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Community Fuels Receives Notice of Proposed Grant Award by the California Energy Commission

Community Fuels' project titled, "Integrated system for reducing water consumption and wastewater discharge of biodiesel production facilities in California," receives notice of proposed grant award by the California Energy Commission.

Encinitas, California, December 22, 2009-- Community Fuels received notice of a proposed grant award through the California Energy Commission, Emerging Technology Demonstration Grants Program. Community Fuels' project is titled, "Integrated system for reducing water consumption and wastewater discharge of biodiesel production facilities in California."

Developing the biodiesel production industry in California to meet anticipated levels of demand for renewable fuels raises concerns about potential increases in water consumption and wastewater discharge. Through this project, Community Fuels will demonstrate an integrated system for treating and recycling water used in the commercial-scale production of biodiesel. The proposed system is anticipated to reduce the consumption of water by 85% or more.

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.

"Quality, efficiency and sustainability are key production goals at Community Fuels. When building our plant, energy efficiency was one of the primary drivers of the design. Although a variety of systems were considered, we determined that a pure waterless system would not allow us to achieve the quality standards demanded by our customers." states Lisa Mortenson, CEO of Community Fuels. "We are delighted to have received this notice of grant award because it will support the installation of an innovative, integrated system to recycle and reuse process water. This demonstration will provide valuable information to the industry which could further enhance the sustainability benefits of biodiesel." 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.

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