucent top cover

The mills came with a pair of new discs, the two helixes and lever for manual operation, everything needed to run.

The pieces mentioned are for cleaning purposes basically.

The pieces not provided are not esencial and can be found here, also because the mills will be kept in CENTA, and are not intended to be donated to other people, there is no real need to have them send.

( The proper axle for the wooden mil was send earlier by CTI )

The wooden mill has already been "motorized" and gave good results. The Ewing will be motorized son.

Atte. Kris"

Regards,

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**De:** Joan Frederick <jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu>  
**Para:** wlr@tamu.edu;  
**CC:** dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu  
**Enviado:** mar, octubre 20, 2009 1:07:17 PM  
**Asunto:** Fw: Invoice from Compatible Technology International

Bill Rooney and Rene Clara - please approve this invoice before we make any payments.

Have the materials been delivered and are there any problems with the equipment?

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Joan Frederick  
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402-472-7058  
jfrederick1@unl.edu

----- Forwarded by Joan Frederick/intpgms/IANR/UNEBR on 10/20/2009 02:05 PM -----

From: Compatible Technology International [redacted]  
To: jfrederick1@unl.edu  
Cc: [redacted] plittlej@tamu.edu  
Date: 10/20/2009 01:02 PM  
Subject: Invoice from Compatible Technology International

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Hi INTSORMIL :

This invoice will cover the Ewing and Wooden grinders that Ms Taylor carried down to El Salvador.

We trust that they are working for the folks at CENTA.

We appreciate working with you and them very much.

Sincerely,

Bert Rivers  
Compatible Technology International

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**To view your invoice**

Open the attached PDF file. You must have Acrobat® Reader® installed to view the attachment.

*(See attached file: Inv\_081077\_from\_Compatible.pdf)*

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**From:** [Gary C Peterson](#)  
**To:** [Bill L. Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** INTSORMIL IDC  
**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 10:39:48 AM

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Bill,

The IDC for winter nursery and South Texas has been received. To what account do you want \$3,500 transferred?

Thanks.

Gary

**From:** Charles Simpson  
**To:** Bill L. Rooney  
**Subject:** RE: Letter  
**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 11:20:51 AM

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Bill:

Mike Chandler has asked me to work up a nomination for Michael Baring for Research Support for the Vice Chancellor Awards program.

Would you be willing to write a letter of support for Michael for this award? We are working on a short time frame because I leave on the 1st of Nov. for the ASA meetings, and the deadline for submission is Nov. 4, so I must submit by Nov. 31.

Thanks for considering this,  
Charlie Simpson

**From:** Owens, Vance  
**To:** Baldwin, Brian; DoKyoung Lee; Owens, Vance; Rooney, William; Voigt, Thomas  
**Subject:** 2010 budgets  
**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 11:35:54 AM

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Dear All:

Thanks for getting me your quarterly reports. I am compiling it and should be able to send it to Jim Doolittle soon.

You all received an email a few days ago from Jim D. regarding 2010 budgets where he stated they should be level from last year. Before you start preparing it, I need to go over what this means since you may recall that last year's budgets included some money from 2008 that had not been allocated in 2008. What I'm saying, although I need to double check this, is that level may not mean level with last year exactly. Anybody confused yet?

Thanks,

Vance

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**From:** [Bhoja Basnet](#)  
**To:** [Bill L. Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Extension request for my assignment due date!  
**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 11:57:29 AM

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Dear Dr. Rooney!

Due to my travel out of town for more than a week and having couple of exams immediately after that, I am not able to finish my Assignment of Plant Breeding II on time. So, I hereby humbly request you for the extension of due date of my assignment till next week (Monday, 26th Oct, 2009).

I greatly appreciate for your consideration!

Regards,  
Bhoja Basnet

>>> "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)> 10/19/09 7:14 PM >>>  
Best way is to check with a classmate.

Bill

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

From: Bhoja Basnet [<mailto:bhasnet@ag.tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 2:14 PM  
To: [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
Subject: Class notes!

Dear Dr. Rooney,

I missed all the classes (4 classes) of Plant Breeding II in the week of Oct 12-Oct 16. So, I am just wondering if I could get the class notes for that week. Though you are not here now, I was curious if there is any way so that I could pick the notes from your office. I would be really grateful to your help.

Thank you!

Regards,  
Bhoja Basnet  
TAMU



**From:** Brummett, Robert G.  
**To:** Selahattin Aydin  
**Cc:** Bill Rooney; Brummett, Robert G.  
**Subject:** RE: Material Request Form  
**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 2:33:52 PM

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Dr. Aydin,

Thanks for your email and its no bother. Texas A&M AgriLife's Contracts and Grants office is responsible for executing the agreement. I just emailed the assistant director there (Diane Gilliland [d-gilliland@tamu.edu](mailto:d-gilliland@tamu.edu)) to get an update (and copied you as well). Her office will be handling this now, but feel free to email me anytime as well.

Best regards,  
Robert

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<http://technology.tamu.edu>*

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**From:** Selahattin Aydin [redacted]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 2:01 PM  
**To:** Brummett, Robert G.; Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** Re: Material Request Form

Dear Mr. Brummett,

I am really sorry for bothering you again, but I am just wondering the status of the material that you are going to send us.  
We really need that material as soon as possible. Please let me know when you are going to ship the material to us.

I look forward to hearing from you, best regards...

Selahattin Aydin

**From:** Stelly David  
**To:** Hodnett George; Russell Jessup; Rooney Bill; Burson Byron; Smith C. Wayne; Seth Murray C.; Gentry Terry; Finlayson Scott; Ibrahim Amir; Undisclosed-recipients;  
**Cc:** Stelly David David M.; David Baltensperger  
**Subject:** Fwd: Updated quote, SVP  
**Date:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 10:12:00 PM

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I am arranging an equipment demonstration for a table-top flow cytometer w/ autoloader by Accuri for next Thursday afternoon.

We will set it up at the new AgriGenomics Laboratory at the AFL. I encourage you to prepare a few specimens of known types to run.

George and Matt -- I would like to coordinate closely with you --- so please check with me tomorrow, Friday, if that is convenient.

In addition to inviting you and your labs to participate, if interested, I am going to ask my Cyto class to attend and participate, as well, since this technique should be part of our standard training -- this is quite opportune, since I normally can discuss how it works and is used, it but not have them do their own.

Let me know if you will be wanting to come by, how many might be in your group, and a desirable time slot.

David

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Stelly David <stelly@tamu.edu>  
**Date:** October 22, 2009 9:56:27 PM CDT  
**To:** Ted Young [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Stelly David <stelly@tamu.edu>  
**Subject:** Re: Updated quote, SVP

Let us plan on the afternoon of Thursday Oct 29th, then.

I would like to run samples, as would others I am sure.

Yes, tomorrow morning should work well. I will be in and out some for meeting and such, but should be available generally. Do you have a cell phone? (I do not. -- I am not a luddite, but lost it some time ago and have not replaced it yet --- much to my wife's chagrin)

David

On Oct 22, 2009, at 5:56 PM, Ted Young wrote:

10/29 morning or afternoon would work well.

Do you have samples you would want to analyze during a demo? We only travel with performance verification beads to validate the system is within specifications from a sensitivity and precision.

Would you like to discuss via phone in AM?

Ted

**From:** Stelly\_David [mailto:stelly@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 2:52 PM  
**To:** Ted Young  
**Cc:** Stelly\_David  
**Subject:** Re: Updated quote, SVP

Oct 29? I would think so. Afternoon? Demo only? Or Demo and Seminar?

If you send me some descriptive information about who and what will be demo'd, I can advertise it some to bring over others to see the instrument as well. Do you want to give a seminar, or just run demos? For example, a UK company rep team for genomics is coming in the following week for a seminar, and they liked the format where I arranged for pizza to be delivered ..... brought in a lot of graduate students, post-docs and profs. They found the little bit of \$ was good investment for them. I don't recall the exact cost, but I think it was about \$125-\$175 for 15 pizzas, ice, water and softdrinks.

If we do that I need to find an available room, too.

David

On Oct 22, 2009, at 2:47 PM, Ted Young wrote:

Hi David,

Is TH still an option from your schedule perspective?

Best,

Ted

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**From:** Stelly\_David [mailto:stelly@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 12, 2009 2:59 PM  
**To:** Ted Young  
**Cc:** Stelly\_David  
**Subject:** Re: Updated quote, SVP

THANKS -- I just enter the numbers into the proposal.

Yes -- in fact, I would be willing to devote a graduate class to it if you are interested .... and can make it on a Tuesday or Thursday afternoon.

DS

On Oct 12, 2009, at 4:41 PM, Ted Young wrote:

Hi David,

Please find the 2 quotes attached (both include the \$5K academic discount on the C6)

- 1- 20091022-1: Pre 10/1/09 price increase pricing extended through 11/30/09
- 2- 20091022-2: Post 10/1/09 pricing valid through end of 2009 (this will pricing will apply at a minimum through 6/30/2010)

Let me know if I can supply additional information on the quotes.

We recently hired a Houston based Field Scientist to work with our TX customers and interested parties. We are also planning some TX demos the week of 10/26 if you are interested.

Best,

Ted

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**From:** Stelly\_David [mailto:stelly@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 12, 2009 11:17 AM  
**To:** Ted Young  
**Cc:** Stelly\_David  
**Subject:** Re: Updated quote, SVP

yes, please  
ds

On Oct 12, 2009, at 12:07 PM, Ted Young wrote:

Will get both versions sent to you today, did you want the 2<sup>nd</sup> year service contract included on the quotes?

Ted

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**From:** Stelly\_David [mailto:stelly@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 12, 2009 9:30 AM  
**To:** Ted Young  
**Cc:** Stelly\_David  
**Subject:** Re: Updated quote, SVP

Could be either, but probably after 12/01/09. Best to give both, perhaps. If time allows for you to send them today, I can put numbers into the grant proposal. Irrespective of that, I will share them locally, as we are in queue anyway.

Thanks,

David

On Oct 12, 2009, at 11:22 AM, Ted Young wrote:

Hi David,

Will do, would this be for potential purchase pre or post to 12/1/09?

We increased prices on 10/1, but am offering old pricing through 12/1 to those we have previously discussed.

Best,

Ted

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**From:** Stelly\_David [mailto:stelly@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 12, 2009 9:11 AM  
**To:** Ted Young  
**Cc:** Stelly\_David  
**Subject:** Updated quote, SVP

Ted,

Could you please update this quote with the newest versions and prices, please.

Thanks,

David Stelly

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O: (979) 845-2745

<Texas A&M University-Stelly-20091012-2.pdf><Texas  
A&M University-Stelly-20091012-1.pdf>

**From:** Delroy Collins  
**To:** Bill; Dennis; Dustin; Juera; Kerry; Seth; Steve  
**Subject:** spring planting at Weslaco  
**Date:** Friday, October 23, 2009 8:00:57 AM

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Hi, I talked to Beto yesterday about the spring planting at Weslaco. At the annex, the sugarcane lab is expanding and the researchers will need more plots/fields. In order to fit our plots into one location, Beto is moving our spring plantings to the Hiler farm. He recommends that any and all ratoon plots be planted together which will benefit the crop rotation management.

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**From:** Nelson, Alfred N  
**To:** Joe Cothren; f-hons; jm-chandler; L Rooney, Bill; p-baumann; Gaylon Morgan; m-baring; cwsmith  
**Cc:** David Baltensperger  
**Subject:** Re: Chemical storage at Farm Service  
**Date:** Friday, October 23, 2009 11:27:59 AM

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The chemical storage area is ready for re-occupation. Please clean the outside of your containers before replacing.  
Also, please place any unwanted chemicals on the washrack today as we will be taking a load to Taylor on Monday morning.  
Thanks for your help in getting this area re-organized.  
Al.

Alfred Nelson  
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Texas A&M University

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

From: "Alfred N Nelson" <alfred-nelson@neo.tamu.edu>  
To: "Joe Cothren" <jcothren@ag.tamu.edu>, "f-hons" <f-hons@tamu.edu>, "jm-chandler" <jm-chandler@tamu.edu>, "L Rooney, Bill" <wlr@tamu.edu>, "p-baumann" <p-baumann@tamu.edu>, "Gaylon Morgan" <GMorgan@ag.tamu.edu>, "m-baring" <m-baring@tamu.edu>, "cwsmith" <cwsmith@tamu.edu>  
Cc: "David Baltensperger" <DBaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2009 8:56:56 AM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
Subject: Chemical storage at Farm Service

Greetings,

We are going to clean the chemical storage room at Farm Services. If you have chemical containers stored here, please send a representative to remove them by Friday October 16 so we can clean the walls and floors next week.

In conjunction with this, we will be taking unwanted pesticides to the waste disposal event in Taylor on Oct. 26. Please place unwanted containers in the wash rack area and write 'dispose' on the jugs. Please have your representative contact Chooch, Donald, or I for instructions on where to temporarily store your chemicals. We will have trailers available.

Thanks for your help on this matter,

Al

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**From:** Hurley, Janie C.  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** RE: FW: Request for Approval - TAMUS 2741-2746  
**Date:** Friday, October 23, 2009 2:40:38 PM

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Dr. Rooney,

Sorry to bother you again, but Cleanergy is anxious to get this license in place. Again, they proposed taking all 6 lines. Please let me know if you want to provide them with a summary of your recent findings, or proceed to let them trial all 6.

Thanks much,  
Janie

Janie C. Hurley, MBA  
Sr. Licensing Manager

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**From:** Hurley, Janie C.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 06, 2009 3:29 PM  
**To:** 'Bill Rooney'  
**Cc:** Schuerman, Peter L.  
**Subject:** RE: FW: Request for Approval - TAMUS 2741-2746

Hi Dr. Rooney,

Thanks for letting me know. Do you have a summary prepared for the characteristics for each line, including this new data? I assume that you believe these weaknesses are such that they would not even be useful for breeding purposes?

Thanks much,  
Janie

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**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 04, 2009 12:49 PM  
**To:** Holland, L. Diane  
**Cc:** Baltensperger, David; McCutchen, Bill; Hurley, Janie C.; 'Steve Brown'  
**Subject:** RE: FW: Request for Approval - TAMUS 2741-2746

Diane:

Sorry for the delay; too many other things to do and not enough time for anything.

I haven't approved this distribution because things have changed with these lines. When they were originally distributed we had very little data to discriminate amongst them; hence, we made them all available. Now, two growing seasons later, we have quite a bit more data and the more recent data is clear that certain lines are better than others and that some of them have pretty significant weaknesses. These weaknesses are such that, now that we know about them, I would not feel right sending these lines to someone with licensing and fee expectations.

There are two lines in this set of six that are worthy of testing and licensing. I think the prudent approach is license those lines; if Cleanergy would like the others, knowing their weaknesses, then they could have them as negotiated between the groups.

I've copied Janie and Bill M. on this because they were not aware of the situation.  
Regards,

Bill

Dr. William L. Rooney  
Professor, Sorghum Breeding and Genetics  
Chair, Plant Release Committee  
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**From:** Holland, L. Diane [mailto:DHolland@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2009 1:32 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** FW: FW: Request for Approval - TAMUS 2741-2746

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**From:** Lloyd Rooney [mailto:lrooney@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2009 1:24 PM  
**To:** Holland, L. Diane  
**Subject:** Re: FW: Request for Approval - TAMUS 2741-2746

Hello; I think this should go to Bill Rooney not to me. I am forwarding to him as well . lwr

>>> "Holland, L. Diane" <DHolland@tamu.edu> 9/25/2009 11:57 AM >>>  
Dear Lloyd, David, and Bill,

I have received approval on the License Agreement TAMUS 2741-2746 from Steve and Warren. Could each of you email me your reply?

Thanks!  
Diane

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**From:** Holland, L. Diane  
**Sent:** Monday, September 21, 2009 3:15 PM  
**To:** 'Lloyd Rooney'; Baltensperger, David; 'Steve Brown'; McCutchen, Bill; DeLuca, Warren  
**Cc:** Slovacek, Jackie; Lawson, Caroline; Hurley, Janie C.  
**Subject:** Request for Approval - TAMUS 2741-2746  
**Importance:** High

Gentlemen<

Attached for your consideration and approval is a draft of a proposed Non-exclusive License Agreement between Cleanergy Seeds Ltd. and The Texas A&M University System. Also attached is a brief summarizing the terms of the Agreement, and an approval form. If the Agreement is acceptable as written, please indicate your approval with an email response copying everyone on this email. In the interest of time, we are doing this routing approval via email. I look forward to hearing back from you soon.

Best Regards,

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**From:** Larry Lambright  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Kenneth Davenport; wlr@tamu.edu  
**Subject:** RE: Seed Request for Chromatin - Grain Sorghums  
**Date:** Friday, October 23, 2009 2:57:01 PM

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Bill,

Based on our conversation earlier this week I have put together a preliminary list of grain sorghum inbreds for which Chromatin has interest in obtaining pending data from the trials at Friona.

Those entries include:

From the 2009 ADFH trial

From the 2009 ADMH trial

Upon gaining access to data from these trials, we may choose to scale back this list to some degree.

Best regards,

Larry

Larry Lambright  
Lambright Consulting, LLC  
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806.773.1328  
[redacted]

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**From:** Larry Lambright  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 2:38 PM  
**To:** 'wlr@tamu.edu'  
**Cc:** Kenneth Davenport  
**Subject:** Seed Request for Chromatin

Bill & Bill,

Based on the sweet sorghum and forage sorghum data you supplied as well as my visit to your trial site at Halfway, I would like to request the following inbreds for Chromatin:  
Sweet Sorghums

When documents are in order and you are ready to dispatch the seed, please send this request to the following address:

Chromatin, Inc.  
Rt.1, Box 63-2  
951 FM 2301  
Lockney, TX. 79241

Thanks in advance for your help.

Best regards,  
Larry

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*Larry Lambright*  
*Lambright Consulting, LLC*  
*5423 80<sup>th</sup> Street*  
*Lubbock, TX 79424*  
*806.773.1328*

**From:** Gary C. Peterson  
**To:** Delroy Collins; Bill L. Rooney  
**Subject:** PR plot numbers  
**Date:** Friday, October 23, 2009 4:05:32 PM

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My nursery this year use plot numbers 1-500. Additionally there will be 200 plots for Rob Aiken (hopefully number 501-700).



**From:** Spanninga, Annet AJ (ELS-AMS)  
**To:** undisclosed-recipients:  
**Subject:** FIELD CROPS RESEARCH boardmembers - Invitation for dinner during the ACS meeting in Pittsburgh, PA on 3 November 2009  
**Date:** Monday, October 26, 2009 9:29:31 AM  
**Importance:** High

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## Message to all Editorial Board Members of FIELD CROPS RESEARCH

Dear all,

I am attending the ACS meeting in Pittsburgh, PA, USA and have scheduled a dinner meeting with Editor-in-Chief Chris van Kessel on

Tuesday 3 November at 6pm. In view of this, we would hereby like to invite all boardmembers who are free to join us, for this informal get together.

Could you please let me know, **by 29 October at latest**, if you will be attending the ACS and if you would like to join us for dinner on

3 November at 6pm. *Please c.c. me in on your response*

For your information, Elsevier will have a stand at the exhibit (booth nr. 2018). I suggest we gather at the booth and proceed from there.

Many thanks and regards,

Ursula Culligan

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**From:** Borden, Dustin Ross  
**To:** bill rooney; Delroy Collins  
**Subject:** Moving Flats Around  
**Date:** Monday, October 26, 2009 9:41:03 AM

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**From:** Vilma Ruth Calderon  
**To:** Lloyd Rooney; Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** Kris Duville; Rene Clara  
**Subject:** project activities updated  
**Date:** Monday, October 26, 2009 10:57:32 AM

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Dr Rooney

Resuming the activities we had this last months to include in your reports:

- We had tree more workshops. One for the mechanical industry and other attendees from food industries to show the Omega mills prototypes (wood, ewing mill, and methal mills) the mills have bank and motor adapted already). The other workshop was for rural bakeries. We had 21 attendees from different part of the country. We had one more workshop with extension technicians from Region I of El Salvador and some farmers also. If you need pictures from this workshops i can send you some.

- We already have a omega mill distributor for El Salvador. His name is Lic Miranda. Kris helped to find the right person. He was e-mailing and making phone calls to different places . Lic Miranda is really interested in selling the omega VI mills. Kris have his information in case you need it. He is in contact with LeAnn.

\_ Also we got the farmer to farmer propossal aproved and we are going to start next february working in this project. Is Elliana Pinilla still going to El Salvador ? Ricardo Auerbach is ok with her?

\_ Cubans are coming next january 2010 to receive the sorghum processing short course. They sent a letter to our new Director Dr. Rene Rivera and he approved it. They are ready to come with visa and everything.

\_ I continue working with Pablo Anliker and Ascoparsal Bakers. They are working in a big project is a baking proccesing plant . They went to Mexico to buy wheat flour to prepare some premixes with sorghum flour. The premixes they are selling are 50% sorghum and 25% sorghum . They are selling sorghum products also.

- Tomorrow they will have also a farmer market and Lily will demonstrate how to use sorghum flour for the public .

When are you planning to visit us? Is Dr. Bill Rooney visiting El Salvador December? We have new Director , so it would be interesting if you meet him.

Vilma Ruth

--- On **Mon, 10/26/09, Lloyd Rooney** <lrooney@tamu.edu> wrote:

From: Lloyd Rooney <lrooney@tamu.edu>  
Subject: Re: how are you  
To: "Vilma Ruth Calderon" <  
Date: Monday, October 26, 2009, 8:21 AM

Vilma: Can you send me any additional info on the Salvador progress as I need to use it in putting together a report for my project and also Bill will need info for the CA report. I think I have most of the info except for the last two months or so. The Cubans are definitely coming in Jan? That will be great. Dr Rosenow passed away after a two month illness and Borlaug had a memorial service here at TAMU which was nice. We are quite busy. BEST LWr

>>> Vilma Ruth Calderon [REDACTED] 10/26/2009 9:07 AM

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Hi Dr Rooney

How are you? I'm in Kentucky right now . I'll be here until december 18. So I'll be working at CENTA until January. They changed the dates for my program so, i had to re-arrange everything in the lab, for example the cubans are going to El Salvador in January for the sorghum short course but Kris is in charge of the project activities right now. How is everything for you in the lab? . I heard that you were out of town. The program here is very good. Im taking classes of my interest also like food sanitation and quality during processing.

take care

Vilma Ruth Calderon de Zacatares

**From:** Thomas, Steven  
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Denichiro.Otsuga@sdstate.edu  
**Subject:** SunGrant and Steve Thomas  
**Date:** Monday, October 26, 2009 11:06:58 AM

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All,

Please pardon the mass email, but I wanted to make sure that I contacted each of you prior to the Agronomy meetings in Pittsburgh next week. As some of you already know, I am no longer employed by Ceres, but have taken a new position with DOE's Golden Field Office in Colorado. In my new capacity as a Project Officer, I will be involved with SunGrant and other biomass feedstock-related activities. I am very much looking forward to interacting with you all in this regard over the next several years. It is with this in mind that I was hoping to be able to get together with some of you in Pittsburgh next week, so that I can begin to familiarize myself with all of the ongoing and new SunGrant efforts. I was also hoping to be able to impose on those SunGrant PIs who I already know to introduce me to the many other PIs who may be in Pittsburgh next week, and who I have not yet met.

I have included my new contact information below. Please feel free to forward this information to anyone who might want to know where I disappeared to.

Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible in Pittsburgh.

Best regards, Steve

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1617 Cole Blvd., Bldg. 15-1  
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Tel: 303-275-4940  
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**From:** [Nilesh Dighe](#)  
**To:** [Ed Wolfrum](#)  
**Cc:** [Bill Rooney](#); [leohir](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Scans for predictions  
**Date:** Monday, October 26, 2009 11:30:50 AM

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Ed-

I know you must be very busy and so thought to remind you of the scans that I sent you for predictions, last week. It will be really helpful if you could have the predictions to us sometime this week (earlier the better) in order for us get things ready for the winter nursery planting in Puerto Rico.

Thanks.  
Nilesh

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

From: "Nilesh Dighe" <nileshdighe@neo.tamu.edu>  
To: "Ed Wolfrum" <Ed.Wolfrum@nrel.gov>  
Cc: "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu>,  
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2009 6:52:34 PM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
Subject: Scans for predictions

Ed-

Attached file includes scans for the samples that we like to have early predictions. We certainly appreciate your time in processing these samples for us.

Regards,  
Nilesh

**From:** [Pfeiffer, Todd](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Cc:** [Barrett, Michael](#);  
**Subject:** Sorghum energy biomass project  
**Date:** Monday, October 26, 2009 2:06:17 PM

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Bill,

I'm now serving as the department chair for Plant and Soil Sciences at UK. As such I'll be pulling back from the sorghum energy research. The work on the project at Kentucky has continued this summer and will continue the next two years. Dr. Michael Barrett has agreed to conduct this research and manage the project. The work continued this summer under the capable oversight and management of Dr. Thomas Stefaniak working with Dr. Barrett. Do we need to follow a specific procedure to get Dr. Barrett listed as the PI at Kentucky and to get him access to the ORNL web site?

Morris sends his regards.

Thanks,

Todd Pfeiffer  
859-257-5020

**From:** Tim Trop  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Subject:** Maui trip  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 27, 2009 12:03:06 AM

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Bill

Can you give me the next three days you have open to come to Maui to see the HCS fields so I can try to jump start this project?

Tim Trop

Btw Chris Cogburn was very helpful, thanks

**From:** Geraldo Eugenio  
**To:** wlr@tamv.edu;  
**Subject:** Visit to Texas A&M University  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 27, 2009 5:20:33 AM

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Dear Bill,

I will on be in Washington during Nov 17 and 18. I am planning to pay a visit to the Texas A&M, probably from Nov 19 to Nov 21. I am asking you, if you woul be at College Station at this time, to send me an invitation letter for the visit at Texas A&M.

It is necessary for us to proceed with the travel arrangements.

If will be not at College Station, please ask Dr. Rooney ou Dr. Sam Feagley to prepare this invitation.

Sincerily Yours.

Jose Geraldo Eugenio de França

Embrapa - Executive Director

**From:** [Borden, Dustin Ross](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Cc:** [Delroy Collins](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Moving Flats Around  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 27, 2009 9:12:12 AM

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Dr. Rooney

Dr. Vietor is doing a run-off study and has inquired about getting seed of either a sweet sorghum or bioenergy sorghum that has been released or produce recently. I was thinking of giving him the hybrid that we produced, but I wanted to check with you first. Let me know what you think. He only needs 100g, and said that he will only be growing them for around 6 weeks.

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

From: "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
To: "Dustin Ross" 'Borden' <[dborden@neo.tamu.edu](mailto:dborden@neo.tamu.edu)>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 8:16:48 AM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
Subject: RE: Moving Flats Around

Sounds good. Move'm

Bill

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

From: Borden, Dustin Ross [<mailto:dborden@neo.tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2009 9:41 AM  
To: bill rooney; Delroy Collins  
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**From:** mohan.gowda  
**To:** bill.payne; Dr.Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** John Mullet; Seth Murray; Maria Balota  
**Subject:** Prelim's exam-schedule  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 27, 2009 1:15:26 PM

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Dr.Payne and Dr.Rooney,  
I did contacted all the members of my committee regarding schedule for my prelims exam and here is the final schedule for written and oral.

Written Exam schedule:  
Nov 9th, Dr.Rooney's exam  
Nov 10th , Dr.Mullet  
Nov 11th Dr.Balota  
Nov 12th Dr.Payne and  
Nov 13th Dr.Murray

Oral exam: Nov 23rd, 10.00 am.

Dr.Payne, there is little change in date with respect your written exam. Instead of Nov 13th, that we scheduled in our earlier meeting, I'm planning to write it on Nov 12th. This is for your kind information.

Thanks  
Mohan