



August 2, 2011

VIA FAX

The Honorable Senator Richard Lugar
United States Senate
Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Lugar:

On behalf of the Midwest Food Processors Association I would like to thank you for introducing S. 1427, the Farm Flexibility Act of 2011. Our members are truly appreciative of your efforts.

The Midwest produces and processes more sweet corn, peas, potatoes, and beans than almost any area of the country. Nationally, Indiana ranks second in the production of tomatoes for processing and the value of that crop in 2009 was \$36.3 million.

Encouraging the growing of fruits and vegetables for processing on farm program acres will help to ensure the continued success of this industry in Indiana. It will save the government money without harming other farm sectors and save American jobs while enhancing the environment.

The MWFPA thanks you for your support and looks forward to working with you to enact S. 1427. If I can provide you with any additional information or support, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nick George", is written over the typed name.

Nicholas C. George
President
Midwest Food Processors Association