

WINTER 2017 UPDATE



Jeff Lynn, President

National Biodiesel Foundation

### SUPPORTERS DO GOOD THINGS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

As the incoming Foundation president, I am in awe of what the Foundation has been able to accomplish for biodiesel and the environment with help from you, our supporters. It is a pleasure to share with you here our 2016 successes as well as our sustainability and research goals for 2017.

### BIODIESEL'S LOW CARBON IMPACT CONFIRMED

These five words sum up the National Biodiesel Foundation's continued focus on **Sustainability** and **Research**. The Foundation has a proven track record for demonstrating lower indirect land use changes (ILUC) and GHG impacts associated with biofuels through new research analysis. The data that has been generated provides needed justification to policy makers to better position biodiesel in the low-carbon fuel market. Substantiating its minimal impact on ILUC supports biodiesel's place in a more sustainable energy and food system. The bottom line is...greater biodiesel use is good for all of us. According to a 2016 market report from the National Biodiesel Board, over 90% of heavy-duty trucks are powered by diesel engines. Offering this market a choice of biodiesel blends helps reduce dangerous emissions and keeps air safer for people to breathe, while reducing our dependence on foreign oil.

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Foundation Director Tom Verry meets NGSB students

## SUSTAINABILITY MATTERS

Accurately understanding the life cycle (LCA) of biodiesel and its land use requirements affect how biodiesel ranks among other transportation fuels and its marketability. This past September, thirty renowned land use experts met in St. Louis, Missouri to prioritize ILUC research needs for the coming two years. This will provide direction for Foundation resources. A list of the [priorities](#) is available on [NBF's website](#).



Workshop participants discuss research priorities in St. Louis

## EDUCATION MATTERS

- This past September, we hosted a Diesel Technician Training in western Pennsylvania for **280 trainees**.
- We also provided funds for **diesel technician training** hosted by the Greater Washington Clean Cities Coalition.
- A second **New York Education Tour** is planned for October 2017. Last year's tour gave 13 congressional representatives and agency representatives an up-close look at biodiesel and Bioheat® in an urban setting.
- A record number 33 staff and regulatory agencies learned about biodiesel through visits to biodiesel plants and farmer meetings on the **Annual Biofuels: Science and Sustainability Tour** hosted by the Iowa Renewable Fuels Association with Foundation support.

## Thank you...

**...to everyone who gave on Giving Tuesday. Enough funds were raised to send two [Next Generation Scientists for Biodiesel](#) to the National Biodiesel Conference.**

**...for shopping on [AmazonSmile](#). Just designate the Foundation as the recipient and 0.5% of your purchase price goes to NBF.**

**... to our sponsors and participants at the recent Silent Auction and drawing which raised over \$18,000. Proceeds support NBF grants and projects.**



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**Technician trainees  
participants**



**New York City tour  
participants**

We have a lot planned for 2017. I hope to meet some of you along the way. In the coming months, I and other board members will contact biodiesel supporters to learn more about why biodiesel matters to you and how we can work together to ensure that biodiesel's many benefits – cleaner air, domestic job growth, and increased national security – continue to expand.

With great appreciation for your support,

Jeff Lynn, President