

DOE Efforts to Accelerate Deployment and Commercialization of Advanced Biofuels

## **AGENDA**



- Overview of DOE Biomass Program Mission and Goals
- Description of Demonstration and Deployment Activities
- Federal Funding and Incentive Programs
- Biomass Program MSW to Biofuels Projects
- Upcoming Biomass Program Funding Opportunities





# Department of Energy Priorities and Goals



## **Advancing Presidential Objectives**

### **Science & Discovery**

- Connecting basic and applied science
- Conducting breakthrough R&D

### **Economic Prosperity**

- Creating jobs and reinvigorating rural economies
- Supporting the emerging U.S. bioenergy industry

### **Climate Change**

- GHG reductions: 50% (advanced) / 60% (cellulosic) biofuels
- Low-carbon power generation technologies
- Development of criteria for sustainable biofuel production

### Clean, Secure Energy

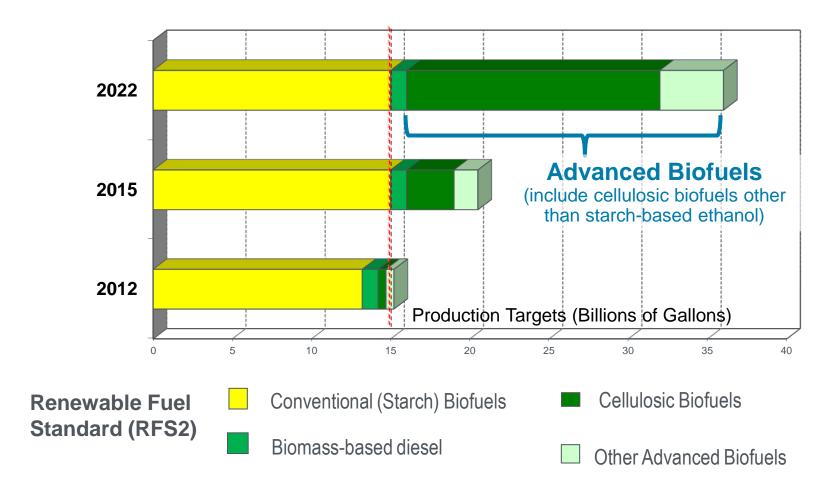
Developing & demonstrating advanced biofuels technologies



## **EISA Mandated Biofuel Production Targets**



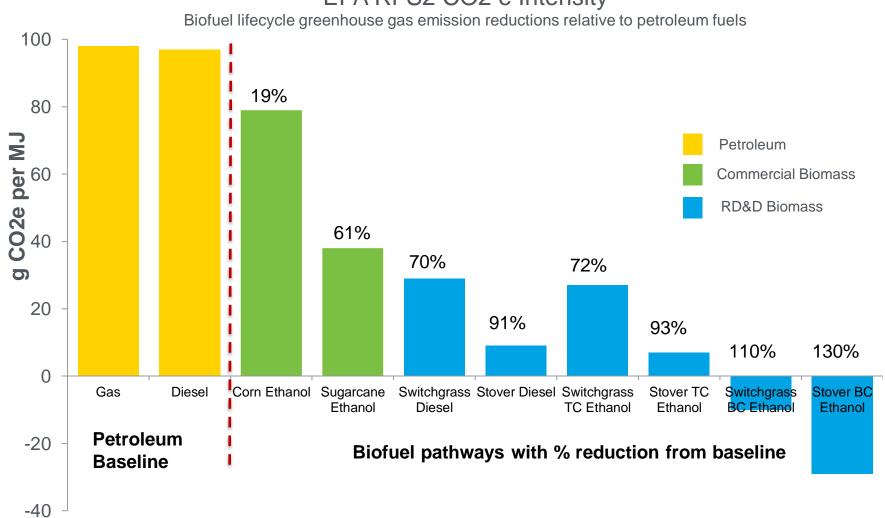
### 15 BGY Cap on Conventional (starch) Biofuels



# Climate Change: GHG Reduction/ Low Carbon Fuels







<sup>\*</sup> TC = Thermochemical conversion | BC = Biochemical conversion Source: FPA RES2 Final Rule March 26, 2010

## Biomass Program Mission, Objectives, Goals



Develop and transform our renewable and abundant biomass resources into cost competitive, high performance biofuels, bioproducts, and biopower.

### **R&D Priorities**

- Achieving biofuel cost targets (modeled)
  - <\$2/gal for cellulosic ethanol;</p>
  - <\$3 for cellulosic drop-ins</p>
- Developing bio-power and bio-products for important supporting roles
- Meeting the EISA Renewable Fuel Standard
- Investing to meet targets (~\$200M/yr)

### **Moving Markets**

- Close collaboration with USDA, EPA, DOD
- Pilot and commercial demonstrations
- Infrastructure for delivery (including fuel dispensers)
- Subsidies and other policy drivers

### Research, Development, and Demonstration

**Feedstocks** 

Biochemical and Thermochemical Conversion

Biopower Biofuels Bioproducts

Integrated Biorefineries

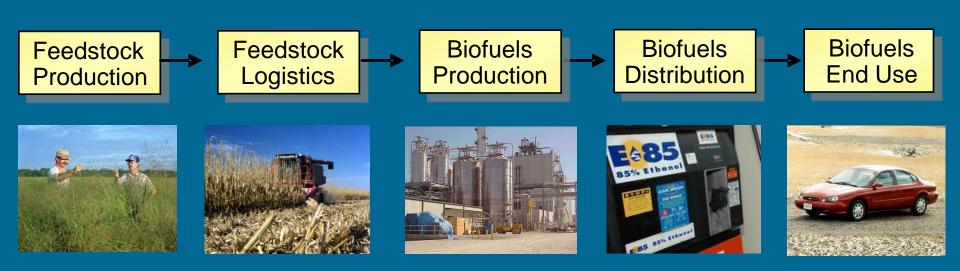
Infrastructure

**Crosscutting Activities** 

Analysis; Sustainability; Partnerships, Communications, and Outreach

## Strategic Focus: Biofuels





- **Cellulosic Ethanol**: Historically, the primary focus of the program has been on the conversion of lignocellulosic biomass to fuel ethanol. This work can be fully leveraged and applied to renewable hydrocarbon fuels.
- Alternative Light-Duty and Diesel Replacement Fuels: Over past few years, Biomass Program has expanded its technology portfolio to include the production of renewable hydrocarbon fuels from lignocellulosic biomass, including renewable gasoline, diesel and jet fuel, which will be required to meet the EISA goal.



# Description of Demonstration and Deployment Activities

# Recovery Act Funding and Initiatives Biomass R&D and Demonstration Projects - \$800 Million



### \$509M Pilot and Demonstration-Scale Biorefineries

Validate technologies for integrated production of advanced biofuels, products, and power to enable financing and replication. DOE recently selected

- 14 pilot-scale projects for up to \$25M each
- 4 demonstration-scale projects for up to \$50M

### **\$81M** Commercial-Scale Biorefineries

Increase in funding for prior awards; one project Expedite construction; accelerate commissioning and start-up

### \$107M Fundamental Research

**\$24M:** Integrated Process Development Unit - LBNL

**\$5M:** Sustainability research with the Office of Science

\$34M: Advanced Biofuels Technology Consortium

**\$44M:** Algal Biofuels Consortium to accelerate demonstration

\$20M Mid-Level Blends Testing and Infrastructure Research \$13.5M Expand NREL Integrated Biorefinery Research Facility \$69.5M SBIR and Program Direction



## Integrated Biorefinery Portfolio



- 29 R&D, pilot, demonstration, and commercialscale projects selected to validate IBR technologies
- Diverse feedstocks represented

Agricultural Residues

Algae/CO2

Municipal Solid

**Forest Resources** 

Waste

**Energy Crops** 

Non-edible oils



 A variety of transportation fuels, biobased products, and biopower will be developed

Cellulosic

Renewable

Biobased

**Ethanol** 

Gasoline Chemicals

Butanol

Renewable

Process heat and

Methanol

Diesel

steam

Jet Fuel

Electricity

**Biodiesel** 



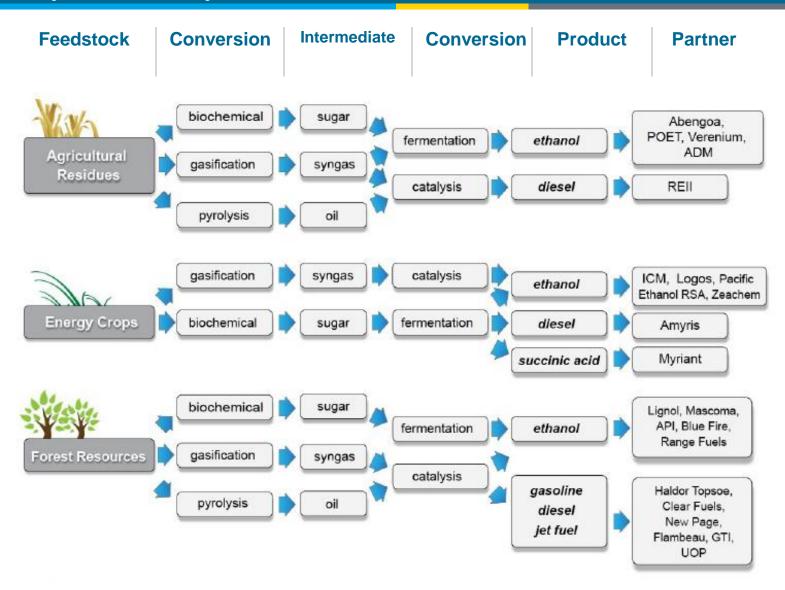
# Biomass Program's Integrated Biorefinery Project Portfolio – Geographic Diversity





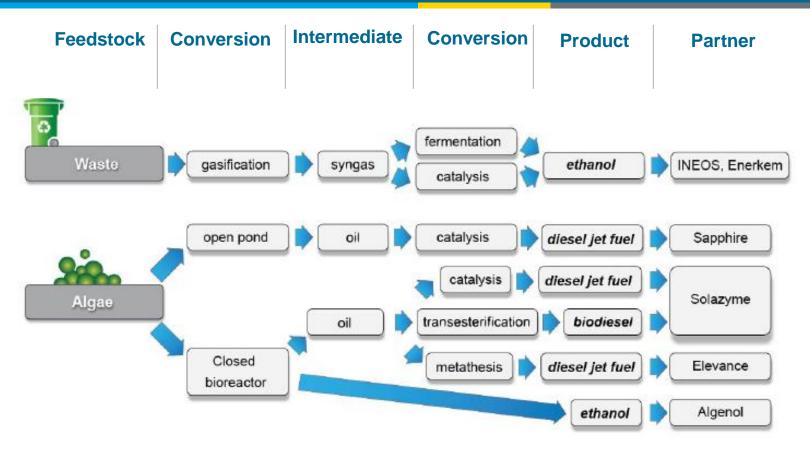
# Integrated Biorefinery Portfolio – Pathway Diversity





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# Key Recent Accomplishments: EPAct 2005 Section 932: "Commercial-Scale" Biorefineries \*\*ENERGY\*\*



| Performer   | Location          | DOE<br>Award* | Feedstock Type                   | Conversion<br>Technology                        | Fuel / Capacity**                    |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Bluefire    | Fulton, MS        | \$87.6M       | Wood<br>Wood Waste<br>Sorted MSW | Biochemical-<br>Concentrated Acid<br>Hydrolysis | 19M gals ethanol/yr                  |
| Poet        | Emmetsburg,<br>IA | \$100M        | Corn Cob                         | Biochemical                                     | 25M gals ethanol/yr                  |
| Range Fuels | Soperton, GA      | \$76.2M       | Wood Waste                       | Gasification +<br>Mixed Alcohol<br>synthesis    | 20M gals per yr<br>mixed alcohols    |
| Abengoa     | Hugoton, KS       | \$100M        | Agricultural<br>Residues         | Biochemical                                     | 15M gals ethanol/yr<br>& 75 MW power |

<sup>\*</sup>Award amounts still under negotiation.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Fuel capacities are based on performers estimates.

\$30M

\$30M

\$32M

\$30M

\$33.9M

\$14.9M

up to \$80M

**Up to \$50M** 

Washington

County, KY

**TBD** 

**Upper** 

Peninsula, MI

Wisconsin

Rapids, WI

Boardman, OR

Old Town, ME

Jennings, LA

Park Falls, WI

Alltech Envirofine

Lignol

**Innovations** 

Mascoma

**NewPage** 

**RSA** 

Verenium

Biofuels Corp.

Flambeau River

**Biofuels LLC** 

**Pacific Ethanol** 



1M gals ethanol/yr

2.5M gals ethanol/yr

5M gals ethanol/yr

5.5M gals FT Liquids/yr

2.7M gals ethanol/yr

2.2M gals of Ethanol or

1.5M gals ethanol/yr

50M lbs of FT wax

9M gals FT Liquids/yr and

**Butanol** 

**Biochemical-Solid State** 

**Biochemical-Organisolve** 

Thermochemical-Fischer-

**Biochemical-Biogasol** 

**Biochemical-Pentose** 

**Biochemical Process** 

Thermochem to Fischer-

**Fermentation** 

**Biochemical** 

**Tropsch** 

**Extraction** 

**Tropsch** 

| Key Rec    |          | 08 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY | Renewable Er   |                          |            |
|------------|----------|------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|------------|
| Performers | Location | DOE<br>Award*                | Feedstock Type | Conversion<br>Technology | Fuel / Amo |

**Corn Cobs** 

**Woody Biomass** 

**Woody Biomass** 

**Woody Biomass** 

**Poplar Residuals** 

Hemicellulose from

**Energy Cane and** 

**Sugar Cane Bagasse** 

Forest Residues and

Award amounts still under negotiation

**Wood Waste** 

Wood

Wheat Straw, Stover,

| Demonstration |          | 08 ENERGY     | Renewable Energy |            |               |
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# Key Recent Accomplishments:

Waste Forest Residues, Corn Stover,

Bagasse, Switchgrass, Algae

Algae

MSW, Forest Residues

MSW

Sorghum



60,000

1,000,000

10,000,000

8,000,000

30,000,000 lbs/yr

NA

NA

| ARRA Biorefineries Selected in FY2010 |  |                     |                   |                | e Energy |
|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------|
| Project                               | Feedstock                                  | Technology          | 1° Product        | Scale (gal/yr) | Class    |
| Algenol                               | Algae                                      | Closed Ponds        | Ethanol           | 100,000        | Pilot    |
| Solazyme                              | Sugar/Hydrolysates                         | Heterotrophic Algae | Oil               | 300,000        | Pilot    |
| American Process Inc.                 | Hardwood Hydrolysate                       | Biochemical         | Ethanol           | 894,000        | Pilot    |
| Renewable Energy Inst.<br>Inc.        | Rice Hulls & Forest Residues               | TC Gasification     | RE Diesel         | 625,000        | Pilot    |
| Haldor Topsoe                         | Wood Waste                                 | TC Gasification     | RE Gasoline       | 345,000        | Pilot    |
| ADM                                   | Corn Stover                                | Biochemical         | Ethanol           | 25,800         | Pilot    |
| ICM                                   | Corn Fiber, Switchgrass, Energy<br>Sorghum | Biochemical         | Ethanol           | 345,000        | Pilot    |
| Clear Fuels                           | Wood Waste, Bagasse                        | TC Gasification     | RE Diesel, RE Jet | 151,000        | Pilot    |
| Zeachem                               | Hybrid Poplar, Stover, Cobs                | BC/TC Hybrid        | Ethanol           | 250,000        | Pilot    |
| Amyris                                | Sweet Sorghum                              | Biochemical         | RE Diesel         | 1,370          | Pilot    |
| Logos                                 | Corn Stover, Switchgrass, Wood             | Biochemical         | Ethanol           | 50,000         | Pilot    |

**Elevance** Algae oil, Plant oil, Animal oil **Gas Technology** Wood Waste, Corn Stover, Algae Institute Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

**UOP** 

**Sapphire** 

**Enerkem** 

**Ineos** 

**Myriant** 

\*Award amounts still under negotiation

**TC-Pyrolysis** 

Open ponds

TC Gasification

Hybid/TC Ferm

Biochemical

Chemical-Metathesis

**TC-Pyrolysis** 

RE Gasoline, RE Diesel

Oil

Ethanol

Ethanol

Succinic Acid

RE Diesel, RE Jet

RE Gasoline, RE Diesel

Pilot

Demo

Demo

Demo

Demo

**R&D** only

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# Federal Funding and Incentive Programs

# Funding Programs and Incentives



DOE Loan Guarantee Program

Section 1703 of Title XVII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 authorizes the U.S. Department of Energy to support innovative clean energy technologies that are typically unable to obtain conventional private financing due to high technology risks.

- Current Applications under review:
  - Abengoa (ethanol)
  - POET (ethanol)
  - Mascoma (ethanol)



## Funding Programs and Incentives



- USDA Loan Guarantee Program: SECTION 9003 Biorefinery assistance program
- Biorefinery assistance loan guarantees

Loan guarantees are made to fund the development, construction, and retrofitting of commercial-scale biorefineries using eligible technology. The maximum loan guarantee is \$250 million. Mandatory funding is available through FY 2012.

Current Applications approved or under review:

RangeFuels (ethanol) – approved
Sapphire (algal jet fuel/diesel) – approved
BlueFire (ethanol)
Flambeau (FT diesel/waxes)
Enerkem (ethanol)
Coskata (ethanol)

## Funding Programs and Incentives



### Cellulosic Reverse Auction

- Accelerate deployment and commercialization of biofuels in delivering the first billion gallons in annual cellulosic biofuels production by 2015
- Not acquisition (DOE does not take possession of the fuel) basically a fuel subsidy
- Annual cap: \$100 million; Lifetime cap: \$1 billion
- Project cap: 25% of funds, minimum 4 recipients
- Applicant Fuels producer (intends to) own and operate an eligible cellulosic biofuels production facility in "Commercially Significant Quantities" and places bid for amount of subsidy
- Only for biofuels (not products or power): Lignocellulosic Ethanol, "Green" Diesel, and Other fuel substitutes – alcohols, oxygenates
- Must have lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions that are at least 60 percent less than the baseline lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions (EISA 2007 Sec. 202)

## Additional Federal Incentives



- Blender's Credit for Ethanol (VEETC). The Volumetric Ethanol Excise Tax Credit extended through 2011 at the current rate of 45 cents per gallon.
- Tariff on Imported Ethanol. The 54 cent per gallon tariff on imported ethanol has been extended through 2011.
- Small Producer Tax Credit. The 10 cent per gallon producer tax credit for small ethanol producers producing no more 60 million gallon of ethanol a year was also extended through 2011. The tax credit is applicable to just the first 15 million gallons of production for eligible producers.
- Excise tax credits for alternative fuel and alternative fuel mixtures. The
  measure extends through 2011 the \$0.50 per gallon alternative fuel credit and
  the alternative fuel mixture tax credits, excluding black liquor (liquid fuel
  derived from a pulp or paper manufacturing process) from credit eligibility.
- Alternative fuel vehicle refueling property. The measure extends the 30
  percent investment tax credit for alternative vehicle refueling property for one
  year, through 2011.

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# Biomass Program MSW to Biofuels Projects

# Biomass Program: MSW to Biofuels Projects



### BlueFire Ethanol, LLC

Location/Cost: Fulton, MS / \$330MM (DOE ~27%)

Feedstock(s): Woody biomass, logging residues or chips, sorted

MSW

Size/Scale: 770 Dry tons per day / Commercial Scale

Technology/Process: Biochem – Concentrated Acid Hydrolysis

Primary Products: Cellulosic ethanol

Capacity: 19 million gallons per year

Award Date: September, 2007 and December, 2009

Start of Operations: April, 2013 (est.)

GHG Reduction: 60-150% reduction versus fossil product

Anticipated Job

Creation: 250 Construction jobs and 45-50 full-time jobs

# Biomass Program: MSW to Biofuels Projects



## Enerkem Corporation

Location/Cost: Pontotoc, MS / \$120MM (DOE ~42%)

Feedstock(s): MSW and wood residues

Size/Scale: 330 Dry tons per day / Demonstration Scale

Technology/Process: Thermochem – Catalytic Conversion of Syngas

Primary Products: Cellulosic ethanol

Capacity: 10 million gallons per year

Award Date: January, 2010

Start of Operations: April, 2013 (est.)

GHG Reduction: 80% reduction versus gasoline

Anticipated Job

Creation: 210 Construction jobs and 130 full-time jobs

# Biomass Program: MSW to Biofuels Projects



## INEOS/New Planet Bioenergy LLC

Location/Cost: Vero Beach, FL / ~\$100MM (DOE ~50%)

Feedstock(s): Vegetative & Yard waste, MSW

Size/Scale: 300 Dry tons per day / Demonstration Scale

Technology/Process: Hybrid Thermochem/Biochem Syngas Fermentation

Primary Products: Cellulosic ethanol, renewable power

Capacity: 8 million gallons per year and

6 MW (gross) of electricity generation

Award Date: September, 2010

Start of Operations: January, 2012 (est.)

GHG Reduction: > 90% GHG Reduction compared to gasoline

Anticipated Job

Creation: 175 Construction jobs and 50 full-time jobs

# Upcoming Biomass Program Funding Opportunities

## **Upcoming Funding Opportunities**



### Algae Research

For more information, visit: www.fedconnect.net/FedConnect or www.grants.gov

- Halophyte Algae Consortium
- Reduction of Water Intensity or Nutrient Input
- Storage and Transport of Algal Biomass and Biofuel Intermediates
- Integrated Process Improvements; from Pretreatment to Substitutes for Petroleum-based Feedstocks, Products and Fuels
- Non-ethanol products (including fuels, chemicals and intermediates) 2 3 projects with an 80/20 cost share, over 3 years

### **Biopower**

- Improvements to densify and enhance biomass for efficient combustion
- R&D to improve efficiency levels for cofiring densified biomass with coal in utility boilers

### **Biomass Research and Development Initiative**

 Annual Joint Solicitation between DOE and USDA - feedstocks development, biofuels and biobased products development, and biofuels development analysis (FY11 FOA

### **Reverse Auction**

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## Information Resources: Links



- Office of the Biomass Program <a href="http://www.biomass.energy.gov">http://www.biomass.energy.gov</a>
- Biomass Publication Library <a href="http://www.biomass.energy.gov/publications.html">http://www.biomass.energy.gov/publications.html</a>
- Biofuels Atlas <a href="http://maps.nrel.gov/bioenergyatlas">http://maps.nrel.gov/bioenergyatlas</a>
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- EERE Info Center <a href="http://www1.eere.energy.gov/informationcenter">http://www1.eere.energy.gov/informationcenter</a>
- Alternative Fuels Data Center <a href="http://www.eere.energy.gov/afdc/fuels">http://www.eere.energy.gov/afdc/fuels</a>
- Bioenergy Feedstock Information Network <a href="http://bioenergy.ornl.gov/">http://bioenergy.ornl.gov/</a>
- Biomass R&D Initiative <a href="http://www.usbiomassboard.gov/">http://www.usbiomassboard.gov/</a>
- Grant Solicitations <a href="http://www.grants.gov">http://www.grants.gov</a>
- Office of Science <a href="http://www.science.doe.gov">http://www.science.doe.gov</a>
- Loan Guarantee Program Office <a href="http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov">http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov</a>
- Loan Guarantee Final Rule -<a href="http://www.lgprogram.energy.govlgfinalrule.pdf">http://www.lgprogram.energy.govlgfinalrule.pdf</a>

"Developing the next generation of biofuels is key to our effort to end our dependence on foreign oil and address the climate crisis -- while creating millions of new jobs that can't be outsourced. With American investment and ingenuity -- and resources grown right here at home -- we can lead the way toward a new green energy economy."

- Secretary of Energy Steven Chu