



United States Department of Agriculture

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

August 20, 2010

Director Stephen J. Herbert
Massachusetts – University of Massachusetts
112 Stockbridge Hall

Amherst, MA 01002

Dear Director Herbert:

The Executive Director on behalf of the Regional Directors Association has RECOMMENDED APPROVAL of the following MRF project NE-1044 – Whole farm dairy and beef systems: gaseous emissions, P management, organic production, and pasture based production beginning October 01, 2010 through October 01, 2015.

NIFA concurs with the recommendation of the Executive Director and has APPROVED this project. A copy of the approved MRF project outline will be available to all participating stations and agencies via the National Information Management and Support System.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara A. Hewitt".

Accountability and Reporting Leader
for Dr. Ralph Otto
Associate Administrator, NIFA

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