SUDER AND ZIEN HELP DELIVER $1.3 MILLION ETHANOL DEVELOPMENT CHECK TO STANLEY

Legislators Say Ethanol Production is Helping Farmers and Creating Good Jobs

STANLEY- State Representative Scott Suder (R-Abbotsford) and State Senator Dave Zien (R-Wheaton) were on hand to welcome Governor Jim Doyle to Stanley and help him present a $1.3 million check to Ace Ethanol last Tuesday. The check was delivered at a ceremony at Stanley-Boyd High School. Suder and Zien were instrumental in helping create and pass the “Ethanol Incentive Program” which was created to help build new ethanol plants in Wisconsin.

“The Stanley ethanol plant has created good paying jobs for our area and is boosting corn prices for area farmers,” Suder stated. “We need to continue to support and encourage economic development of this kind which helps farmers and boosts our rural economy.”

The ethanol incentive program was created in the 2000 state budget in order to encourage and assist the construction of new ethanol plants in Wisconsin. Ace Ethanol, the first large-scale ethanol production facility of its kind in the state, is the first to receive a payment under the program.

“Ethanol is good for farmers, it’s good for the environment, and it’s good for the economy,” said Zien. “Ace Ethanol should be congratulated for all it is doing for our community.”

Ace Ethanol’s production of 10 million gallons of ethanol qualified the facility
for state assistance under the program. Governor Doyle said ethanol was a good program for Wisconsin.

“Programs like this can be a win-win for the state,” Governor Doyle said. “I am pleased we were able to provide this funding and give a boost to the ethanol facility in Stanley.”

Prior to 2001, Wisconsin was using nearly 86 million gallons of ethanol, but producing virtually none in the state. Ace Ethanol has been operating for nearly 9 months and has a capacity to produce about 15 million gallons of ethanol per year. Suder and Zien hailed the state assistance as good news for our area’s economic security.

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