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DOE Announces Funding For Biorefineries

\$200 Million Available To Advance Bush's 'Twenty In Ten'

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Secretary Samuel W. Bodman this week announced that DOE will provide up to \$200 million, over five years to support the development of small-scale cellulosic biorefineries in the United States. This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) seeks projects to develop biorefineries at ten percent of commercial scale that produce liquid transportation fuels such as ethanol, as well as bio-based chemicals and bioproducts used in industrial applications. This research aims to advance President Bush's goal of making cellulosic ethanol cost-competitive with gasoline by 2012, and assist in reducing America's gasoline consumption by 20 percent in ten years by expanding the availability of alternative and renewable transportation fuels.

"This research will provide the next necessary step toward developing cellulosic biorefineries that can transform our transportation sector in a clean and cost-effective manner," Secretary Bodman said. "As world demand for energy continues to grow, so too must our supply of clean, domestic sources of energy – and cellulosic biofuels provide a promising way to meet President Bush's goal of displacing twenty percent of gasoline usage within the decade."

Bodman's announcement advances DOE's long-term strategy to reduce dependence on imported oil by encouraging development of clean, domestic and renewable sources of energy, including biofuels. This strategy includes small-scale re-

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Aspen Joins Chrysler Group Hybrid Lineup

That new Chrysler Aspen Hybrid gotta HEMI®? Yes, it does – as does the new Dodge Durango Hybrid. Both vehicles, powered by Chrysler Group's all-new 5.7-liter HEMI Hybrid powertrain, debut next year as the first volume-production hybrid offerings from the Chrysler Group and the first vehicles to feature DaimlerChrysler's advanced two-mode hybrid technology.

"The all-new Chrysler Group HEMI Hybrid will offer our customers the best of both worlds: renowned performance and significantly improved fuel economy," said Frank Klegon, Executive Vice President – Product Development, Chrysler Group. "With the new HEMI-powered Chrysler Aspen Hybrid, we are delivering the ultimate combination of fuel efficiency, overall performance and capability in a premium full-size SUV."

The new 5.7-liter HEMI Hybrid is expected to deliver an overall fuel economy improvement of more than 25 percent, including an improvement of nearly 40 percent in the city.

The HEMI powerplant, in hybrid form, will continue to feature Chrysler Group's Multi-displacement System (MDS), which allows the engine to seamlessly alternate between four-cylinder mode when less power is needed and V-8 mode when more power is in demand. For the fifth year in a row — and every year since its 2003 re-introduction — Chrysler Group's famous 5.7-liter HEMI engine has



Gulf Ethanol Corp. said it plans to build a 30-million-gallon-per-year ethanol facility near the Port of Houston. Gulf Ethanol said it continues to assess the general layout of the site to assure access, tank spacing and feedstock storage.

AFI's Biodiesel Index

Location	B100	B20	B2	#2 Diesel	Location	B100	B20	B2	#2 Diesel
Albany, NY	\$3.0020	\$2.2658	\$2.1002	\$2.0818	Manchester, NH	\$2.8138	\$2.2370	\$2.1072	\$2.0928
Albuquerque, NM	\$3.3550	\$2.4973	\$2.3043	\$2.2829	Miami, FL	\$3.3200	\$2.3206	\$2.0957	\$2.0707
Atlanta, GA	\$3.3200	\$2.3082	\$2.0805	\$2.0552	Minneapolis, MN	\$3.3620	\$2.4381	\$2.2302	\$2.2071
Baltimore, MD	\$3.4225	\$2.3643	\$2.1263	\$2.0998	Nashville, TN	\$3.3680	\$2.3608	\$2.1342	\$2.1090
Billings, MT	\$3.4150	\$2.6179	\$2.4385	\$2.4186	New Orleans, LA	\$3.2200	\$2.2774	\$2.0653	\$2.0417
Birmingham, AL	\$3.2700	\$2.2956	\$2.0764	\$2.0520	Newark/NYC, NJ	\$3.1068	\$2.2733	\$2.0857	\$2.0649
Boise, ID	\$3.4350	\$2.5768	\$2.3837	\$2.3622	Oklahoma City, OK	\$3.2700	\$2.3850	\$2.1858	\$2.1637
Boston, MA	\$3.0071	\$2.2746	\$2.1098	\$2.0915	Omaha, NE	\$3.4200	\$2.4370	\$2.2158	\$2.1912
Burlington, VT	\$3.3200	\$2.3653	\$2.1505	\$2.1266	Philadelphia, PA	\$3.2947	\$2.3073	\$2.0852	\$2.0605
Charleston, WV	\$3.4331	\$2.3645	\$2.1241	\$2.0974	Phoenix, AZ	\$3.2600	\$2.4073	\$2.2154	\$2.1941
Cheyenne, WY	\$3.3350	\$2.6913	\$2.5465	\$2.5304	Pittsburgh, PA	\$3.3713	\$2.3294	\$2.0949	\$2.0689
Chicago, IL	\$3.2518	\$2.3314	\$2.1243	\$2.1013	Portland, ME	\$3.0108	\$2.2886	\$2.1261	\$2.1080
Columbia, SC	\$3.4185	\$2.3350	\$2.0912	\$2.0641	Portland, OR	\$3.2950	\$2.3650	\$2.1558	\$2.1325
Columbus, OH	\$3.3410	\$2.3363	\$2.1102	\$2.0851	Raleigh, NC	\$3.4265	\$2.3315	\$2.0851	\$2.0577
Dallas, TX	\$3.2700	\$2.3503	\$2.1434	\$2.1204	Richmond, VA	\$3.4225	\$2.3520	\$2.1112	\$2.0844
Denver, CO	\$3.3200	\$2.6563	\$2.5070	\$2.4904	Salt Lake City, UT	\$3.3033	\$2.6130	\$2.4577	\$2.4404
Des Moines, IA	\$3.3765	\$2.4259	\$2.2120	\$2.1882	San Francisco, CA	\$3.1550	\$2.3343	\$2.1496	\$2.1291
Detroit, MI	\$3.3612	\$2.3601	\$2.1348	\$2.1098	Seattle, WA	\$3.2750	\$2.3530	\$2.1456	\$2.1225
Dover, DE	\$3.1943	\$2.2935	\$2.0908	\$2.0683	Sioux Falls, SD	\$3.3800	\$2.4433	\$2.2325	\$2.2091
Honolulu, HI	\$2.7200				St. Louis, MO	\$3.2700	\$2.3365	\$2.1264	\$2.1031
Houston, TX	\$3.2700	\$2.3209	\$2.1073	\$2.0836	Wichita, KS	\$3.4639	\$2.4334	\$2.2016	\$2.1758
Indianapolis, IN	\$3.3139	\$2.3433	\$2.1249	\$2.1006	U.S. Average:	\$3.2768	\$2.3776	\$2.1728	\$2.1501
Jackson, MS	\$3.2700	\$2.3106	\$2.0947	\$2.0707					
Jacksonville, FL	\$3.3200	\$2.3337	\$2.1118	\$2.0871					
Kansas City, MO	\$3.2700	\$2.3942	\$2.1972	\$2.1753	Halifax, NS*	\$1.8272	\$2.0316	\$2.0776	\$2.0827
Las Vegas, NV	\$3.2967	\$2.5045	\$2.3263	\$2.3065	Montreal, QC	\$2.6352	\$2.2104	\$2.1148	\$2.1042
Little Rock, AR	\$3.2200	\$2.2945	\$2.0862	\$2.0631	Toronto, ON	\$3.3000	\$2.3726	\$2.1639	\$2.1407
Los Angeles, CA	\$3.1550	\$2.3424	\$2.1596	\$2.1393	Canada Average:	\$2.9676	\$2.2915	\$2.1394	\$2.1225
Louisville, KY	\$3.3369	\$2.3385	\$2.1139	\$2.0889					
Madison, WI	\$3.2895	\$2.3654	\$2.1575	\$2.1344					

Average Producer Price Less Transportation and Handling: **\$3.1085**

Prices do not include taxes and may be net of certain subsidies. Blended prices may be higher due to additional transportation and blending. Prices are in U.S. dollars per gallon derived from sources deemed reliable. B100 price for ASTM-spec fuel except as noted by *.



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NBB Goes Before Congress

Members of Congress called on the National Biodiesel Board (NBB) today to hear about how the government's investment in biodiesel has returned exponential benefits to America. NBB Chief Executive Officer Joe Jobe testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Small Business in a hearing entitled "The Impact of Renewable Energy Production in Rural America." In addition, Jobe highlighted results of a new survey that confirms America's approval of government investment in cleaner burning biodiesel.

"If you take one thing away from my testimony today, I hope it is that biodiesel delivers," Jobe said. "The biodiesel tax credit is a shining star in the universe of public policy."

The federal biodiesel tax credit passed in 2004. Jobe told committee members that everything the biodiesel industry said the biodiesel tax incentive would accomplish is happening. That includes new fuel refining capacity for the country, job creation, increased farm prices and economic development. "It has stimulated this industry in every way we imagined," Jobe said of the credit. He noted that the industry produced 25 million gallons in 2004. Production has grown by a factor of 10, to about 250 million gallons in 2006.

Today, there are 105 plants capable of producing 864 million gallons of biodiesel, four times the number of plants before the incentive took effect. Economic analysis shows that biodiesel production will create at least 40,000 new jobs and will add \$24 billion to the U.S. economy. The average price received by soybean farmers has risen by \$.42 a bushel since the incentive took effect. This has also helped to minimize farm program payments, saving taxpayer money. In his testimony, Jobe also said that the additional tax revenues from biodiesel production will more than pay for the federal tax incentives, generating twice the revenue that the program costs.

"This tax credit is set to expire in 2008, and it is vital to our young industry that it be extended or made permanent," Jobe said during his testimony. "We want to see its benefits continue to multiply, and I

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AFI's Electricity Index

State	KW/hr	GGE	State	KW/hr	GGE	State	KW/hr	GGE	State	KW/hr	GGE
AK	\$0.1155	\$3.87	ID	\$0.0472	\$1.58	MT	\$0.0760	\$2.55	RI	\$0.1266	\$4.24
AL	\$0.0814	\$2.73	IL	\$0.0819	\$2.75	NC	\$0.0705	\$2.36	SC	\$0.0758	\$2.54
AR	\$0.0686	\$2.30	IN	\$0.0665	\$2.23	ND	\$0.0589	\$1.97	SD	\$0.0603	\$2.02
AZ	\$0.0730	\$2.45	KS	\$0.0639	\$2.14	NE	\$0.0574	\$1.92	TN	\$0.0786	\$2.64
CA	\$0.1146	\$3.84	KY	\$0.0628	\$2.11	NH	\$0.1354	\$4.54	TX	\$0.0952	\$3.19
CO	\$0.0763	\$2.56	LA	\$0.0900	\$3.02	NJ	\$0.1114	\$3.74	UT	\$0.0588	\$1.97
CT	\$0.1589	\$5.33	MA	\$0.1579	\$5.29	NM	\$0.0720	\$2.41	VA	\$0.0607	\$2.04
DC	\$0.1109	\$3.72	MD	\$0.1148	\$3.85	NV	\$0.1011	\$3.39	VT	\$0.1210	\$4.06
DE	\$0.1109	\$3.72	ME	\$0.1341	\$4.50	NY	\$0.1436	\$4.81	WA	\$0.0669	\$2.24
FL	\$0.0947	\$3.18	MI	\$0.0870	\$2.92	OH	\$0.0837	\$2.81	WI	\$0.0841	\$2.82
GA	\$0.0774	\$2.60	MN	\$0.0689	\$2.31	OK	\$0.0653	\$2.19	WV	\$0.0555	\$1.86
HI	\$0.1975	\$6.62	MO	\$0.0547	\$1.83	OR	\$0.0704	\$2.36	WY	\$0.0588	\$1.97
IA	\$0.0684	\$2.29	MS	\$0.0853	\$2.86	PA	\$0.0899	\$3.01			

Prices are per-kilowatt/hour commercial averages and do not include taxes, rebates, or subsidies. GGE = Gasoline Gallon Equivalent based on 3,400 BTUs per kilowatt hour. Prices derived from EIA and sources deemed correct. * Reflects residential average.

AFI's Propane Index

Location	Propane	GGE	UNL 87	Location	Propane	GGE	UNL 87
Albany, NY	\$1.2599	\$1.7135	\$2.3124	Las Vegas, NV	\$1.1850	\$1.6116	\$2.8429
Albuquerque, NM			\$2.6142	Little Rock, AR	\$1.2446	\$1.6927	\$2.3292
Atlanta, GA	\$1.1895	\$1.6177	\$2.3871	Los Angeles, CA	\$1.1242	\$1.5289	\$2.8625
Billings, MT	\$1.0313	\$1.4026	\$2.5375	Madison, WI	\$1.2131	\$1.6498	\$2.5201
Birmingham, AL	\$1.1853	\$1.6120	\$2.3140	Mnpls/St. Paul, MN	\$1.2047	\$1.6384	\$2.4776
Charleston, WV	\$1.2450	\$1.6932	\$2.3444	Newark / NYC	\$1.2375	\$1.6830	\$2.3999
Chattanooga, TN	\$1.2195	\$1.6585	\$2.2968	Norfolk, VA	\$1.2342	\$1.6785	\$2.2920
Chicago, IL	\$1.1642	\$1.5833	\$2.7220	Oklahoma City, OK	\$1.1525	\$1.5674	\$2.4629
Columbia, SC	\$1.1942	\$1.6241	\$2.2985	Omaha, NE	\$1.1734	\$1.5958	\$2.4972
Columbus, OH	\$1.2490	\$1.6986	\$2.5418	Philadelphia, PA	\$1.2564	\$1.7087	\$2.4277
Dallas, TX	\$1.2156	\$1.6532	\$2.3508	Pittsburgh, PA	\$1.2464	\$1.6951	\$2.3373
Denver, CO	\$1.1650	\$1.5844	\$2.5563	Portland, OR	\$1.2400	\$1.6864	\$2.7207
Des Moines, IA	\$1.1869	\$1.6142	\$2.4920	Raleigh, NC	\$1.2002	\$1.6323	\$2.3202
Detroit, MI	\$1.2100	\$1.6456	\$2.5502	Salt Lake City, UT	\$1.1550	\$1.5708	\$2.5435
Fargo, ND	\$1.1654	\$1.5849	\$2.5107	San Francisco, CA	\$1.1450	\$1.5572	\$2.7582
Green Bay, WI	\$1.2320	\$1.6755	\$2.5352	Seattle, WA	\$1.1563	\$1.5726	\$2.7038
Houston, TX	\$1.1856	\$1.6124	\$2.3614	Sioux Falls, SD	\$1.1911	\$1.6199	\$2.4907
Indianapolis, IN	\$1.2525	\$1.7034	\$2.5460	St. Louis, MO	\$1.1675	\$1.5878	\$2.7262
Jackson, MI	\$1.2100	\$1.6456	\$2.5502	Wichita, KS	\$1.1100	\$1.5096	\$2.4532
Kansas City, MO	\$1.1736	\$1.5961					

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search projects to inform long-term development of full-scale facilities.

Small-scale projects will use novel approaches and a variety of cellulosic feedstocks to test new refining processes. These projects complement DOE's announcement earlier this year, which makes available up to \$385 million over four years for the development of six full-scale biorefineries. The full-scale biorefineries focus on near-term commercial processes, while the small-scale facilities will experiment with new feedstocks and processing technologies. Combined, these small- and full-scale projects will receive up to \$585 million in federal investment.

The FOA will support demonstration projects that test key refining processes and provide operational data needed to lower the technical hurdles sometimes associated with financing a full-size commercial plant. These projects are expected to be operational within three to four years and will speed the adoption of new technologies to produce ethanol and other biofuels from cellulosic feedstocks. Commercial-scale demonstrations would follow thereafter.

DOE requests applicants to design, construct and operate an integrated biorefinery demonstration facility, employing lignocellulosic feedstocks for the production of some combination of liquid transportation fuel(s), biobased chemicals, and substitutes for petroleum-based feedstocks and products. DOE seeks projects that can rapidly move to commercial-scale, supported by a sound business strategy and; encourages applications that demonstrate breakthrough technologies and collaboration between industry, universities, and DOE's national laboratories.

Up to \$15 million is expected to be available in FY'07, with the remaining \$185 million expected to be available in FY'08-'11, subject to appropriation from Congress. DOE anticipates selecting 5-10 awards under this announcement. These projects require a minimum of 50 percent cost share from applicants.

AFI's Methanol

**U.S. Gulf Coast
Spot Barge
Price:**

**\$1.0100
Per Gallon**

GGE = \$2.0301

AFI's Ethanol Index

Location	E100	GGE	UNL 87	E85	E10
Aberdeen, SD	\$2.4022	\$3.6033	\$2.5037	\$2.4174	\$2.4936
Alexandria, MN	\$2.4541	\$3.6812	\$2.4981	\$2.4607	\$2.4937
Bettendorf, IA	\$2.2207	\$3.3311	\$2.5021	\$2.2629	\$2.4740
Chicago, IL	\$2.2467	\$3.3701	\$2.7220	\$2.3180	\$2.6745
Coffeyville, KS	\$2.4900	\$3.7350	\$2.4449	\$2.4832	\$2.4494
Columbus, OH	\$2.4900	\$3.7350	\$2.5418	\$2.4978	\$2.5366
Denver, CO	\$2.6019	\$3.9029	\$2.5401	\$2.5926	\$2.5463
Des Moines, IA	\$2.4065	\$3.6098	\$2.4920	\$2.4193	\$2.4835
Doniphan, NE	\$2.4280	\$3.6420	\$2.4822	\$2.4361	\$2.4768
Duluth, MN	\$2.3750	\$3.5625	\$2.4999	\$2.3937	\$2.4874
Evansville, IN	\$2.5500	\$3.8250	\$2.3546	\$2.5207	\$2.3741
Fargo, ND	\$2.4010	\$3.6015	\$2.5169	\$2.4184	\$2.5053
Fort Madison, IA	\$2.4451	\$3.6677	\$2.4996	\$2.4533	\$2.4942
Glendive, MT	\$2.4200	\$3.6300	\$2.4330	\$2.4220	\$2.4317
Indianapolis, IN	\$2.3800	\$3.5700	\$2.5460	\$2.4049	\$2.5294
Kansas City, MO	\$2.4899	\$3.7349	\$2.4710	\$2.4944	\$2.5171
Madison, WI	\$2.4102	\$3.6153	\$2.5201	\$2.4246	\$2.4963
Mandan, ND	\$2.3800	\$3.5700	\$2.5059	\$2.3991	\$2.4948
Milwaukee, WI	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$2.5076	\$0.3716	\$2.2298
Mnpls/St Paul, MN	\$2.3604	\$3.5406	\$2.4776	\$2.3801	\$2.4786
Minot, ND	\$2.3813	\$3.5720	\$2.4917	\$2.0241	\$0.2381
North Platte, NE	\$2.4581	\$3.6872	\$2.4868	\$2.4640	\$2.4933
Omaha, NE	\$2.4018	\$3.6027	\$2.4972	\$2.4403	\$2.6327
Pasco, WA	\$2.6000	\$3.9000	\$2.6584	\$2.5904	\$2.5421
Peoria, IL	\$2.3724	\$3.5586	\$2.5357	\$2.3882	\$2.4674
Phillipsburg, KS	\$2.4900	\$3.7350	\$2.4779	\$2.1165	\$0.2490
Portland, OR	\$2.8000	\$4.2000	\$2.7207	\$2.7528	\$2.5166
Rapid City, SD	\$2.5000	\$3.7500	\$2.4851	\$2.4975	\$2.4849
Sheridan, WY	\$2.5000	\$3.7500	\$2.4832	\$2.4986	\$2.4916
Sioux Falls, SD	\$2.5204	\$3.7806	\$2.4907	\$2.5311	\$2.5843
Spokane, WA	\$2.6000	\$3.9000	\$2.5914	\$2.5907	\$2.5444
Springfield, IL	\$2.4700	\$3.7050	\$2.5382	\$2.5084	\$2.7006
St. Louis, MO	\$2.5145	\$3.7718	\$2.7262	\$2.1373	\$0.2515
Topeka, KS	\$2.5432	\$3.8148	\$2.4689	\$2.5297	\$2.4622
Wichita, KS	\$2.4426	\$3.6639	\$2.4532	\$2.4469	\$2.4682

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hope you do, too." Jobe urged the Members to sign on to HR 196, introduced by Representatives Earl Pomeroy (D-ND) and Kenny Hulshof (R-MO), to make the excise tax credit for biodiesel permanent.

But amidst all of the positive news and investment, there is a potential threat that could undermine the economic and energy security benefits from a growing biodiesel industry, Jobe said.

The Internal Revenue Service has issued its interpretation of the Energy Policy Act's Renewable Diesel Tax Credit provision, which has expanded the definition of "renewable diesel." This ruling, which comes as the result of intense lobbying of the Administration by some oil companies, allows conventional petroleum refineries to take advantage of the same dollar-per-gallon tax incentive by co-processing raw vegetable oils and animal fats in the conventional refining process.

"The result is bad policy on many levels," Jobe said. He pointed out that unlike the biodiesel industry, the oil industry has not built a new refinery in the U.S. in more than 30 years. The renewable diesel ruling will make large payments for existing refining capacity, and therefore will not add to our fuel capacity or supply. It will likely not add significant investment to the economy, jobs, or rural development.

"In fact, the renewable diesel ruling is likely to result in a reduction of refinery capacity, because it will bid up the price of feedstocks for the biodiesel industry to economically operate," he said. "And despite all of these public disservices that were never debated by Congress, it is likely to cost the federal government billions of dollars."

During his testimony, Jobe re-

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AFI's Natural Gas Index

State	Mcf	GGE	State	Mcf	GGE	State	Mcf	GGE	State	Mcf	GGE
AK	\$7.7900	\$0.9868	ID	\$10.9900	\$1.3921	MT	\$9.4200	\$1.1932	RI	\$14.1300	\$1.7898
AL	\$14.8000	\$1.8747	IL	\$9.8300	\$1.2452	NC	\$10.9500	\$1.3870	SC	\$13.9400	\$1.7658
AR	\$9.1500	\$1.1590	IN	\$9.4800	\$1.2008	ND	\$8.6500	\$1.0957	SD	\$9.1200	\$1.1552
AZ	\$12.5800	\$1.5935	KS	\$11.8500	\$1.5010	NE	\$9.0700	\$1.1489	TN	\$12.5700	\$1.5922
CA	\$10.5700	\$1.3389	KY	\$9.6200	\$1.2186	NH			TX	\$8.7700	\$1.1109
CO	\$8.5600	\$1.0843	LA	\$11.9500	\$1.5137	NJ	\$11.5900	\$1.4681	UT	\$8.1900	\$1.0374
CT	\$12.1500	\$1.5390	MA	\$14.6200	\$1.8519	NM	\$9.6900	\$1.2274	VA	\$11.9900	\$1.5188
DC	\$14.2700	\$1.8076	MD	\$12.1600	\$1.5403	NV	\$11.9900	\$1.5188	VT	\$12.1500	\$1.5390
DE	\$13.7500	\$1.7417	ME	\$15.1700	\$1.9216	NY	\$12.2700	\$1.5542	WA	\$12.7800	\$1.6188
FL	\$13.1800	\$1.6695	MI	\$9.8200	\$1.2439	OH	\$11.8400	\$1.4998	WI	\$10.7600	\$1.3630
GA	\$12.4400	\$1.5758	MN	\$10.6000	\$1.3427	OK	\$10.2000	\$1.2920	WV	\$13.2500	\$1.6784
HI	\$26.3000	\$3.3314	MO	\$11.3700	\$1.4402	OR	\$12.5200	\$1.5859	WY	\$8.3000	\$1.0514
IA	\$10.1300	\$1.2832	MS	\$11.6300	\$1.4732	PA	\$12.6800	\$1.6062			

Overall U.S. Average: \$11.6316 \$1.4734

Prices are commercial averages per thousand cubic feet and do not include taxes, rebates, or subsidies.

GGE = Gasoline Gallon Equivalent based on 900 BTUs per cubic foot. **CNG prices will be higher due to compression and transportation costs.** Prices derived from EIA and sources deemed correct.

Chrysler Cont'd

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earned a place on Ward's 10 Best Engines list.

The new Chrysler Aspen Hybrid and Dodge Durango Hybrid vehicles represent a bold change in what is generally a "me too" category. Chrysler Group's full-size hybrid vehicles will deliver seamless dependable power on demand in an efficient package. With an electrically variable transmission (featuring two electric motors), two full hybrid modes of operation, and four fixed mechanical gear ratios, the drive system improves fuel economy around town and at highway speeds.

Boasting elegant Chrysler styling, unsurpassed capability and performance and abundant premium amenities, the Chrysler Aspen is a premium SUV that is a value alternative to luxury-priced competitors. Offering more for less, Aspen features numerous premium features, elegant Chrysler design, 30

safety features and best-in-class horsepower, torque and interior room.

Chrysler Group's two-mode hybrid powertrain — jointly developed by DaimlerChrysler, General Motors and the BMW Group — represents a major automotive industry milestone due to the unprecedented fully integrated combination of electric motors with a fixed-gear transmission.

As a result of the low- and high-speed electric continuously variable transmission (ECVT) modes, the system is commonly referred to as the two-mode hybrid. However, the sophisticated fuel-saving system also incorporates four fixed gear ratios for high efficiency and power-handling capabilities in a broad variety of vehicle applications. The new Chrysler As-

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AFI's P-

P-Series Price FOB Philadelphia

**\$2.1500
Per Gallon**

GGE = \$2.5904

Price based on bulk production of 32 mbd and includes federal ethanol tax credit.

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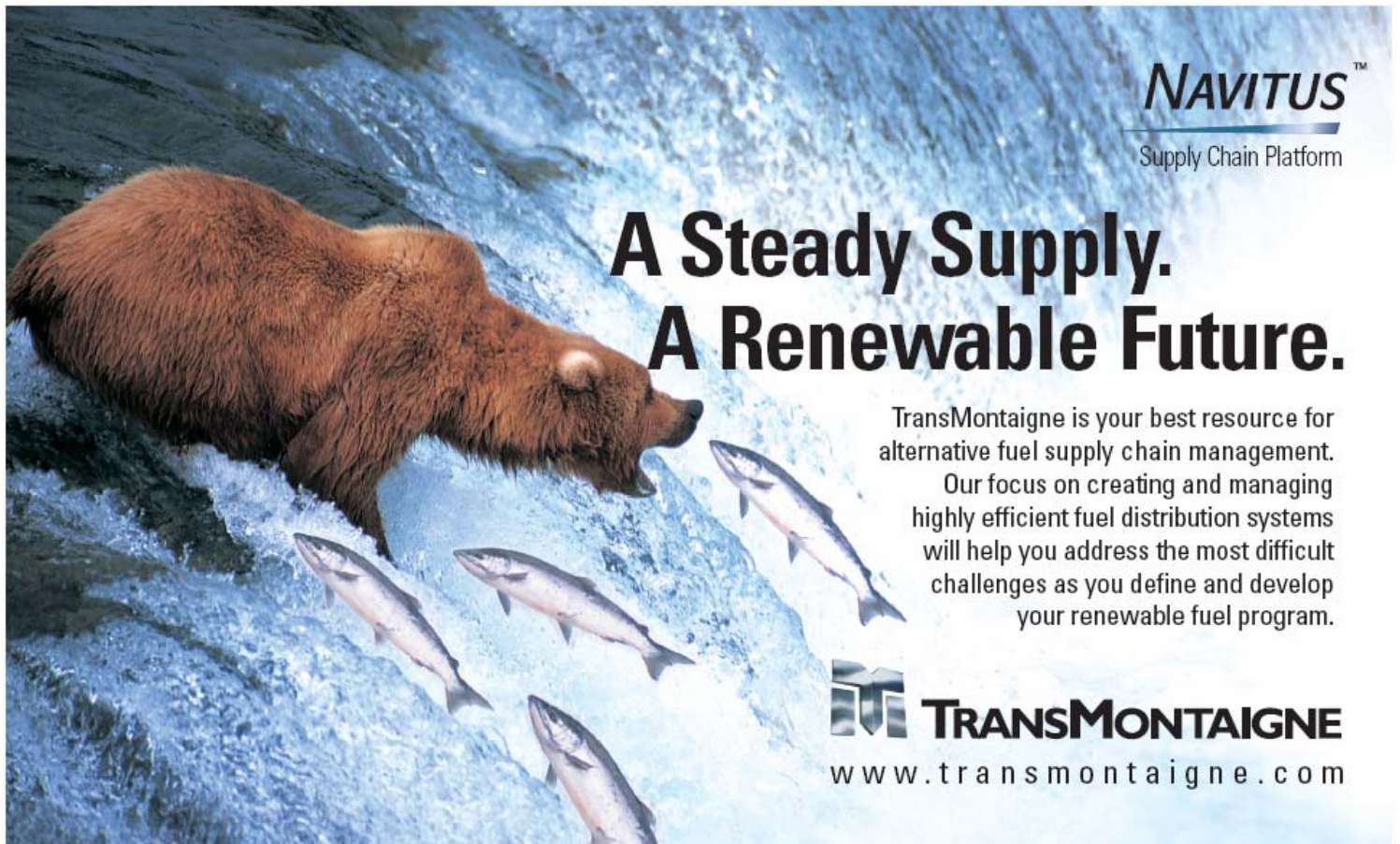
pen Hybrid and Dodge Durango Hybrid vehicles can be powered either by the electric motors or by the 5.7-liter HEMI V-8 engine – or a combination of the two. During the two ECVT modes and four fixed-gear operations, the hybrid system can use the electric motors for boosting and/or regenerative braking. When full power is needed, the system automatically adjusts for passing, driving steep grades or hauling a trailer. The result is trend-setting hybrid technology that provides superior fuel economy, performance and load-carrying capability.

Located in Troy, Mich., the DaimlerChrysler, GM and BMW Hybrid Development Center jointly developed the overall modular two-mode hybrid system and the individual components: electric motors, transmission, high-voltage battery, high-performance electronics, wiring, safety systems, energy management and hybrid system control units. In addition, the Hybrid Development Center is responsible for system integration and project management.

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leased the results of a survey conducted by Moore Information asking taxpayers whether oil companies should benefit from the same level of government support for renewable diesel as for biodiesel. By a margin of 3 to 1, Americans said that of the two fuels, only biodiesel should receive that level of government support. Almost 8 out of 10 Americans also said the Congress's decision to provide a tax incentive for biodiesel was a good one.

Jobe concluded by thanking Members of Congress for their wisdom in encouraging the biodiesel industry. "We urge you to help keep this momentum going by extending the biodiesel tax credit and by closing the renewable diesel tax loophole. I've shown you how biodiesel delivers: now we look to Congress to deliver solutions for what threatens to unravel the progress this young biodiesel industry has made in building homegrown energy."



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AFI's National Roundup

NYMEX Futures

	Price	Price per 10000 BTUs	Diesel Equivalent Price	#2 Diesel
Biodiesel -	\$3.2768	\$0.2525	\$3.2768	\$2.1501

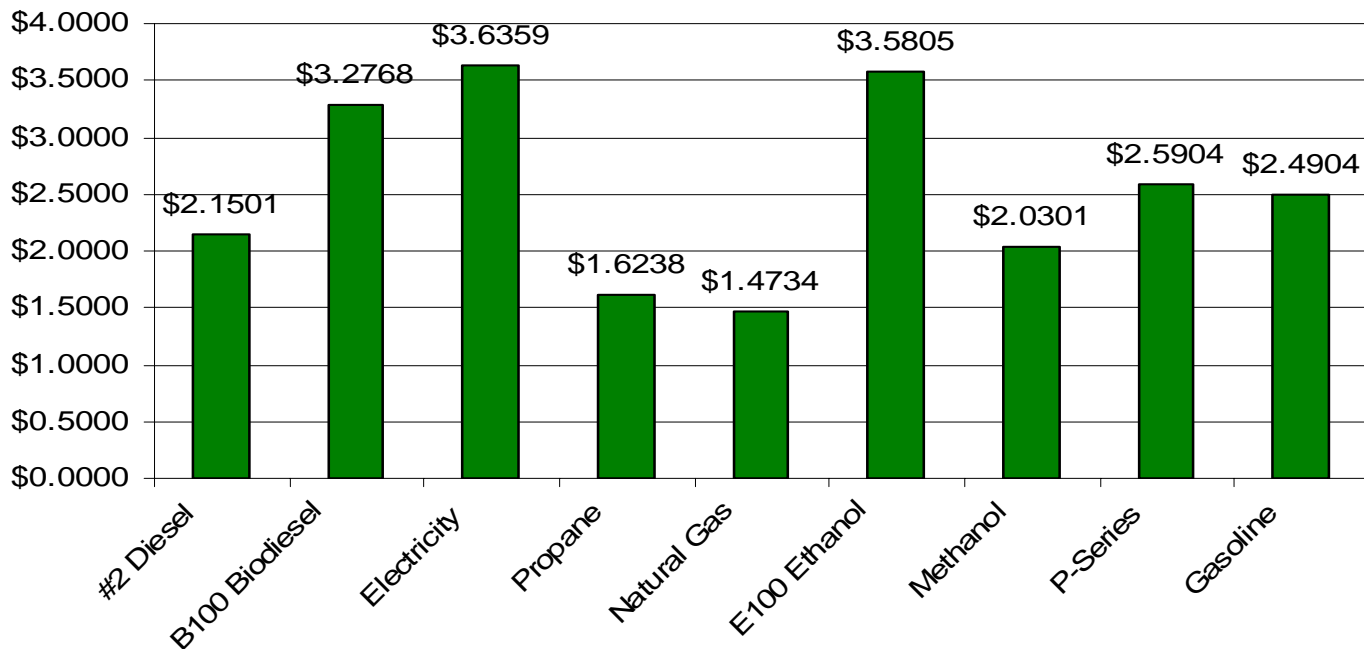
	Price	Price per 10000 BTUs	Gasoline Equivalent Price	87 Octane Gasoline
Electricity -	\$0.0890	\$0.2619	\$3.6359	\$2.4904
Propane -	\$1.1940	\$0.1413	\$1.6238	\$2.4904
Natural Gas -	\$11.6316	\$0.1292	\$1.4734	\$2.4904
Ethanol -	\$2.3870	\$0.3137	\$3.5805	\$2.4904
Methanol -	\$1.0100	\$0.1778	\$2.0301	\$2.4904
P-Series -	\$2.1500	\$0.2270	\$2.5904	\$2.4904

	Crude Oil	
Current:	\$63.68	Jun
Week Ago	\$65.84	
Change:	(\$2.16)	-3.28%

	Heating Oil	
Current:	\$1.8526	Jun
Week Ago	\$1.9015	
Change:	(\$0.0489)	-2.57%

	Unl. Gasoline	
Current:	\$2.2326	Jun
Week Ago	\$2.2826	
Change:	(\$0.0500)	-2.19%

Diesel/Gasoline Gallon Equivalent Average Prices



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