



The Secretary of Energy
Washington, D.C. 20585

November 30, 2007

The Honorable Tim Johnson
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Johnson:

Thank you for your October 25, 2007, letter expressing continued support of the FutureGen project and for the efforts of many individuals throughout the State of Illinois who have been working on Illinois' proposal to host FutureGen.

The Department of Energy has been working expeditiously to assure that the final stage of the environmental compliance process is thoroughly completed. We have recently issued the final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Notice of the EIS availability was published in the Federal Register on November 16, 2007. We are diligently working to complete the process and issue the Record of Decision in a timeframe that supports FutureGen site selection by the end of December 2007.

We appreciate your interest in FutureGen and your support for the project. If you require additional information, please contact me or Ms. Lisa E. Epifani, Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, at (202) 586-5450.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Samuel W. Bodman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "B" and "W".

Samuel W. Bodman

