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To: To Whom it May Concern

From: Franklin Quarcoo, Ph.D., Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL

Re: Call for Abstracts for Student Poster and Oral Competitions at the 131st Annual Farmers Conference

Preparations are underway for the 131st Farmers’ Conference at the Embassy Suites, Downtown Montgomery on March 27-29, 2023. Of special interest this year, is the students’ oral and poster competitions during the Exert program on Wednesday March 29, 2023. Please note that this competition is open to high school and college students. Presentations must cover at least one or a combination of the following: agriculture, natural resources, food, applied community work and related disciplines. First, second, and third place winners will receive monetary awards of $300, $200, and $100, respectively, as well as certificates of recognition. The three highest scoring presenters in each category (i.e., oral and poster), will receive the afore-stated awards. The competition will take place from **10:00 am to 12.00 noon on Wednesday, March 29, 2023.**

The planning committee of the Farmers’ Conference is hereby seeking your help in identifying and encouraging high school and students to participate in these competitions. Please spread the word out to have students interested in the competition to submit their abstracts. Abstracts can be submitted at [https://forms.office.com/r/DMtT9KK8gc](https://forms.office.com/r/DMtT9KK8gc) by **February 20, 2023. Students will receive notifications pertaining to the acceptance (or otherwise) of their abstracts by February 28, 2023, along with information on the registration rate. Registration is required for participation in the competitions.**

Instructions for preparing abstracts and a sample abstract are attached herewith. Please ensure that your students read and follow the attached instructions closely. Adherence to competition and abstract submission guidelines is a major factor in the scoring system and thus enhances a student’s chance of winning the competition.

We look forward to receiving abstracts from your students as soon as possible. You may email me at fquarcoo1@tuskegee.edu for further information.

Thanks.