

# Day 1 Report—Breakout Group: Feedstocks

## Technology Areas of Interest to the Group:

- Looking at new feedstocks
- Addressing physical qualities and characteristics of the feedstock
- Increasing efficiencies and capabilities of existing forestry and agronomic feedstock collection

## Priority Barriers:

- Variability in feedstock quality and lack of blending processes
- Transportation of low-value biomass
- Lack of specifications for delivered feedstock
- Lignin from biological conversion – lack of cost effective technologies to produce a clean lignin by-product
- Proof of sustainability – provenance requirements and lack of an agreed upon “sustainability” definition

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## Key Reflections:

- Interest in the development of new feedstock resources
- The agreement on the importance of understanding feedstock quality
- The concerns of public perception of GMOs