

Action/Research Team *Response Sheet* for Sector ___Energy/ Ag and Food_____

1. On which initiative(s) will your team focus in the coming year?

(Check one initiative, and check a second initiative only if it's appropriate for your team and its resources.)

- The "NY North Country First" Campaign (Pay Cards/Promotion)
- Renewable Energy and Biofuels production (Fiber bio-refineries/"Biofuel culture")
- Business Development Initiatives at Clarkson University
- Entrepreneurial Education (School curriculum/ Workforce training)
- County Chamber Initiatives (Transportation and/or BionTech)
- Integrated Summer Sport and Fitness Facilities (Catalog/ORDA/Promotion)
- Population Recruitment (Canton "Coming Home: model and/or "Come Farm with Us")
- Other: _____

2. What goal(s) can your team set to help forward the chosen initiative(s) in the coming 6-12 months?

- a. *Collect and compile accurate data about potential areas for farming switch grass*_____
- b. *Conduct market analysis, number and type of potential uses and incentives needed to get them to switch*_____
- c. *Study of, or at least literature review of ecological issues related to production of switch grass*
- d. *Funding entrepreneurs for residential pellet heating project*
- e. *Recruit large-scale pellet user projects*
- f. *Fact sheet on growing switch grass*
- g. *Joint SLU-CES project to campaign for residential energy efficiency improvement in Canton*
- h. *Research into options for establishing pellet production facilities in SLC and ownership options including cooperative ownerships.*

3. What organizations, other action/research teams, individuals, or resources can your team engage to help accomplish your team's goal(s)?

- a. *Population recruitment – help recruit entrepreneurs*_____
- b. *Entrepreneurial education – growers of switch grass and pelleting facilities*
- c. *Clarkson – market research*_____

4. What is your team's plan for moving forward? Who will make the contacts listed in #3 (above)? What are the first (and next) steps?

*We have identified people to take the lead on most of the goals. We will meet regularly as Energy Task Force. Work on all goals will move forward simultaneously.*_____

5. Convener(s): Who will help to convene for your team in 2007 – 2008? (list at least one)

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