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Subject: Support of Midwest BioLink Incubator

Dear Mr. Price:

Having developed technologies for the efficient control of plant growth environments on the International Space Station, Orbital Technologies Corporation has now scaled these same biomass production technologies, making them appropriate for bio-manufactured proteins for structural fiber and pharmaceutical markets.

During the past three years we have been working with the City of Madison and the State of Wisconsin, and have made our own investments, to develop scaled-up, biosecure controlled environment growth facilities currently used to produce plant-made proteins for Kevlar-replacing structural fibers. Our controlled environment growth technologies and manufacturing processes are also directly applicable to pharmaceutical proteins.

ORBITEC has invested in building biosecure controlled environment growth facilities at our headquarters. We also offer the Midwest Biolink Incubator project the solid-state lighting and environmental control technologies, making the proposed Incubator globally unique in its productivity and energy efficiency. Our lighting systems alone contribute to a validated 50% energy savings when compared to conventional lighting.

From our perspective, your support of the Midwest BioLink Incubator will not only yield jobs within weeks of approval, but will stimulate a bio-production sector within the economy that is both sustainable and globally competitive.

Respectfully submitted,

ORBITAL TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T M Crabb". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over the printed name of the signatory.

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