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NCGA to Study, Comment on New Senate Climate and Energy Bill

WASHINGTON (May 12, 2010) -- National Corn Growers Association President Darrin Ihnen offers the following statement regarding the American Power Act released today by Sens. John Kerry (D-Mass.) and Joe Lieberman (I-Conn):

"The National Corn Growers Association is reviewing the discussion draft of the American Power Act released today by Senators John Kerry and Joe Lieberman. We have provided input to the Senate over the past several months on provisions pertaining to the agriculture industry and we will continue to offer feedback after we have a chance to review the text of this important piece of legislation.

"NCGA could not support the Waxman-Markey bill on the House side due to the potential adverse economic impacts on corn growers. In light of that, we will once again conduct an analysis of the new Senate version of climate legislation before taking a position on the Kerry-Lieberman proposal. We will also wait for the official analysis from the Environmental Protection Agency in the coming weeks.

"NCGA looks forward to working with the Senate as the bill moves forward."

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Founded in 1957, the National Corn Growers Association represents 35,000 dues-paying corn farmers nationwide. NCGA and its 48 affiliated state organizations work together to create and increase opportunities for their members and their industry.