COMMITTEE MINUTES for
AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Date: February 14, 2007 **Place:** Room 305

Convened: 2/14/2007 9:45 AM **Recessed:** **Reconvened:** **Adjourned:** 2/14/2007 10:30 AM

Present: Senators Seng-CH, Schoenjahn-VC, Gaskill-RM, Black, Houser
Representatives Kuhn-CH, Bailey-VC, De Boef-RM, Bell, Deyoe, Grassley, Mertz, Olson, D., Rasmussen

Absent: None

Excused: None

Sen. Seng called the meeting to order.

Roll was taken.

The committee briefly discussed the nuts and bolts of putting together the budget in relation to the targets being set.

Sen. Seng introduced Sean Fitzsimmons, Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Mr. Fitzsimmons gave a presentation entitled, "Status of Hyrdrogen Sulfide and Ammonia Monitoring for the CAFO Field Study." It included a brief history, the standard of testing, monitoring site locations, as well as the HEV and HES throughout the state.
Mr. Fitzsimmons then fielded questions from the committee.

Sen. Seng recognized former Rep. Paul Johnson, who was in attendnace.

Mr. Fitzsimmons gave a second presentation, entitled, "EPA's Revised Fine Particle Standards: Implications for Iowa." The presentation focused on the health benefits of the new standards, how they will affect Iowa, the different types of monitoring data, and the timeline for Iowa the meet the new standard. Questions were then fielded from the committee.

Sen. Seng introduced Chuck Corell, Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Mr. Corell gave a presentation on the Natural Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). The presentation dealth with fees and revenues with a focus on funds generated by permits as well as some issues arising from the fee regulations concerning single family homes and very small towns. Mr. Corell fielded questions from the committee.

Rep. Grassley moved the committee arise.

The committee adjourned.

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Senator Dr. Joe M. Seng

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Ben Humphrey, Committee Secretary