From: Avant, Bob
To: Anna J Fox

Cc: Judy Young: dbaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu; bmccutchen@tamu.edu; Bill Rooney

Subject: Nomination Materials for 2009 Vice Chancellor"s Awards in Excellence for Bill Rooney

**Date:** Monday, October 26, 2009 10:28:52 AM

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## Anna,

Attached is the nomination form and a draft of the letter I prepared for David Baltensperger. Jeff Dahlberg, Richard Hamilton, and Bill McCutchen will be preparing letters of recommendation.

I will be traveling for the next three weeks and will only be checking emails periodically. Please advise me if I need to do anything else.

Bob Avant Program Director Texas AgriLife Research 979/845-2908 512/422-6171 (Cell) bavant@tamu.edu http://agbioenergy.tamu.edu

----Original Message-----

From: Judy Young [mailto:j-young@tamu.edu] Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2009 11:46 AM

To: Avant, Bob

Subject: Fwd: Call for Nominations - 2009 Vice Chancellor's Awards

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Oct. 14, 2009

TO: Bob Avant

I appreciate your willingness to assist in the preparation of a nomination packet for Bill Rooney. As discussed by phone the nomination will be for Research (on campus) award. All needed information is in the attached material. I talked with Bill Rooney and he will be visiting with you by phone since both of you are traveling. We appreciate your assistance.

Mike Chandler

## Nomination Form 2009 Vice Chancellor's Award in Excellence Program

NOMINEE (or name of team) Dr. William (Bill) Rooney
(Dr./Mrs./Ms.) (First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name)

**DEPARTMENT, CENTER, UNIT OR DISTRICT** Soil and Crop Sciences

**AWARD CATEGORIES** (Check only one)

Teaching Awards	Support Personnel Awards
Undergraduate teaching	Administrative support (on campus)
Graduate teaching	Clerical support (on campus)
Student counseling and relations	Clerical/administrative support (off campus)
Graduate student teaching	Research support (on campus)
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Research Awards	Technical/Extension support (on campus)
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Research (off campus)	
Research team	Professional Services Awards
Graduate student research (on/off campus)	Special Services
	Forester (Texas Forest Service)
<b>Extension Education and Service Awards</b>	
Agriculture and natural resource programs	Partnership Awards
Family and consumer sciences programs	System Academic Partnership
4-H & youth programs	Industry/Agency/University/Association
Specialist serving state, region, or county	
Extension team	Diversity Award
	International Involvement Award
	Administration Award
NOMINATOR Robert V. Avant, Jr., P.E.	
NOMINATOR'S MAILING ADDRESS 100C, Centeq Building, 150	O Research Parkway, College Station
NOMINATOR'S PHONE # 845-2980, 512/422-6171 (cell)	E-MAIL bavant@tamu.edu
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SUBMIT ONE (1) ELECTRONIC FILE TO <u>VCoffice@ag.t</u>	<mark>amu.edu</mark> no later than noon on Wednesday, November 4.

(NOTE: Late applications or changes in the nomination package after the deadline are not permitted. Separate attachments such as resumes, biographical information or publications should not be included and will not be considered.)

## **DRAFT FOR Dr. Baltensperger**

November 1, 2009

Vice Chancellor's Awards Committee College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Texas A&M University College Station, Texas

It is with great pleasure that I nominate Dr. William "Bill" Rooney for the 2009 Vice Chancellor's Awards in Excellence for the On-campus Research category. Bill is Professor of Plant Breeding and Genetics in the Soil and Crop Sciences Department. He received his Ph.D. at the University of Minnesota in 1992 after receiving B.S. and M.S. degrees at A&M. Bill has both teaching and research appointments.





Sincerely,

David D Baltensperger Professor and Head