

US Senate Finance Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to express my views on continuing the Alternative Fuel Mixture Tax Credit Program to December 31, 2009.

This credit is extremely important in maintaining the livelihood of Domtar Paper Company and ultimately to the people who depend on Domtar during these challenging economic times.

The pulp and paper industry runs circles around industries in the production and use of renewable power. Our mills fulfill over 70% of our power needs from burning black liquor - a residual of the pulping process made of lignin, the organic "glue" or liquid biomass that binds wood fibers together. This glue is a pure form of renewable energy treasured for its high BTU content. We burn this high BTU value liquid biomass to generate power to run our mills.

Our industry has shown leadership in the area of biomass utilization for generations. This credit will enable our mills to continue to lead the way in the area of renewable energy. For these reasons, please do not terminate the Alternative Fuel Mixture Tax Credit Program prior to its current statutory end on December 31, 2009.

Thank you,

Lu Ann DeBolt  
Domtar

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