



Oregon's largest transit system makes the switch to biodiesel

(Ralston, Iowa, Nov. 7, 2006) – Oregon's largest public transit system is making the switch to biodiesel.

TriMet, the state's largest diesel consumer, announced last week that more than 600 municipal buses will utilize a B5 blend. With the announcement, TriMet also becomes the largest biodiesel user in Oregon.

Renewable Energy Group, Inc., the nation's leading marketer of B100, and Carson Oil Co. are supplying the fuel. Carson Oil Co. is one Oregon's largest petroleum distributors and a licensed SoyPOWER® brand biodiesel distributor.

"Biodiesel burns cleaner than petroleum diesel offering cleaner air for TriMet customers and the entire Portland region," said Gary Haer, Renewable Energy Group, Inc. Vice President of Sales and Marketing. "Carson Oil Co. distributes SoyPOWER biodiesel from Renewable Energy Group, Inc.'s network out to customers in Oregon and we're excited about TriMet's decision to lead the renewable fuels industry in Oregon."

The B5 blend results in the consumption of 327,000 gallons of pure biodiesel a year. TriMet is using 5 percent SoyPOWER brand biodiesel and 95 percent diesel to create the B5 blend.

TriMet utilizes ultra-low sulfur diesel (ULSD). Combined, the biodiesel and ULSD blend will reduce particulate emissions from buses up to 30 percent resulting in cleaner air for the region.

Carson Oil Co., a Portland-based petroleum distributor, is a licensed SoyPOWER biodiesel supplier and a Renewable Energy Group, Inc. customer. Carson will sell more than one million gallons of SoyPOWER brand biodiesel fuel this year. SoyPOWER brand biodiesel meets and exceeds industry ASTM 6751 standards for biodiesel quality.

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About Renewable Energy Group

Renewable Energy Group, Inc. is the biodiesel industry leader of B100 sales and is the only full-service biodiesel company offering plant management, risk management, raw material procurement, plant construction, biodiesel production and biodiesel sales and marketing services. Renewable Energy Group, Inc. markets SoyPOWER® biodiesel to customers in many industries including on-highway fleets, original equipment manufacturers, maritime, military, home heating and agriculture industries.

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