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Trends in Alternative Energy Seminar to be Held at NCC

On Tuesday, February 23, Northwest Iowa Community College will host a free *Trends in Alternative Energy Seminar*. The seminar is going to be held in Building A on the campus of NCC, Sheldon, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A free lunch will be included. Please register by calling NCC at 324-5061 or 1-800-352-4907 and mention section #19383.

The seminar will draw some of the biggest leaders in alternative energy production technology in the United States. Keynote speakers include: Bill Northey, John Dunlap, Kelly Manning, Kristi Harshbarger, and Jim Sturdevant. Senator Charles Grassley and Congressman Steve King have also been invited.

Bill Northey, a native of Spirit Lake, is Secretary of Agriculture for the state of Iowa. His priorities as Secretary of Agriculture are advancing the opportunities available through renewable energy, promoting conservation and stewardship, and telling the story of Iowa agriculture.

John Dunlop is a Senior Project Engineer with the American Wind Energy Association, the trade association for the U.S. wind energy industry based in Washington DC. He leads AWEA's program to improve the productivity of existing wind farms through efficient and safe operation, maintenance and workforce training, and provides technical information and outreach to organizations.

Kelly Manning is the Vice President of Development for Growth Energy. He is responsible for retaining and recruiting Ethanol Plants and Industry partners to invest in Growth Energy. He also is responsible for the management of Growth Force. Growth Force is a grass roots effort launched last year that is currently at 13,000 members and growing.

Kristi Harshbarger is an associate attorney with the Brown Winick Law Firm. Kristi represents renewable fuels clients in various aspects of their business operations including business organization, securities, registration, equity financing, securities compliance, board of director operations, shareholder matters and other various business transactions. She has written articles for The Biodiesel Magazine.

Jim Sturdevant of POET, LLC, is the Director of Project Liberty. The goal of Project Liberty is to bring cellulosic ethanol to commercial viability in order to reduce global warming, revitalize the rural economy and lessen our country's dependency on foreign oil.

Northwest Iowa Community College's mission is to be a progressive learning college rapidly responding to the changing needs of our global community. Please register by calling NCC at 324-5061 or 1-800-352-4907 and mention section #19383.