Wisconsin Clean Cities Webinar
Advantages of Switching to Biodiesel
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REG enables a cleaner world through lower carbon intensity products and services.
Advanced biorefining leadership

13 Biomass-Based Diesel Plants

502 MMGY Nameplate Capacity

Multiple Feedstock Capable

- Albert Lea, MN
- Danville, IL
- Emden, Germany
- Geismar, LA
- Mason City, IA
- New Boston, TX
- Newton, IA
- Oeding, Germany
- Seneca, IL

Refined Feedstock

- Grays Harbor, WA
- Houston, TX
- Ralston, IA

Fermentation Facility

- Okeechobee, FL

Feedstock Proc. Facility

- Burlo, Germany

Partially Completed or Repairs Required

- Atlanta, GA
- Clovis, NM
- Emporia, KS
- New Orleans
Broad Marketing & Logistics Capabilities

**REG STATS:**

**20+ YEARS**
REG has been producing biodiesel since 1996.

**502 MMGY**
Over 500 million gallons per year of total biofuel production capacity.
Fueled By Convenience

REG can make it easier to manage all your fuel needs

- REG-9000 biodiesel
- REG-9000 Renewable Hydrocarbon Diesel
- #2 ULSD
- Heating oil
- Blended fuels
  - ---B2-B20 & higher
  - ---RD/B20
Biodiesel
What Is Biodiesel?

- Biodiesel is **methyl esters** made from biological oils and fats (**triglycerides**) by **transesterification**

![Transesterification reaction diagram]

- **Transesterification** is the process of swapping one alcohol (i.e. methanol) for another alcohol (i.e. glycerol)
Benefits of Biodiesel

- Blends with petrodiesel in any percentage
  - Once it is blended it does not separate back out
- Higher Cetane
  - Over 50 vs. average petrodiesel around 44
  - Smoother, more complete burn
- Higher Lubricity
  - 2% biodiesel ‘fixes’ even bad diesel
- Virtually Zero Sulfur
  - Meets ULSD limits of 15 ppm or less
- Zero Aromatics Reduces Toxicity and Burns Cleaner
- 11% Oxygen Provides Superior Lubricity and Reduces Black Smoke (Particulates)
- High Flash Point Makes it Safer
  - Non hazardous shipping (over 200 F)
Biomass-based Diesel Emissions

Note: All emissions data taken from 2006 Cummins ISM 370 on Federal Test Procedure driving cycle, as reported in Durbin, Thomas D., et al. "CARB Assessment of the Emissions from the Use of Biodiesel as a Motor Vehicle Fuel in California “Biodiesel Characterization and NOx Mitigation Study”." California Air Resources Board: Sacramento, CA (2011). Comparisons with Federal ULSD were conducted based on a linear comparison with CARB ULSD data. All biodiesel data shown is taken as an average of the means of high and low cloud point biodiesel emissions results, where available.
Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reduction

Estimated GHG Reduction from REG Biofuel Production

More than one billion gallons\(^1\) displaced since 2010

Notes: 1. Diesel gallon GHG equivalents, does not include production from Petrotec or third party gallons resold
Source: REG Analysis
Biodiesel Quality

• ASTM D6751 provides biodiesel specifications*
  • 20 tests (currently)
  • Includes both quality and performance indicators
  • No specification that restricts feedstock options
  • Represents the minimum acceptable quality

• Certificate of Analysis
  • A “C of A” should be available for every lot of biodiesel
  • Should provide a complete list of specifications and test results
  • May contain additional tests beyond ASTM D6751

*ASTM = American Society for Testing and Materials
# REG-9000 Production Specification

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What is BQ-9000?

• Voluntary quality assurance program created for the North American biodiesel industry

• **BQ-9000**: Producers & Marketers
  – Rigorous, externally-monitored quality programs
  – **Producer**: no “off spec” biodiesel leaves the plant
  – **Marketer**: no “off spec” biodiesel leaves the distribution tank

• **REG** performs additional tests on every lot (reported on C of A)
  – Mono-, di-, and triglyceride content
  – Moisture content
  – Particulate Contamination
  – Ester Content
REG-9000 Product Lineup

- Marketing biodiesel on finished fuel attributes, not feedstock sources
- Provides unprecedented options for high quality biodiesel from a single supplier
- REG-9000 specifications exceed ASTM D6751
Feedstock & Fuel Quality

• Biodiesel can be made from:
  – Vegetable oils (soy, canola/rapeseed, palm, etc.)
  – Animal fats (pork fat, beef tallow, poultry fat)
  – Used oils (used cooking oil, brown grease)

• Production skill, not feedstock, determines biodiesel quality

• Color is not a quality indicator

• Feedstock should only affect a few properties:
  – Cloud point
  – Density & viscosity
  – Cetane number

  Determined by the carbon chain distribution of the feedstock
U.S. Retailers Selling Biodiesel Blends of B10 to B20
Biodiesel Blending
Economic Considerations
Biodiesel Blending Economics

No. 2 ULSD = $1.65/gal
REG Plant Price (B99) = $2.95/gal
Less RINS Values ($1.00) = ($1.50)/gal
Net Biodiesel Price = $1.45/gal

Additional saving potential if Blenders Tax Credit is reinstated and retroactive for 2017.
B20 Fuel Efficiency

- Four published studies showed no statistically significant difference between the fuel efficiency of B0 and B20.
- The absolute difference in actual averages, without accounting for variance, showed a small improvement to a small decrease.
- Theoretical energy content of B20 is 1.3% less than petro diesel.
  - B20 performs better than theory suggests.
  - Improved combustion and better lubricity.
Five steps for successful fleet integration and vehicle use
Step One

Consider your comfort level with blending

• Do it yourself — invest in dedicated biodiesel system:
  • Dedicated biodiesel tank (>10,000 gallons).
  • Piping that allows biodiesel and #2 ULSD tanks to feed the dispenser B5-B20 blends.
  • Manages flow of correct blend to dispenser.
  • Telemetry that allows store to digitally change blend quickly.

• Buy B5-B20 blended product off the rack or direct from producer
Step Two

Confirm the quality of your biodiesel supply

- Meet ASTM D6751 standards
- Produced by a BQ-9000 accredited producer
- If purchasing fuel direct, always request a CoA
- Work with a producer that will provide technical support
Step Three

Determine your blend-level

- If you’re hesitant, start at a B2 and step up to B20 over time
- If starting in cold weather, consider starting at a lower blend
- If emission quality is a key driver, start at a higher blend
Step Four

Educate your employees

• Make sure everyone understands the product and what to expect

• Educate people about the sustainability benefits of biodiesel
Step Five

Reap the benefits

• Reduced emissions
• Increase lubricity and engine performance
• Diverse fuel line-up
• Positive impact for employees, customers and communities
Case Studies
Case Study

G&D Integrated: The Situation

FOR-HIRE CARRIER and THIRD-PARTY LOGISTICS provider

Fleet of over 400 VEHICLES travels up to 26 MILLION MILES PER YEAR

More of its customers are emphasizing ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

“Many of our customers analyze their entire supply chain for environmental impact, and some have even gone as far as incorporating sustainability into their purchasing departments.”

– Vince Buonassi
Group Manager of Transportation Programs, G&D Integrated
Case Study

G&D Integrated: The Solution

FUELING WITH BIODIESEL BLENDS for several years

THOROUGHLY TESTED biodiesel before switching

USES B20 YEAR-ROUND, including winter

Biodiesel has HELPED G&D WIN BIDS

LOWER FLEET EMISSIONS

“There’s really no sense in fighting the tide of sustainability. A lot of other truck carriers will. At G&D, we feel it is our duty to be good environmental custodians, and it makes business sense for us.”

– Vince Buonassi
Group Manager of Transportation Programs, G&D Integrated
Case Study

Harvard University: The Situation

FLEET STARTED RESEARCHING ALTERNATIVE FUELS in early 2000s

MANY OPTIONS COST-PROHIBITIVE, including natural gas

STARTED USING BIODIESEL in 2004

2004: 35,000 GALLONS, 2016: 100,000+ GALLONS

90 DIESEL VEHICLES fueled by B20 blend year-round

“When we were presented with biodiesel, it was almost the simplest sustainable solution.”

– David Harris Jr.
Director of Transit and Fleet Management, Harvard University
Case Study

Harvard University: The Solution

WHEN AGGRESSIVE SUSTAINABILITY PLAN ADOPTED IN 2014, fleet was ahead of the curve

FROM SPRING 2015 – SPRING 2016, HARVARD FLEET’S USE OF BIODIESEL REDUCED:

– Hydrocarbon and sulfur dioxide by 20%
– Carbon dioxide by 15%
– Carbon monoxide by 12%
– Particulate matter by 12%

AWARD-WINNING COMMITMENT
2016 Environmental Merit Award from EPA

“Biodiesel has really helped improve the overall efficiency and quality of the diesel fleet … We have been able to run our diesel vehicles over the 100,000-mile mark with no problem.”

– David Harris Jr.
    Director of Transit and Fleet Management, Harvard University
Case Study

Iowa DOT: The Solution

EXPERIENCED FILTER PLUGGING ISSUE at the dispenser

REG LAB ANALYZED fuel sample and filter

REG DETERMINED RARE PROBLEM with pipeline additive, not biodiesel

NO OTHER FUEL LAB had ever heard of issue

“REG has a world-class laboratory with world-class professionals working there. They’re always interested in getting to the bottom of [fuel-related questions] and their response is always timely.”

—David May
Fleet Manager, Iowa DOT
Case Study

Rochester Public Transit: The Situation

- **52-BUS MUNICIPAL FLEET**
- **1.1 MILLION** miles and **1.7 MILLION** passengers per year
- **CLEAN AIR A PRIORITY** for residents and city officials
- **BUDGET ALWAYS A PRIORITY** as a public agency

“If people were to look out their windows and see black smoke pouring out of buses, that would not be acceptable. We are very sensitive to that.”

– Tony Knaur
Rochester Transit and Parking Manager
Case Study

Rochester Public Transit: The Solution

**FUELING WITH BIODIESEL** since late 1990s

**RECENTLY SWITCHED TO B20** to reduce emissions further

**B20 17 CENTS/GALLON CHEAPER** than petro in 2016

**STRONG PERFORMANCE**, including in winter

“We haven’t experienced anything negative with biodiesel. Since switching to B20, we’ve had no engine issues. We haven’t had any issues with fuel filters. And the lubrication from biodiesel has been a good thing given the lack of lubricity in modern diesel fuel.”

— Roger Ritchie

Rochester Public Transit Manager
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