

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House by email at [gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov](mailto:gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov), within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.**

1. Name of Traveler: Trevor Hustus
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR**  None  
b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates: Departure: 8/21/2024 Return: 8/22/2024  
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR**  None
4. Departure City: Washington, DC Destination: Westfield, IN Return City: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Beck's Hybrids
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Meetings were directly related to Agriculture policy and industry process, including the following examples: Seed production, economics of farming, equipment innovation, agronomy and ag research, seed quality and treatment, future ag policy direction, etc
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box:*
  - a.  a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
  - b.  the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
  - c.  page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
  - d.  the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a.  I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*  
b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature of Traveler:  Date: August 27, 2024

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Lisa C. McClain Date: August 27, 2024

Signature of Supervising Member: 

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## SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

Original  Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: Beck's Hybrids

2. Travel Destination(s): Westfield, IN

3. Date of Departure: 8/21/2024 Date of Return: 8/22/2024

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Janey Green, Matthew Wininger, Kate Covington, Trevor Hustus, Allen Garnes, Christina Lassiter


*Note:* You may list more than one traveler on a form only if **all** information is **identical** for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$458.95	\$129.00	\$102.00	N/A
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6.  All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

**I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: August 27, 2024

Name: Kala Jenkins Title: Government Affairs Advocate

Organization: Beck's Hybrids

**I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.**

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*Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.*

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

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## PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.**

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

Beck's Hybrids

2.  I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. **Check only one.** I represent that:

a.  The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**

b.  The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**

c.  The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): See Addendum

5. Yes  No  Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: 8/20/2024 Date of Return: 8/22/2024

7. a. City of departure: Omaha, NE or Minneapolis, MN or Washington, DC

b. Destination(s): Westfield, IN

c. City of return: Omaha, NE or Minneapolis, MN or Washington, DC

8. **Check only one.** I represent that

a.  The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**

b.  The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**

c.  The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**

- a.  I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**  
b.  I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**  
c.  I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**  
d.  I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10.  Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**

- a.  I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; OR*  
b.  *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For *each* sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip *and* its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

See addendum  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**

- a. Mode of travel: Air  Rail  Bus  Car  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)  
b. Class of travel: Coach  Business  First  Charter  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)  
c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

14.  I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:

- a.  The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**  
b.  The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:

1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): See addendum  
\_\_\_\_\_

2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: See addendum  
\_\_\_\_\_

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: SpringHill Suites Indianapolis City: Westfield Cost Per Night: \$129

Reason(s) for Selecting: Proximity  
\_\_\_\_\_

Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost Per Night: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason(s) for Selecting: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost Per Night: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason(s) for Selecting: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

17.  I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total <b>Transportation</b> Expenses per Participant	Total <b>Lodging</b> Expenses per Participant	Total <b>Meal</b> Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$865	\$258	\$102
For each Accompanying Family Member			


	<b>Other</b> Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$50	Information Materials / room rental
For each Accompanying Family Member	N/A	

19. **Check only one:**

- a.  I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b.  *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
- b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
- c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: 8-14-29  
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If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

## **PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM ADDENDUM**

**QUESTION 4: Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):**

See attached invitation list. This Beck's Hybrids sponsored event focuses on the importance and process of hybrid seed breeding in the agriculture industry, Practical Farm Research, and the advancement of agri-technology in modern farming. This fact-finding trip is tailored to provide information and hands-on learning for Congressional staff directly related to policy being considered by the House, the Committee on Agriculture, and related to the representative interests found in the Member's Congressional Districts. Congressional staff have been invited based on their affiliation with the Agriculture Committee, agriculture interests in their Member's district, and/or their connection to agriculture legislation being constructed in their office or considered by the House.

**QUESTION 12: For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:**

Beck's Hybrids is the third-largest seed brand in the United States, providing high-yielding corn, soybeans, wheat, and elite alfalfa to farmers across more than a dozen states. Beck's Hybrids is hosting this event as a leader in agriculture innovation and technology development so that Congressional staff have the opportunity to learn more about the industry, hear directly from affiliated farmers, and create policy in the best interest of American agriculture. Beck's Hybrids is the sole organizer and conductor of this event.

**QUESTION 13(a): Mode of travel:**

Both air and car travel are permissible. Car travel will be reimbursed at the GSA rate for total mileage driven (up to 400 miles each direction).

**QUESTION 15(b)1: Detail the cost per day of meals:**

- Wednesday total cost: \$97
- Thursday total cost: \$5

We will be catering lunch and dinner for participants on Wednesday. Breakfast is free for hotel guests. On Thursday, lunch will be provided during Becknology Days, "without regard" to congress attendance. This meal is free for event attendees, with an estimated cost of \$5.

**QUESTION 15(b)2: Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:**

Atlanta, IN is the headquarters and premier hybrid seed facility for Beck's Hybrids. It is also the location of the day two event which is part of a larger conference. (The first day is comprised of sessions specifically for Congressional staff. The second day is a large conference with a specialized agenda for Congressional staff built inside of the main program).

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## **SEEDS OF INNOVATION: BRIDGING POLICY AND AGRICULTURE**

**August 20, 2024**

**Atlanta, IN**

### **10:36 P.M. | ARRIVE INDIANAPOLIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

- Flight #1 – depart OMA at 5:53PM – arrive IND at 10:36PM
  - American Airlines, flight #4086 and 674
    - JAMES WRIGHT
- Flight #2 – depart MSP at 7:59PM – arrive IND at 10:36PM
  - Delta, flight #674
    - LES ANDERSON

### **11:00 P.M. | TRANSPORTATION TO HOTEL**

- Springhill Suites: 19317 Westmore Ln, Westfield, IN 46074

**August 21, 2024**

**Atlanta, IN**

### **8:22 A.M. | ARRIVE INDIANAPOLIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

- Flight #3 – depart DCA at 6:3AM – arrive IND at 8:22AM
  - American Airlines, flight #4352
    - MATTHEW WININGER
    - JANEY GREEN
    - CHRISTINA LASSITER
    - ALLEN GARNES
    - KATE COVINGTON
    - TREVOR HUSTUS

### **9:00 A.M. | DEPART INDIANAPOLIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR BECK'S HYBRIDS FACILITY**

- 6767 E. 276TH ST Atlanta, IN 46062

### **10:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M. | ARRIVE AT BECK'S HYBRIDS FACILITY**

- Sign in with sponsor
- Break and networking time with congressional participants and Beck's employees

### **10:30 A.M. – 10:45 A.M. | WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

- Opening remarks from the host and the Beck Family
- Overview of the day's agenda
  - Kala Jenkins, Government Affairs Advocate, Beck's Hybrids
  - Sonny Beck, CEO, Beck's Hybrids
  - Scott Beck, President, Beck's Hybrids



#### **10:45 A.M. – 11:15 A.M. | INTRODUCTION TO BECK'S**

- Presentation on the history of Beck's Hybrids
- Discussion on Beck's impact on agriculture
  - Paul Compton, Facility Tour Lead and Sales Consultant, Beck's Hybrids

#### **11:15 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. | SEED PRODUCTION 101**

- Detailed explanation of the seed production process
- Insight into the importance of seed quality and genetic diversity
  - Kevin Colbert, Trait Operations Manager, Beck's Hybrids
  - Tom Koch, Research Manager, Beck's Hybrids

#### **12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M. | LUNCH AND ECONOMICS OF FARMING**

- Catered lunch served
- Discussion of the economic challenges and opportunities in modern farming
- Analysis of market trends and financial strategies for farmers
  - Tom Foreman, Director of Finance, Beck's Hybrids
  - Adam Schultz, Credit Manager, Beck's Hybrids

#### **1:00 P.M. – 1:45 P.M. | EQUIPMENT INNOVATION**

- Presentation on the latest advancements in agricultural equipment
- Demonstrations of new technologies and their applications
  - Brad Fruth, Director of Innovation, Beck's Hybrids
  - Will Hirschfield, Innovation Project Manager, Beck's Hybrids

#### **1:45 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. | BREAK**

#### **2:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. | AGRONOMY & PRACTICAL FARM RESEARCH (PFR)<sup>®</sup>**

- Overview of Beck's research initiatives
- Introduction to Practical Farm Research (PFR)<sup>®</sup> programs
  - Jim Schwartz, Director of Research, Agronomy, and PFR, Beck's Hybrids

##### **Root Reveal<sup>™</sup>**

- Importance of root health in crop production
- Methods and findings from recent research
  - Jim Schwartz, Director of Research, Agronomy, and PFR, Beck's Hybrids

##### **Drones vs. Sprayers**

- Learn more about drones and their effectiveness vs ground-rig sprayers
- Discover the affordability of spray drones and if new technologies will replace them
  - Jim Love, UAV & Light Robotics Manager and Herbicide Specialist, Beck's Hybrids

#### **3:00 P.M. – 3:15 P.M. | BREAK**

#### **3:15 P.M. – 3:45 P.M. | SEED QUALITY LAB**

- Hands-on demonstration of seed quality control, stress testing, and germination



- Tom Mager, Seed Quality Lab Manager, Beck's Hybrids

### **3:45 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. | THE POWER OF SEED TREATMENTS**

- Learn how comprehensive seed treatments can counteract lower market prices by increasing yield potential
- Discover the benefits of biologicals, fungicides, and insecticides in establishing a strong stand for a successful season
- Tour of our East Tower Seed Treatment Facility
  - Jonell Myers, Seed Enhancements Lead, Beck's Hybrids

### **4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M. | PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

- Interactive session diving into how the information presented can be applied in policy and practice
- Group discussion on potential collaborations and support for agricultural innovation
- Discuss Legislation to pass or repeal
- Summary of key points from the day
- Final thoughts from Beck's representatives
- Closing comments from congressional and state staffers/legislators
  - Kala Jenkins, Government Affairs Advocate, Beck's Hybrids

### **5:30 P.M. | ADJOURN**

### **5:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. | TRANSPORTATION TO DINNER**

- 14300 Clay Terrace Blvd, Carmel, IN 46032

### **6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. | NETWORKING AND DINNER**

- Networking and discussion time over dinner
  - Congressional participants
  - Beck's Employees

### **9:00 P.M. – 9:30 P.M. | TRANSPORTATION TO HOTEL**

- Springhill Suites: 19317 Westmore Ln, Westfield, IN 46074



## Atlanta Becknology™ Days

August 22, 2024

Atlanta, IN

### 7:20 A.M. | MEET IN HOTEL LOBBY

- Load onto bus

### 7:30 A.M. – 8:00 A.M. | TRANSPORTATION TO BECK'S HYBRIDS FACILITY

- 6767 E 276<sup>TH</sup> ST. Atlanta, IN 46062

### 8:00 A.M. – 8:15 A.M. | REGISTRATION

### 8:15 A.M. – 9:00 A.M. | UAV ADVANCED APPLICATIONS

*Jim Love*

*Light Robotics Manager*

- Discover the planning process for UAV applications and their usage
- Watch a demonstration of the initial stages of robotic field operations
- See a fully autonomous lawn mower in action
- Experience the future of drones today!

### 9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. | PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Scott Beck

Corey Beck

President

Business and Supply Strategist

- State of the Agriculture Industry
- Beck's vision into 2025 and beyond
- Farm growth and operational success

### 10:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M. | BREAK AND TRANSIT TO NEXT SESSION

### 10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. | NEW TECHNOLOGIES IN AGRICULTURE

*Clayton Stufflebeam*

*Christian Jones*

*PFR Agronomist*

*PFR Technician*

- New Technologies in Agriculture
  - Short Stature Corn
  - Gene-Edited Soybeans
  - Using High-Pressure Water Jets at Planting
- Tire Pressure Effects on Emergence and Yield
  - John Deere's Central Tire Inflation System
- Improving Your Sidedress Bar with Minimal Investment
  - Depth Settings and Sealers



**11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. | LUNCH DISCUSSION: COVER CROPS AND CARBON**

Main Office Patio

*Kent Gremel*

*Special Projects Manager*

- Carbon Capture
  - Lay of the land on carbon capture in the industry
  - Learn what changes may need to be made in your operation to qualify for carbon programs
- Mitigation Techniques

Learn more about cover crops and no-till implementation

**12:30 P.M. – 1:30 P.M. | BIOLOGICALS: ARE THEY WORTH IT?**

*Ben Wiegmann*

*Chris Grimm*

*Field Agronomist*

*PFR Location Lead*

- Starter on Corn: What, When, and Where
  - 2x2x2 vs. In-Furrow
  - John Deere ExactShot™ System
- Biologicals: Are They Worth It?
  - Bio-Stimulants
  - Pivot Bio PROVEN® 40
- Starter on Soybeans
  - Products with Consistent ROI

**1:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. | BREAK AND TRANSIT TO NEXT SESSION**

**2:00 P.M. – 2:30 P.M. | CORNVERSATIONS: BRIDGING POLICY & AGRICULTURE**

*Kala Jenkins*

*Government Affairs Advocate*

- Understanding how policy affects farmers and growers from a practical perspective
- EPA regulations and how future rulemaking will affect family farms
- Better understanding the ESA and implementation of potential new chemical strategies
- Discussion on the future of sustainable agriculture

**2:30 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. | ASSEMBLE AND DEPART TO INDIANAPOLIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

**4 P.M. | ARRIVE AT INDIANAPOLIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

- Check in with airlines and proceed through security



**5:34 P.M. | DEPART INDIANAPOLIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

- Flight #1 – depart IND at 5:34PM – arrive DCA at 7:10PM
  - American Airlines, flight #2941
    - MATTHEW WININGER
    - JANEY GREEN
    - CHRISTINA LASSITER
    - ALLEN GARNES
    - KATE COVINGTON
    - TREVOR HUSTUS
- Flight #2 – depart IND at 7:39PM – arrive OMA at 11:19PM
  - American Airlines, flight #1329 and 2252
    - JAMES WRIGHT
- Flight #3 – depart IND at 7:39PM – arrive MSP at 8:40PM
  - Delta, flight #1329
    - LES ANDERSON

**7:10 P.M. | ARRIVE AT WASHINGTON RONALD REAGAN AIRPORT**

- Participants will depart to their respective homes

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Trevor J. Hustus
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: Beck's Hybrids
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Westfield, IN
4. a. Date of Departure: August 21, 2024 Date of Return: August 22, 2024
- b. Yes  No  Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?  
If yes, list dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Yes  No  Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
- (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) Yes  No  Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes  No  Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
- b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. Yes  No  *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**  
As a legislative assistant to a midwest member, this trip will help advise on new technologies and innovation in the farming industry. Further, this will help inform the debate on the Education and the Workforce Committee as to the needs of farming in the 21st Century and what workforce programs are most helpful.

9. **Yes  No  Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**

10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

### ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member:  Date: July 19, 2024

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August 19, 2024

Mr. Trevor Hustus  
Office of the Honorable Lisa C. McClain  
444 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Hustus:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Westfield, Indiana, scheduled for August 21 to 22, 2024, sponsored by Beck's Hybrids.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Michael Guest  
Chairman

Susan Wild  
Ranking Member

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