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U.S.-CHINA BIOFUELS COOPERATION MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), and China's National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on biofuels cooperation. The two countries agreed to work together on the scientific, technical, and policy aspects of biofuels development, production, and use. These areas include biomass production and sustainability, conversion technologies, bio-based products, and rural development strategies. The MOU stands to benefit U.S. and Chinese agricultural producers as new markets and uses for agricultural commodities and their waste products may be found through increased cooperation, dialogue, exchanges, and projects facilitated by this MOU.