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Senator Richard Lugar to be Featured on Ethanol Minute Radio

Washington, DC, April 6, 2009: U.S. Senator Richard Lugar (R-IN), Ranking Member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and one of the Senate's strongest voices for Energy Security will be this week's guest commentator on the **Ethanol Minute** Radio Program.

Senator Lugar, who also serves as Co-Chairman of the **Ethanol Across America** Education campaign, addresses a number of issues in the radio message that support the continued production and use of ethanol as part of the US energy and environmental strategy.

"America's overwhelming dependence on imported oil comes at a great cost. In 2008 we spent a record \$453 billion on imported petroleum," said Senator Lugar. "Ethanol is already replacing 10% of our gasoline and new biofuels produced from agricultural residue and municipal waste can do much more," he said.

The **Ethanol Minute** is broadcast on radio stations from coast to coast and heard nearly 1,000 times per week. The program features individuals from business, politics, entertainment, government and academia who provide a brief view of the role of biofuels like ethanol.

Douglas Durante, Director of the **Ethanol Across America** campaign said, "Senator Lugar brings unparalleled experience to this issue, having served as Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and as a long time member and former Chairman of the Agriculture Committee. He is a knowledgeable and respected voice throughout the world on energy security and the importance of a vibrant and productive agricultural system that can meet both food and fuel needs."

For more information on the **Ethanol Minute** and the **Ethanol Across America** Campaign, log on to www.ethanolacrossamerica.net.

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