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NATIONAL BIOFUELS FORUM TO BE HELD IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Las Vegas, NV – Alternative Fuel Vehicle Institute (AFVi) announces the *Biofuels Drive Economic Solutions* Forum to be held Thursday, September 20, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Forum focus is on biodiesel and E85 and is designed as part of AFVi's Learning Marketplace to introduce fleets and decision-makers to a wide range of information on the fuels, the vehicles and available incentives. This Forum, sponsored by the Las Vegas Regional Clean Cities Coalition (LVRCCC), is designed to bring alternative fuel industry and government experts together to provide the latest informational tools to allow fleets to successfully operate using biofuels.

“Biofuels have created their own energy revolution,” said Annalloyd Thomason, Executive Director of the AFVi. “Prospective fleet customers, driven by regulatory or business reasons, need to know how this might impact the makeup of their vehicle fleets today and into the future. This Forum is part of AFVi's Learning Marketplace, designed to give customers timely information when they need it the most.”

National security, economic security and environmental concerns are the catalysts behind the dramatic growth in the market during the past few years. The biodiesel market alone increased by 1000% from 2004 to 2006. The upward trajectory for biodiesel and ethanol will be addressed from a government, producer, vehicle/engine manufacturer, and fleet perspective as part of the Forum. Participants can expect to hear about state and federal funding and incentives, biofuel vehicle and fueling options, air quality benefits, fuel availability as well as some more basic considerations about fuel standards and fuel use impacts on storage tanks, pumps and dispensers. Expert presenters representing vehicle and engine manufacturers, fuel associations, suppliers, users of biofuels, and high-ranking officials from federal, state, and local government regulatory agencies offer up to the minute information on today's marketplace. Included among the speaker commitments are Dan Hyde, Fleet and Transportation Manager for the City of Las Vegas; Joe Jobe, Executive Director of the NBB; Michael Mann, United States Environmental Protection Agency; Robert White, EPIC; Frank Giordano, Clark County School District; and Chris Cassidy, United States Department of Agriculture Business and Cooperative Programs.

The Forum runs from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 20. The registration fee is \$199. The fee includes access to Forum materials, a continental breakfast, and lunch. To register, go to the AFVi website and sign up today.

<http://www.afvi.org/forums.html>. The Forum will be held at The Orleans Hotel, 4500 West Tropicana Avenue in Las Vegas. The Forum is presented by AFVi and the lead sponsor is the LVRCCC. EPIC and NBB are supporting sponsors.

About AFVI

AFVi is an entrepreneurial organization that works through industry to bring people in need of proven transportation technologies together with those who can meet their needs. AFVi is the education provider and information link between the alternative fuels and vehicles industry and public/private fleets. The primary business of the company is to advance the use of alternative fuels, vehicles and advanced transportation technology, while minimizing environmental impacts. AFVi is fuel and technology neutral.

About Las Vegas Regional Clean Cities Coalition

LVRCCC is a public-private partnership aimed at expanding the use of alternatives to gasoline and diesel fuels. By encouraging the use of alternative fuel vehicles, LVRCCC helps enhance energy security and independence and environmental quality in the Las Vegas Valley. LVRCCC is one of nearly 100 U.S. Department of Energy Clean Cities coalitions operating in communities throughout the country.

About the Ethanol Promotion and Information Council

EPIC is a nonprofit alliance of ethanol industry leaders who have come together to grow consumer demand for ethanol energy through targeted marketing. Their goal is to reach consumers and key influencers across the country and educate them on the performance and environmental benefits of using an ethanol-enriched fuel in their automobiles.

About the National Biodiesel Board

NBB is the national trade association representing the biodiesel industry as the coordinating body for research and development in the US. It was founded in 1992 and today is a comprehensive industry association. NBB's membership is comprised of state, national, and international feedstock and feedstock processor organizations, biodiesel suppliers, fuel marketers and distributors, and technology providers.

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