student sustainability committee

March 7, 2011

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) Student Sustainability Committee

Re: Request for funding from the UIUC Sustainability / Clean Energy Technology Fees Project: Integrated Pest Management Applicant: Susan Ratcliffe

Dear Susan:

On behalf of the Student Sustainability Committee for the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, I would like to thank you for responding to our call for proposals to use funds raised by the Student Clean Energy Technology and Sustainability Fees to implement a project that improves the sustainability of our campus. Each proposal was evaluated based on its sustainability impact (i.e. energy or sustainability impact, campus presence, project longevity, and budget) and broader impact (i.e. education and creativity).

The Committee is pleased to inform you that we are recommending to the Office of Sustainability that your project (to address pest management issues impacting students and university housing while promoting environmental stewardship) receive \$30,000 in matching grant funding, with the following requirements: 1) that the Integrated Pest Management project utilize this funding for activities at University-owned facilities at the Urbana campus, 2) that the project develop a plan to scale activities toward other suitable University owned facilities that are not part of the initial program, to be shared with those facility users, campus administration and the Committee and 3) that all funds provided by the SSC be expended by March 31, 2013 and that a final report of all work completed and accounting of funds spent be provided to us by April 31, 2013. If you have any questions regarding these requirements, please contact us at sustainability-committee@illinois.edu.

The Committee will contact you when the Office of Sustainability officially approves this project. At that point, we will discuss the Committee's protocol for financial and progress management to complete this project, and make arrangements for transfer of funds. Semesterly update reports and account statements describing how funds are being used will be required in addition to a comprehensive final report on project completion. The committee must approve all substantial modifications to project scope, budget or timeline. Please note that all implemented projects will be expected to follow the relevant campus policies and procedures as well as any applicable State and Federal laws.

Again, thank you for your interest in improving the sustainability of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Suhail F. Barot

UIUC Student Sustainability Committee, Chair

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Project: Integrated Pest Management

Funding Source: Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

Funding Amount: \$30,000

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Project Description:

This proposal looks to implementa two-year enhanced Integrated Pest Management (IPM) plan to assist University Housing with pest management needs, while reducing pest management costs, reducing students' exposure to pests and pesticides, and promoting environmental stewardship. The project goals include: (1) Collaboration on a pilot IPM plan between University Dining Services and Terminix to evaluate IPM practices and identify possible ways to reduce pesticide applications in the dormitories food service areas; (2) Developing educational materials for students, parents and others regarding pest management and notifications of any pest related issues (some materials will be used for University-owned apartment residents and others for dormitories) in collaboration with University Housing. The project lead currently has a \$30,000 grant from USDA National Institute for Food and Agriculture to promote school integrated pest management in Illinois. The Student Sustainability Committee is in favor of supporting a matching funds grant in the amount of \$30,000 to be used only foractivities at University-owned facilities at the Urbana campus.

Student Sustainability Committee:

Suhail Barot, 10-11 Committee Chair

Date Approved: 4/5/11

Date Approved: 45-301

Office of Sustainability:

Steve Sonka, Vice-Chancellor for Public Engagement,

Interim Director, Office of Sustainability

Date Approved: 4/5///

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