

Leading biodiesel company announces research priorities and partnerships

Renewable Energy Group[®], Inc. announces research collaborations with University of Iowa, University of Northern Iowa and Iowa State University

(April 23, 2007, Ralston, IA)— Renewable Energy Group, Inc. is committed to advancing the biodiesel industry through research and university partnerships. Today, Renewable Energy Group, Inc. announced it has partnerships with all three of Iowa’s public universities to improve biodiesel quality, increase production efficiency and develop new markets for co-products such as glycerin.

Renewable Energy Group, Inc., a full service biodiesel company which markets SoyPOWER[®] brand biodiesel, today announced a biodiesel quality research partnership with the University of Iowa. The University of Iowa joins the University of Northern Iowa and Iowa State University as Renewable Energy Group, Inc.’s university collaborators in biodiesel research.

At the University of Iowa, Renewable Energy Group, Inc. is working with the Center for Biocatalysis and Bioprocessing, a university-wide consortium which fosters world-class education and training, research, and wide-ranging technology transfer activities for private industry partners.

“Renewable Energy Group, Inc. and its network partners have several in-house labs to conduct quality testing and perform research. With the help of university researchers like those at the University of Iowa, we can rapidly advance our biodiesel technology. Producing high-quality biodiesel is a key business activity in today’s growing marketplace,” said Jeff Stroburg, Chairman and CEO of Renewable Energy Group, Inc.

“Although all SoyPOWER brand biodiesel marketed by Renewable Energy Group, Inc. meets or exceeds today’s industry specifications for biodiesel quality, end-consumers continue to demand higher standards,” Stroburg explained.

“Collaborations like the ones Renewable Energy Group, Inc. has created with Iowa State University, the University of Northern Iowa and now the University of Iowa are critical to maintaining Iowa’s leading position in the renewable fuels industry,” said Glen Meier, Research and Development Manager for Renewable Energy Group, Inc. “The researchers and initiatives at these institutions are leading this nation into energy independence and Renewable Energy Group, Inc. is proud to work with them to achieve this fundamental objective.”

About Renewable Energy Group, Inc. research collaborations

University of Iowa, Iowa City

Project overview: The new partnership allows REG’s expanding biodiesel production network to utilize the broad base of processing technology held by CBB to improve biodiesel quality.

Iowa State University, Ames

Project Overview: Renewable Energy Group, Inc. has been working with Iowa State University on several research initiatives including nanotechnology for biodiesel production.

University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls

Project Overview: Renewable Energy Group, Inc. is working with the University of Northern Iowa to research value-added uses for biodiesel production co-products such as glycerin.

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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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