

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Resolution 98-26

May 21, 1998

Agenda Item No.: 98-5-5

WHEREAS, the Air Resources Board (ARB) has been directed to administer the Rice Straw Demonstration Project Fund (the Rice Fund) pursuant to Health and Safety Code sections 39750-39753;

WHEREAS, the Rice Fund was created to provide cost-sharing grants to proponents of projects which use rice straw in order to speed the development of a market for Sacramento Valley rice straw;

WHEREAS, a grant request entitled "Production of Fermented Animal Feeds from Sacramento Valley Rice Straw: Prototype and Commercial Pilot" was submitted by MBI International in response to the Rice Fund Invitation for Grant Requests 98-1;

WHEREAS, the above grant request has been independently evaluated by expert reviewers using the funding criteria adopted by the Board at its January 29, 1998, public meeting;

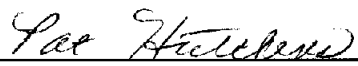
WHEREAS, the ARB staff has reviewed the project and recommend it for funding in the amount of \$820,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Air Resources Board hereby finds that the project meets the program criteria and accepts staff's recommendation to award a grant from the Rice Straw Demonstration Project Fund to the following project:

"Production of Fermented Animal Feeds from Sacramento Valley Rice Straw: Prototype and Commercial Pilot" submitted by MBI International for a grant award of \$820,000, and designates this project as Rice Fund Project Number 98-03.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Officer is hereby directed to initiate administrative procedures and execute all necessary documents to implement this grant award.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 98-26, as adopted by the Air Resources Board.


Pat Hutchens, Clerk of the Board