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## **Community Fuels Awarded Grant by the California Air Resources Board through the Alternative Fuel Incentive Program**

*Community Fuels' commercial-scale biodiesel plant at the Port of Stockton helps meet the objectives of California Air Resources Board to incentivize the use and production of alternative fuels.*

**Encinitas, California, August 5, 2009--** Community Fuels was awarded a grant by the California Air Resources Board (ARB) through the Alternative Fuel Incentive Program. The grant funding was used to support the installation of key process equipment at Community Fuels' 10 million gallon per year biodiesel plant at the Port of Stockton. Community Fuels successfully completed the project and ARB representatives wrote: "We congratulate your staff for fulfilling the objectives outlined in the grant agreement and for the outstanding services performed at Community Fuels."

ARB developed a joint plan with the California Energy Commission to incentivize the use and production of alternative fuels within California. There are a number of recent state policy directives that call for substantial expansion of alternative fuels in order to reduce dependence on petroleum-based fuels. Community Fuels specifically meets these directives by increasing the amount of biomass-based alternative fuels produced in California.

Biodiesel, a viable alternative to petroleum diesel, is a clean diesel fuel made from renewable resources, such as vegetable oils or animal fats. It can be blended at any level with petroleum diesel and used by most diesel engines with few or no modifications. Biodiesel decreases our reliance on foreign oil, strengthens our economy, and enhances vehicle performance. Biodiesel also significantly reduces harmful emissions, including carbon dioxide, sulfates, particulate matter, and carcinogenic compounds.

"Community Fuels was honored to receive this grant through ARB and our team delivered on all objectives outlined in our grant agreement," states Lisa Mortenson, CEO of Community Fuels. "We have a proven track record of delivering results under Federal and State grants. We continue to make tangible progress towards the broader commercialization of renewable fuels," says Mortenson.

### **ABOUT COMMUNITY FUELS:**

American Biodiesel, Inc. does business as Community Fuels and is committed to quality, innovation and operational excellence in biodiesel production and biodiesel-related research. The company's state-of-the-art biodiesel production and research facility is located at the Port of Stockton, California. In addition to its commercial production, Community Fuels has multiple research projects in process to develop innovative feedstocks and transformative technologies to reduce the cost and increase the sustainability of biodiesel production. You can learn more about Community Fuels at [www.communityfuels.com](http://www.communityfuels.com).

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