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**United Cooperative and United Ethanol donate funds for
American Lung Association in Wisconsin's E85 promotion programs**

Nov. 25, 2009, BEAVER DAM and MILTON – United Cooperative and United Ethanol, LLC have combined efforts to financially support the American Lung Association (ALA) in Wisconsin's Clean Fuels Team which promotes E85 as a *Clean Air Choice*®.

The Clean Fuels Team program teaches drivers the clean air benefits of owning a flex fuel vehicle and filling it with E85, a fuel blend of 85 percent ethanol and only 15 percent gasoline. It also helps inform drivers as to where they can find E85 filling stations.

"United Cooperative sells E85 at four of our Cenex convenience stores: Baraboo, Beaver Dam, Poynette, and Watertown, and we're also the managing member of United Ethanol in Milton, Wis. It was only natural for us to get involved in the ALA's efforts to educate about the benefits of ethanol-based fuel," commented Dori Lichty, spokesperson for United Cooperative and United Ethanol.

"Using E85 in your flex fuel vehicle will reduce ozone-forming pollutants and particle pollution by 20 percent," said Jolene McNutt, clean fuels coordinator for the ALA in Wisconsin. "There are almost 170,000 flex fuel vehicles on Wisconsin's roads, if each used 20 gallons of E85 per month, we could see a dramatic drop in these air pollutants."

Events and programs organized by McNutt and the Clean Fuels Team include trade shows, promoting new stations and offering gift cards to flex fuel vehicle drivers who buy E85 during open houses, supporting the University of Wisconsin-Platteville Clean Snowmobile Team, installing highway signs directing flex fuel drivers to E85 filling stations, and much more. McNutt attends events in her flex fuel Chevy Impala which is easily identified by its colorful E85 graphics. "United Cooperative and United Ethanol's financial contribution will be used to pay for the Chevy Impala," commented Lichty.

Formed in 1936, United Cooperative is a full-service cooperative offering feed, grain, agronomy, and energy products and services to south-central Wisconsin farmers and consumers. United Ethanol, incorporated in 2005, is a 42 million-gallon-per-year ethanol production facility in Milton, Wis.

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Photo: Dori Lichty, left, spokesperson for United Cooperative and United Ethanol, poses with Jolene McNutt, clean fuels coordinator for the ALA in Wisconsin, as she fills her flex fuel Chevy Impala with E85 at United Cooperative's Cenex convenience store in Watertown. United Cooperative also sells E85 at their Cenex convenience stores in Beaver Dam, Poynette, and at the corner of Highways 12 and 33 in Baraboo.