

Governors' Ethanol Coalition

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Ms. Elizabeth Lowery, Vice President
Environment and Energy
General Motors Corporation
Renaissance Center
Detroit, MI 48265

Dear Ms. Lowery:

On behalf of the Governors' Ethanol Coalition we would like to congratulate General Motors for the recent introduction of your 2002 line of E85 light-duty flexible fuel pickups. This announcement reinforces GM's leadership and commitment to the production of vehicles that operate on clean, domestic, renewable fuels.

As you know, the Governors' Ethanol Coalition has long been an advocate of the use of E85 as a form of alternative transportation fuel and has worked with all the automakers in the effort to promote the production and purchase of flexible fuel vehicles. As important as these vehicles are, it is no less important that E85 fuel be available to motorists who purchase these vehicles. In this regard, the Governors' Ethanol Coalition assisted in the formation of the National Ethanol Vehicle Coalition and continues to serve on its Board of Directors.

During the past year, through the efforts of the National Ethanol Vehicle Coalition and its members, we have been able to secure resources to begin the first phase of a long-term program to build public E85 fueling sites to serve the thousands of E85 vehicles now on the road. This effort and subsequent actions to promote, advocate, and establish public E85 fueling sites will advance our nation's energy independence and assist in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Please extend our appreciation for your continued leadership in the production of E85 vehicles to all the management, staff, and employees of General Motors. We look forward to continuing to work with GM in our joint efforts to encourage the use of E85.

Sincerely,

Mike Johanns Governor of Nebraska and
Chairman, Governors' Ethanol Coalition

Bob Holden
Governor of Missouri and
Vice Chairman, Governors' Ethanol Coalition