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Shri Piyush Goyal
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Minister of Commerce and Industry and
Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
Government of India
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Dear Minister Piyush Goyal,

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We welcome this opportunity to extend greetings to you and the people of India from the grain producers of Montana. We are proud and confident that the high quality grains grown in Montana can positively impact the millers, bakers, brewers and consumers.

Agriculture is Montana's most important economic industry, and wheat is the primary crop grown statewide. Our semi-arid climate is ideal for producing the high quality hard red spring, hard red winter and durum wheats desired by millers and bakers worldwide, along with exceptional barley for malting, food and feed use.

We are excited to learn about the growing craft beer culture in India and feel that this is another opportunity for mutually beneficial trade between our countries. Montana farmers plant more acres of barley than any other state in the United States and the exceptional quality of our malting barley makes it an ideal ingredient for brewing and food industries.

In 2011, Montana took the lead in the pulse crop acreage and still maintains the lead. With India being the largest producer and importer of the world, we are hopeful that our products will be treated equally to other imports. Most of our members grow both grain and pulses. The Montana Grain Growers Association is supportive of increased market access, maintaining safety standards and believes that Montana will meet the highest quality of standards.

We wish you and the citizens of India good health and prosperity!

Sincerely,