

## Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: A Stochastic Analysis of the Effects of Ethanol Demand on the U.S. Agricultural Sector  
Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB) ERR  
Agency: Economic Research Service [X] Influential Scientific Information  
USDA [ ] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment  
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Subject of Review: The review focuses on the report's methodology, which utilizes a stochastic approach to analyze the possible effects of changes in corn demand by the U.S. ethanol sector, and the effective communication of the report's findings.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [ ] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers  
[ ] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 7/01/08 End: 08/12/10 Completed: 08/12/10

Number of Reviewers: [ ] 3 or fewer [X] 4 to 10 [ ] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [ ] Designated Outside Organization  
Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? [ ] Yes [X] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [ ] Yes [X] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [ ] Yes [X] No

