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Washington, DC 20515

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Chairman David Obey
House Appropriations Committee
H-218, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member Jerry Lewis
House Appropriations Committee
1016 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Obey & Ranking Member Lewis:

I am requesting \$1,000,000.00 for In Ovo Vaccination by Recombinant Adenovirus Vectors in fiscal year 2010. The entity to receive funding for this project is VAXIN Inc., located at 1500 1st Avenue North, Suite D116, Birmingham, AL 35203. The funding would be used at Vaxin to create and test the new recombinant adenovirus poultry vaccine prospects. This vaccine protects birds against avian influenza before the bird is hatched. Other funds would be used in conjunction with Auburn University in Alabama, the USDA Poultry Research Laboratory, and with commercial poultry growers to test the new vaccine(s). Taxpayer Justification: Pandemic influenza occurs when avian influenza is transmitted from poultry to human and then from human to human. This novel method of protection of birds via in ovo vaccination preserves the poultry industry and protects U.S. citizens from avian influenza.

I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any direct financial interest in this project.

Also, I hereby certify that this request will be made publicly available on my Official Website as required by Chairman Obey's new Committee policy that only posted requests will be considered.

Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable. I further certify that should this request be included in the bill, I will place a statement in the Congressional Record describing how the funds will be spent and justifying the use of federal taxpayer funds.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Aderholt