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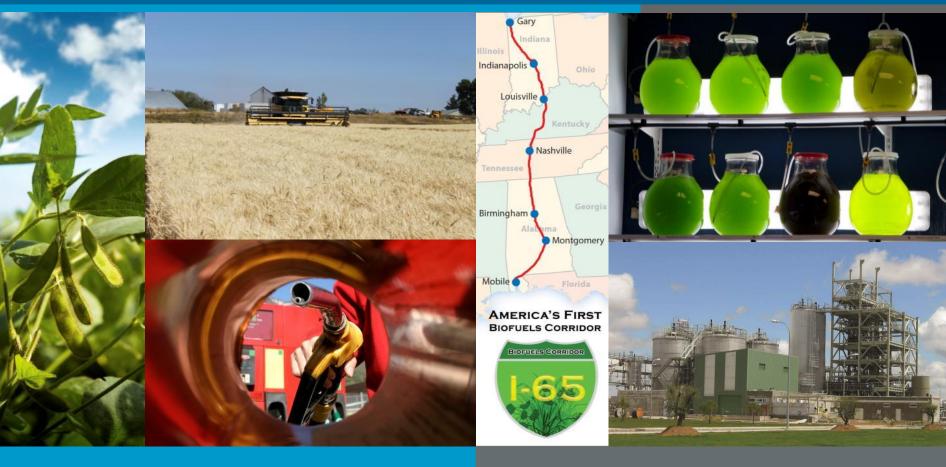
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#### **BIOENERGY TECHNOLOGIES OFFICE**





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# **Bioenergy Technologies Office**

#### Mission

Accelerate the commercialization of advanced biofuels and bioproducts through targeted research, development, and demonstration supported by public and private partnerships

# Strategic Goal

Develop technologies to enable the sustainable, nationwide production of biofuels compatible with today's transportation infrastructure

# Performance Goal

By 2017, validate a least one pathway for \$3/GGE\* hydrocarbon biofuel (with ≥50% reduction in GHG emissions relative to petroleum)

\*Mature modeled price at pilot scale.

Through RD&D, BETO reduces risks and costs to commercialization

ENERGY Renewable Energy

# The Challenge and The Opportunity

#### The Challenge

- More than 13 million barrels of petroleum based fuels are required daily for the U.S. transportation sector – 8.5 million barrels of gasoline for the motor vehicles alone.<sup>1</sup>
- 76 % of U.S. petroleum consumption is in the transportation sector (\$935 billion) <sup>2</sup>
- 16% of U.S. petroleum consumption is for chemicals and products sector (\$812 billion)<sup>2</sup>
  - Relative value is much higher for chemicals and products.

#### **The Opportunity**

- Biomass is the leading renewable resource that can provide drop-in fuel replacements utilizing existing infrastructure for light and heavy duty vehicles and air transportation<sup>1</sup>
- More than 1 billion tons of sustainable biomass could be produced in the U.S. which can provide fuel for vehicles and aviation, make chemicals, and produce power for the grid.
- 30% of U.S. petroleum usage could be displaced using terrestrial biomass by 2030<sup>3</sup>
  - This does NOT take into account algae
- High value chemicals and products from biomass can stimulate biofuels production.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Energy Information Administration, 2012 Energy Review, U.S. Department of Energy, 2013

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Bloomberg New Energy Finance, EIA, American Chemical Council

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Update to the Billion-ton Study, U.S. Department of Energy, 2011

#### **BETO's Focus Areas**

#### **Program Portfolio Management**

- Planning Systems-Level Analysis Performance Validation and Assessment
  - MYPP
     Peer Review
     Merit Review
     Quarterly Portfolio Review
    - Competitive
       Non-competitive
       Lab Capabilities Matrix

#### Research, Development, Demonstration, & Market Transformation

# Feedstock Supply & Logistics R&D

- Terrestrial
- Algae
- Product
   Logistics Preprocessing



#### **Conversion R&D**

- Biochemical
- Thermochemical
- Deconstruction
- Biointermediate
- Upgrading



# Demonstration & Market Transformation

- Integrated Biorefineries
- Biofuels
  Distribution
  Infrastructure



#### **Cross Cutting**

#### Sustainability

- Sustainability Analysis
- Sustainable System Design



#### Strategic Analysis

- Technology and Resource Assessment
- Market and Impact Analysis
- Model Development & Data compilation



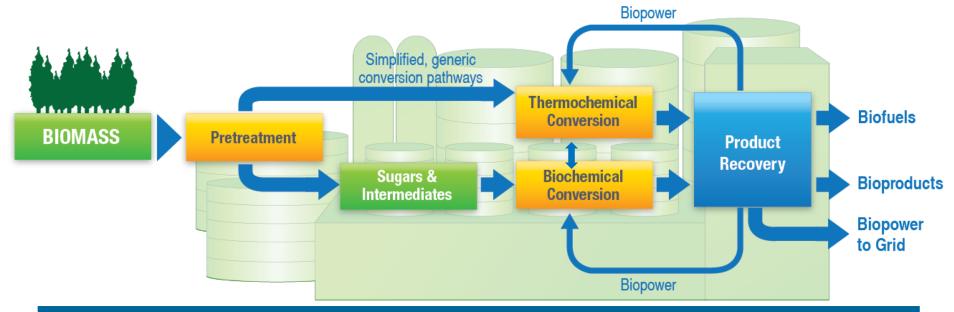
#### **Strategic Communications**

- New Communications
   Vehicles & Outlets
- Awareness and Support of Office
- Benefits of U201 Bioenergy/Bioproducts

# **Key Challenge for Innovation Involves Lowering Risks**

# De-risking technologies is central to R&D through demonstration that addresses greater integration and scale:

- BETO is focusing on advancing renewable gasoline, diesel, and jet fuels technologies.
- Technical, construction, operational and financial/market risks.



Key Challenges							
Biomass	Pretreatment	Conversion	Product				
<ul><li>Reliable supply</li><li>Consistent quality</li><li>Affordable delivery</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Biomass feeding, sizing and moisture</li> <li>Solids handling</li> <li>Construction materials</li> </ul>	<ul><li> Products Yields</li><li> Construction materials</li><li> Catalysts</li><li> Fermentation organisms</li></ul>	<ul><li>Separations</li><li>Catalytic upgrading</li><li>Recycle loops</li></ul>				

# What is the Bioeconomy?

"The biological sciences are adding value to a host of products and services, producing what some have labelled the "bioeconomy." From a broad economic perspective, the bioeconomy refers to the set of economic activities relating to the invention, development, production and use of biological products and processes."

OECD: The Bioeconomy to 2030: Designing a Policy Agenda, 2009

"A bioeconomy is one based on the use of research and innovation in the biological sciences to create economic activity and public benefit."

White House Bioeconomy Blueprint, 2012

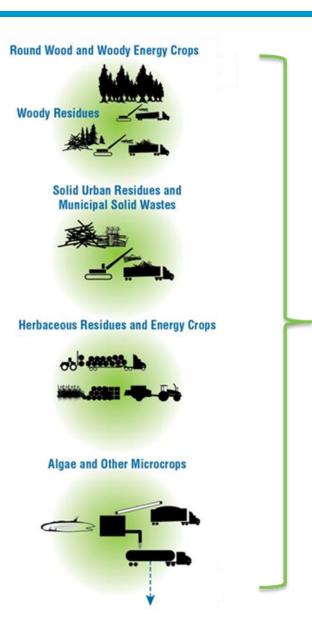
"The U.S. is a world leader in technology and agricultural prowess, which puts it in a powerful position to capitalize on the vast potential of bio-based alternatives to petrochemicals. The potential markets are huge, given the importance of petrochemicals in industrial economies."

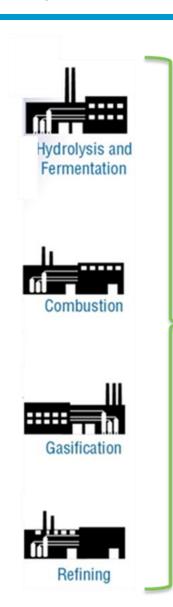
Unleashing the Power of the Bio-economy, 2013

For the purpose of this presentation, the "bioeconomy" is defined "the global industrial transition of sustainably utilizing renewable aquatic and terrestrial biomass resources in energy, intermediate, and final products for economic, environmental, social, and national security benefits."

--From 2014 Report: Why Biobased? Opportunities in the Emerging Bioeconomy: Why BioPreferred

# The Bioeconomy Concept









- Revenue and economic growth
- Broad spectrum of new jobs
- Rural development
- Advanced technologies and manufacturing
- Reduced emissions and Environmental Sustainability
- Export potential of technology and products
- Positive societal changes
- Investments and new infrastructure



# The Baseline Bioeconomy

#### **Biofuels**

- Ethanol based, transitioning to drop-in
- Policy driven

#### **Biopower**

- Mostly wood wastes and wood
- Historically industrial heat, steam, and electricity

#### **Bioproducts**

 Initially starch-based, transitioning to cellulosic

<b>Bioeconomy Parameter</b>	Current		
Biomass Utilization	200 million dry matter tons		
Biopower Production (EIA)	30 billion kWh		
Biofuels Production	15 billion gallons		
<b>Bioproducts Production</b>	2.5 billion pounds		
Direct Revenue	\$40 billion		
Total (Direct + Indirect) Revenue	\$100 billion		
Direct Jobs	150,000		
Total (Direct + Indirect) Jobs	480,000		
Estimated CO <sub>2</sub> e Reduction	35 million tons		

Full information and sources available:

http://www1.eere.energy.gov/bioenergy/pdfs/mypp\_may\_2013.pdf;
http://www.eia.gov/forecasts/aeo/er/index.cfm; http://www.eia.gov/forecasts/aeo/er/index.cfm; http://www.eia.gov/forecasts/aeo/er/index.cfm; http://www.eia.gov/publications/err-economic-research-report/err159.aspx#.UugtsRAo5pg; http://www.bio.gr/sites/default/files/EconomicImpactAdvancedBiofuels.pdf; http://www.bio.gr/sites/default/files/EconomicImpactAdvancedBiofuels.pdf; http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/err-economic-research-report/err159.aspx#.UugtsRAo5pg; http://www.bio.gov/green/biofuels/biofuels.pdf].; http://www.eia.gov/forecasts/aeo/er/index.cfm

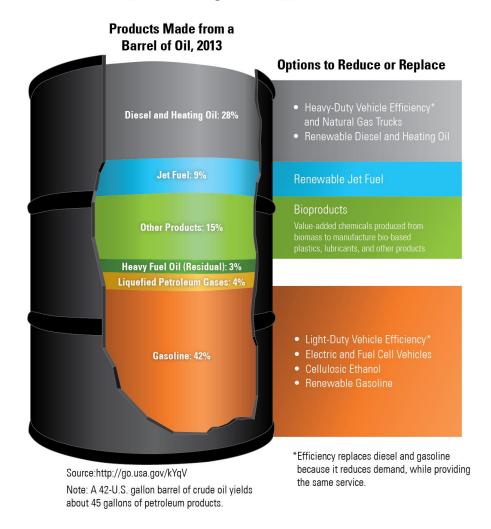


# Replacing the Whole Barrel

# Greater focus is needed on RD&D for a range of technologies to displace the entire barrel of petroleum crude.

- U.S. spends about \$1 Billion each day on crude oil imports.\*
- Only about 40% of a barrel of crude oil is used to produce petroleum gasoline.
- Cellulosic ethanol can only displace the portion of the barrel that is made into gasoline.
- Reducing our dependence on oil also requires replacing diesel, jet fuel, heavy distillates, and a range of other chemicals and products that are currently derived from crude oil.

#### **Reducing and Replacing Petroleum Use**



A 42-gallon (U.S.) barrel of crude oil yields about 45 gallons of petroleum products.

<sup>\*</sup>American Petroleum Institute

# Oil products in the US: Opportunity for Bioproducts in the Bioeconomy

- The US produces 15% of global chemicals and chemicals comprise 12% of all US exports.
- The US produces: ehthylene, propylene, polyethylene, butadiene, butanol, polystyrene, EO, MEG
- These chemicals are converted to: plastics, cosmetics, pharmaceuticals, detergents, packaging, clothing, car parts

Bioproducts provide much higher value-added margins, relative to transportation fuels.

Fuel makes up 76% Chemicals make up of the volume of US 16% of the volume oil products and is of US oil products worth \$935bn and is worth \$812bn Rail Air Plastic/ Trans-Rubber port Truck Other **Transport** Other Transportation Chemical Motor **Products** vehicles

Energy Efficiency &

Renewable Energy

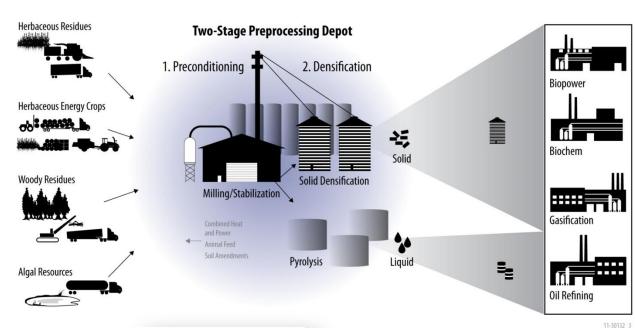
Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance, EIA, American Chemical Council

# **Advanced Supply System Design**

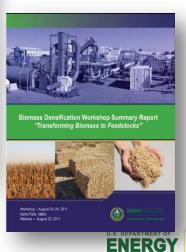
Objective: Transform raw Biomass into high-density, stable, commodity feedstocks:

- Actively manage feedstock variability and supply uncertainty
- Feedstock specifications and conversion performance drive logistics and preprocessing
- Advanced preprocessing accesses low-grade and diffuse resources (i.e., use any and all available resources)

Approach: Advanced preprocessing and formulation of multiple raw biomass resources into least cost/performancebased feedstocks







Renewable Energy

# **Biorefinery Scale >800Ktons/year**

#### **Commodity Vision for Infrastructure Compatibility**

#### **Commodity Attributes**

Standardized material formats are compatible with existing solid and liquid supply handling systems and infrastructures

Feedstock quality is assured through national and international standards

National market systems secure supply and demand in a sustainable way

Biomass feedstocks futures contracts are tradable on commodity exchanges.

Infrastructure Boundaries (Solid System Example)

#### **Production to Preprocessing Depot**

(5 to 20-mile radius)
Field trucks

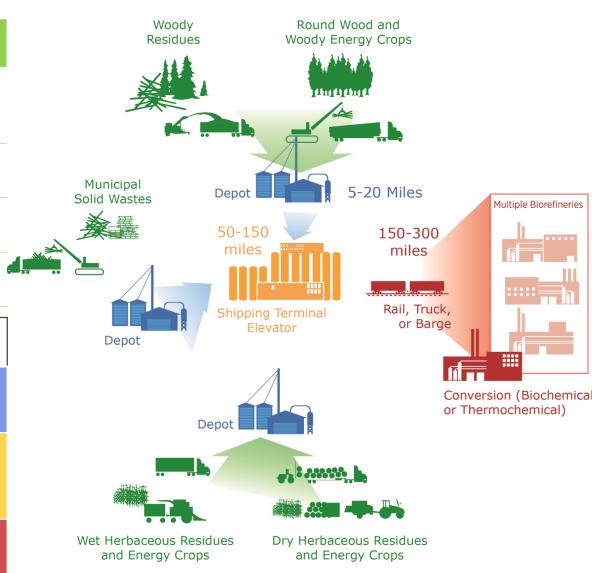
#### **Preprocessing Depot to Terminal**

(50 to 150-mile radius)
Interstate trucks, short line railroad, internal waterway transport systems

#### **Terminal to Biorefineries**

(150 to 300+-mile radius)

Trans/intercontinental shipping systems (e.g., unit trains, 13 | Bioenergy Jeelan baiges, fland freightliners)





#### **Demonstration Portfolio – Overview**

# **Map of Active and Completed BETO-funded Projects**

- ☐ The Demonstration &

  Market Transformation

  (DMT) Program manages a

  diverse portfolio of

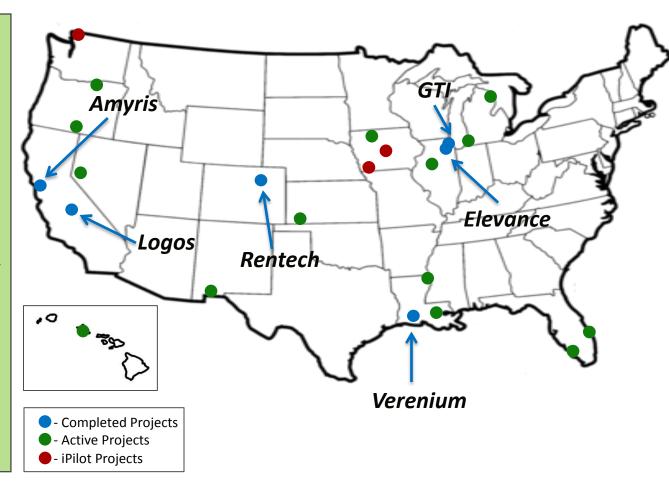
  projects focused on the

  scale-up of advanced

  biofuel production

  technologies from pilot- to

  demonstration- to pioneerscale.
- ☐ Currently, 18 biorefineries are considered active and utilize a broad spectrum of feedstocks and conversion techniques.



#### For more information visit:

www.energy.gov/eere/bioenergy/integrated-biorefineries



# **Major Commercial-scale Cellulosic Ethanol Projects**

### **POET-DSM's Project LIBERTY**

- Grand opening on September 3, 2014, in Emmetsburg, lowa.
- Once operating at full, commercial-scale, the plant will produce 25 million gallons of cellulosic ethanol per year – enough to avoid approximately 210,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions annually.
- Developed with the support of approximately \$100 million in investments and research from DOE.

## **Abengoa Bioenergy Biomass of Kansas**

- Grand opening on October 17, 2014, in Hugoton, Kansas.
- The plant will produce cellulosic ethanol from non-edible corn stalks, stems, and leaves harvested within a 50-mile radius of the plant.





# **Defense Production Act (DPA) Initiative**

In 2011, DOE, USDA, and the Navy signed an MOU for \$510 M to build commercial-scale biorefineries to produce:

- Cost-competitive (w/o subsidies)
- Drop-in fuels for military applications
- From non-food biomass feedstocks

In September 2014, 3 projects were selected:

Company	Location	Feedstock	Capacity	Groundbreaking	Off-Take Agreements
E EMERALD BIOFUELS	Gulf Coast	Fats and Greases	82.0 MM g/y	ТВА	TBA
Fulcrum	McCarran, NV	MSW	10.0 MM g/y	Spring/Summer of 2015	CATHAY PACIFIC
Red Rock Biofuels	Lakeview, OR	Woody Biomass	12.0 MM g/y	ТВА	SOUTHWEST



# **Bioenergy Technologies Office Incubator Selections**

Today, DOE is announcing up to \$10 million for seven projects to support innovative technologies that are not represented in a significant way in the Bioenergy Technology Office's current project portfolio.

- Metabolix, Inc. of Cambridge, MA, will receive up to \$2 million to develop a non-genetically modified, non-food feedstock, Camelina sativa, to maximize oil yields per acre.
- The Pacific Northwest National Laboratory of Richland, WA, will receive up to \$900,000 to develop a process to allow microalgae production directly from CO2 in air at high productivities.
- The Ohio State University of Columbus, OH, will receive up to \$1.2 million to develop a
  process cellulosic butanol production process through novel metabolic engineering of two
  different pathways.
- The University of California Riverside of Riverside, CA, will receive up to \$1 million to further develop a co-solvent pretreatment to high yields of clean fuel precursor fractions.
- **OPX Biotechnologies** of Boulder, CO, will receive up to \$2 million to develop the production of cost-competitive C8 fatty acid derivatives from cellulosic sugars via novel metabolic engineering pathways.
- Kiverdi, Inc. of Berkeley, CA, will receive up to \$2 million to further develop process methods and genetic tools for the production of hydrocarbons in thermophilic bacteria that directly utilizes biomass-derived syngas.
- Gas Technology Institute of Des Plaines, IL, will receive up to \$1.4 million to develop a
  process to catalytically convert biomass plus methane into very high yields of hydrocarbon
  liquid fuels and chemicals.

# **FY15 Funding Opportunities and Awards**

### **Upcoming Award Announcements**

- Targeted Algal Biofuels and Bioproducts FOA
  - The FOA seeks to reduce the cost of algal biofuels from \$7 per gallon the current projected state of technology for 2019 – to less than \$5 per gallon algal biofuel by 2019.
  - STATUS: Awards anticipated June 2015
- Landscape Design for Sustainable Bioenergy Systems FOA
  - DOE announced up to \$14 million to support landscape design approaches that enhance the environmental and socio-economic sustainability of cellulosic bioenergy through the improvement of feedstock production and logistics systems.
  - STATUS: Awards anticipated April 2015

## **Potential Funding Opportunities**

- USDA/DOE Biomass Research and Development Initiation (BRDI)
- Manufacturing Biofuels at Increasing Scale
- Fuel Testing and Engine Development for High Octane Fuels
- 2015 BETO Incubator



# **FY 2016 Priority Activities**

- Algae: Pursue new research in advanced biology and carbon dioxide utilization to address yield, productivity, and integration of downstream logistics at the pre-pilot scale.
- **Conversion:** Select and complete preparation of at least two pathways for validation at integrated bench or pilot scale in FY 2017 of modeled mature \$3/gge gasoline/diesel blendstock price and progress toward FY 2022 price goals (\$3/gge).
- Feedstock Supply: Focus on feedstock supply and logistics technologies to help meet biomass feedstock price targets of \$80/Dry Matter Ton in 2017.
- New Fuels and Vehicle Systems Optima: Establishes a link early in the R&D cycle of both fuels and engines for a systems-based approach and to create optimized solutions for fuels and engines. Collaboration with Vehicles Technologies.
- New Investments in the Integrated Production and Scale-Up of Drop-in Hydrocarbon Fuels: New competitive awards (up to three pilot projects or one demonstration project) to scale-up integrated production systems of drop-in hydrocarbon biofuels to accelerate advanced biofuel manufacturing.
- **DPA:** Support the military-specification jet fuel in collaboration with DOD and USDA through the Defense Production Act.

# **Upcoming Events**

# **2015 Peer Review**

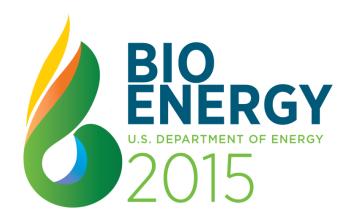
- March 23-27, 2015 at the Hilton Mark Center in Alexandria, VA.
- A combined 1-week simultaneous biennial review of BETO funded projects.

http://www.energy.gov/eere/bioenergy/2015-project-peer-review

# 2015 PROJECT JEW U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY BIOENERGY TECHNOLOGIES OFFICE

# **Bioenergy 2015**

- Planned for June 23-24, 2015 returning to the Washington Convention Center.
- Bioenergy 2015 will convene key representatives from across the bioenergy supply chain, including industry, federal agencies, and Congress.
- Focus on what is needed to sustain the growth and success of the advanced bioenergy industry now, and into the future.



# **Appendix**