

Virginia Biodiesel Conference

8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast (Sponsored by Holtzman Corporation) and Registration
JMU College Center – Ballrooms A, B, C

9:00 a.m. Welcome: Local Bio-fuels Initiatives
Dr. Christie-Joy Brodrick, Alternative Vehicle Fuels Lab, James Madison University
Larry Rogers, Mayor, City of Harrisonburg

MORNING SESSION MODERATOR: Dr. Christie-Joy Brodrick

9:10 a.m. Local, State and National Programs to Promote the Production and Use of Bio-Fuels
Robin Jones, Energy Program Manager, Division of Energy, Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy
Chad Freckmann, Executive Director, Blue Ridge Clean Fuels

9:30 a.m. What is Biodiesel? Benefits of Biodiesel for Energy Security, Air Quality and Health
Dr. Jon Van Gerpen, Professor and Department Head, Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, University of Idaho
Dr. Van Gerpen is recognized by industry and academia as a leader in internal combustion engine, bio-fuels and pollution-prevention research.

10:30 a.m. Break (Sponsored by Holtzman Corporation)
Biodiesel School Bus Ceremony
Larry Rogers, Mayor, City of Harrisonburg
Reggie Smith, Director, Harrisonburg Dept. Of Public Transportation
Cathy Glenn, Supervisor of Administrative Services and Operations, Harrisonburg City Public Schools

10:45 a.m. Biodiesel Production and Markets: U.S. Production Capacity and Potential Capacity, Current and Emerging Markets, Opportunities for Growth
Bob Gray, Director, Midwest/Mid-Atlantic Region, World Energy Alternatives, LLC

11:20 a.m. Feasibility Analysis: Environmental Permitting Requirements, Economics and Costs of Production, Economies of Scale, By-Products.
Brian Duff, Biochemical Process Engineer, BBI International

12:00 a.m. Outlook for Biodiesel in Virginia
Doug Faulkner, Managing Member, Virginia Biodiesel Refinery

12:20 p.m. LUNCH (Sponsored by Holtzman Corporation)

AFTERNOON MODERATOR: Chad Freckmann, Blue Ridge Clean Fuels

12:45 p.m. Keynote Speakers
Dave Ebersole, Senior Professional Staff, House Agriculture Committee
Josh Maxwell, Energy Staff Assistant, House Agriculture Committee

1:00 p.m. The Positive Impact of Biodiesel in the Community
Lyle Estill, Vice President, Piedmont Biofuels, Pittsboro, NC

1:30 p.m. Biodiesel Logo Contest Entries / Break

2:00 p.m. Biodiesel Production Technologies: Types of Biodiesel Production Processes, Feedstocks for Biodiesel Production
Dr. Jon Van Gerpen, Professor and Department Head, Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, University of Idaho

2:30 p.m. Challenges to Introducing Bio-diesel into the Market
Rick Koontz, Vice President, Holtzman Oil Company

- 2:50 p.m. The Future Of Biodiesel. Current and Pending Policy Issues and Incentives.**
Nic Van Vuuren, Director, Virginia Clean Cities
- 3:15 p.m. Break (Sponsored by Holtzman Corporation)**
- 3:30 p.m. Arlington County's Experience in Moving to Biodiesel**
Reasons why, steps to implementation, performance benefits (cost, maintenance, repair), health and environmental benefits, public perception/reaction.
Ric Hiller, Equipment Bureau Chief, Arlington County, Virginia
- 4:00 p.m. Panel Discussion on Bio-diesel use in Virginia**
Tom Gibson, Environmental Engineer, Valley Proteins
Ric Hiller, Equipment Bureau Chief, Arlington County, VA
Mike Kaufman, Transportation Director, JMU Facilities Management
Reggie Smith, Director, Harrisonburg Dept. Of Public Transportation
Allen Somers, Auto Mechanic Supervisor, Shenandoah National Park
Randy Poag, Fuels Diversification Lab Coordinator, JMU ISAT