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TO: Sugar Beet Research Specialists

FROM: Corey Guza, Director of Agronomy and Research, Michigan Sugar Company

RE: Potential Sugar Beet Proposals – FY26

Michigan Sugar Company will once again be offering competitive grant research money for sugarbeet researchers. Total dollars will not be determined until the harvest is completed. Maximum funding requests of \$20,000 per proposal may be granted but may not exceed more than \$30,000 per researcher for multiple and/or shared research projects. Matching funds are encouraged.

Researchers should submit their full proposals to Sara Haller via MSU's EBS KR system by March 2, 2026, at 5:00pm. For questions regarding submission, please contact Sara at [bolessar@msu](mailto:bolessar@msu). Multiple year projects are contingent upon research progress and updates should be submitted when reapplying. Proposals should be within the parameters of industry priority areas located at <http://www.canr.msu.edu/research/>. Michigan Sugar Company will coordinate and facilitate grant proposal decisions. Please feel free to reach out to Lindy Richards with any questions at [lindy.richards@michigansugar.com](mailto:lindy.richards@michigansugar.com)

Sincerely,

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