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To Whom it May Concern:

With this letter I am expressing my interest in participating in a project on the use of hemp for phytoremediation of manure contaminants in Wisconsin. Our work at Colorado State University on hemp phytoremediation was recently featured in Rolling Stone magazine. Bevan Suits from Hemp for the Future LLC contacted me after reading the article, and invited me to this potential joint project in Wisconsin. As a Professor at Colorado State University, I teach courses in phytoremediation and plant physiology, and am developing a course on hemp biology; thus, I have relevant expertise. My group's research focuses on phytoremediation and hemp biology. Several of my former graduate students have started hemp companies, thus I am well-connected in Colorado with the hemp industry. I think this Wisconsin project will offer an interesting research opportunity for a graduate student in my group. It should be possible to remediate current contaminants and prevent future pollution problems, while at the same time creating valuable hemp products that can offset the remediation costs. I look forward to working with participants in developing a project plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "EPSmits".

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