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**STAKEHOLDER ANNOUNCEMENT**

USDA agencies including the Office of Energy Policy and New Uses, Rural Development the U.S. Forest Service, the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the National Institute of Food and Agriculture will participate in a meeting being organized by the Farm Foundation on November 16, 17 and 18, 2010 in Knoxville, Tenn. The meeting deals with the topic of Renewable Energy and Biomass.

The meeting, entitled “Renewable Energy Biomass Education Field Day” will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. While there is no registration fee, registration is limited. The field day is intended to provide land owners, land managers and state technical and educational professionals access to comprehensive science-based information needed to make informed decisions about incorporating biomass-based energy production into private or commercial business operations.

The Farm Foundation, which is organizing the meeting is a 501 c (3) non-profit organization. For more information on the field day contact the Foundation at (630) 571-9393.

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