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Dr. Robert Rinne
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Through: James Hartsock
Acting Area Director, Lake States Area

Dear Dr. Rinne:

As discussed by phone with Stephen Gibbons, you are invited to participate in an informal conference on the testing of infrared-reflectance instruments for measuring oil, moisture, and protein content. Details are as follows:

Date: September 16, 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and September 17, 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Place: Conference room at O'Hare International Airport Tower
Hotel, Chicago, Illinois

Format: Informal reports will be given from several research laboratories of their results in testing and using the Neotec Grain Quality Analyzer and the Dickey-john Grain Analysis Computer. The first day will be devoted to the reports and the second day to making plans for future work.

Reports are expected from the following laboratories:

Instrumentation Research Lab., Beltsville, Maryland	K. H. Norris
Illinois State Dept. of Agr. Lab., De Kalb, Illinois	E. Horn S. Podgorny
Grain Marketing Research Lab., Manhattan, Kansas	C. A. Watson
Western Wheat Quality Lab., Pullman, Washington	G. L. Rubenthaler

Soybean Research Lab.,
Urbana, Illinois

R. Rinne
S. Gibbons

Agronomy Department,
U, of Ill., Urbana, Ill.

J. W. Dudley

Grain Research Lab.,
Winnipeg, Canada

P. C. Williams

A block of rooms has been reserved at the motel in the name of De Kalb County Farm Bureau. Please contact the motel directly if you wish a room. It would be appreciated if you inform me if you reserve a room for September 16, so that I may determine the need for additional rooms.

The morning session on September 16 will be devoted to soybeans and the afternoon to wheat and other grains. I have tentatively scheduled your report for 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. It is not a requirement, but we would appreciate it if you could bring with you 20 copies of summary data for distribution to participants.

We look forward to a good session.

Sincerely,

Karl H. Norris
Chief, Instrumentation Research
Laboratory, Agricultural Marketing
Research Institute