



Media Events Schedule

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Welcome to the 2018 National Biodiesel Conference & Expo!

News releases will be e-mailed to you and available in both the Media Workroom in Room 101 at the Fort Worth Convention Center and available in the virtual media room: <http://biodiesel.org/media/>.
Mult boxes will be available for the Mainstage in the Expo Hall (Exhibit Hall A).

In addition to the events on the Mainstage, you may find some of the breakout sessions throughout the week of particular interest. Consult the Conference Schedule available online at <http://www.biodieselconference.org/schedule> for more information.

Tuesday, January 23rd

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

BIODIESEL'S BRIGHT LIGHTS & BIG OPPORTUNITIES | Expo Mainstage | Exhibit Hall A

You can't miss the National Biodiesel Conference & Expo Mainstage Premiere! Centered in the heart of the Expo Hall, the Mainstage will feature the conference's top speakers and main events throughout the week. To kick off your conference you'll hear from NBB leadership as we celebrate NBB's 25th anniversary. Also take a deep dive into market dynamics with an industry petroleum panel. Hear firsthand the obstacles and opportunities facing the biodiesel industry from those who also have a stake in key industry issues. This dynamic conversation will set the stage for a fantastic week.

Speakers: Donnell Rehagen, CEO, NBB; NBB Board Chairman Kent Engelbrecht, Biodiesel Trade Manager, Archer Daniels Midland Company; Ryan McNutt, CEO, SIGMA; Chet Thompson, CEO, American Fuel & Petrochemicals Manufacturers; Rob Underwood, President, Petroleum Marketers Association of America

Tuesday, January 23rd

9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

NEXT GENERATION SCIENTISTS POSTER SESSION | Exhibit Hall A

The poster session will be in the Expo Hall, featuring the research of young scientists who are members of the Next Generation Scientists for Biodiesel (a National Biodiesel Board program). The students will be standing by to discuss their work. Today's students are tomorrow's biodiesel industry leaders, so please stop by and get to know them!

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

A DRIVING FORCE: WHY BIODIESEL IS THE ECONOMIC ENGINE THAT DELIVERS | Ballroom A

Biodiesel is a clear success story of the Renewable Fuel Standard. Behind the headlines, the true economic measure includes urban and rural jobs, support of livestock and crop producers across America, and domestic plant capacity that builds U.S. energy diversification and security. Learn the facts on how biodiesel has delivered a load of benefits, right on schedule, for the U.S. economy.

SPEAKERS: Ryan Pederson, Pederson Farms; J. Alan Weber, Partner, MARC-IV; Billy Burns, INTL FCStone Financial

1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

BIODIESEL VEHICLE SHOWCASE | Exhibit Hall A

The Biodiesel Vehicle Showcase is back by popular demand! Come see what surprises the automakers and fleets have in store for you this year as they showcase their latest biodiesel-capable vehicles, technologies and announcements. The Vehicle Showcase presentation with special speakers will take place in the Expo Hall, with vehicles remaining on display during full Expo hours on Tuesday and Wednesday.

2:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

MEDIA AVAILABILITY: NBB CEO DONNELL REHAGEN | Exhibit Hall A

Wrap up day one of conference activity with an exclusive sit-down with NBB CEO Donnell Rehagen. Join us in the NBB Booth in Conference Central and bring your questions as we set the stage for 2018 – the twenty fifth year of the National Biodiesel Board.

Wednesday, January 24th

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

THE BIG 3 IN D.C. | Expo Mainstage | Exhibit Hall A

You've said it over and over...it's all about federal affairs. The industry can thrive with appropriate tax, trade and RFS policy in place. These policies can determine whether a year is "good" or "bad" for the biodiesel industry. This session will bring together the top federal policy experts in biodiesel for a lively discussion of the biggest issues we faced in the last year—and those that remain—in the new Trump Administration and republican Congress. Always a conference favorite, this dynamic discussion and presentation will inform on each of NBB's key issues.

Speakers: Myles Getlan, Partner, Cassidy Levy Kent LLP USA; Jim Massey, Chairman, Jim Massie & Partners LLC; Byron Dorgan, Senior Policy Advisory, Arent Fox; Kurt Kovarik, Vice President of Federal Affairs, NBB; Doug Whithead, COO, NBB

10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

RIDE-AND-DRIVE | Convention Center Events Plaza

2018 is shaping up to be another exciting year for new diesel vehicle introductions, and this is your chance to take a spin around Fort Worth in some of them! Come on out and kick the tires or get behind the wheel of these biodiesel-powered beauties and discover your next vehicle purchase!

10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

SPOTLIGHT ON WEST COAST CARBON MARKETS | Ballroom B

The West Coast is North America's most dynamic biomass-based diesel market with annual double (and often triple) digit percentage increases in volume. During this session, we will explore the California and British Columbia Low Carbon Fuel Standards as well as Oregon's Clean Fuels Program. With market projections as high as 2 billion gallons by 2025, many within the industry would benefit from additional insight into these West Coast policies.

Speakers: Ian Hill, Cofounder, SeQuential; Ian Thomsan, President, Advanced Biofuels Canada; Shelby Neal, Director of State Governmental Affairs, NBB

Wednesday, January 24th

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

HOT GREASE AND HOT TOPICS | Expo Mainstage | Exhibit Hall A

Sustainability may have fallen out of favor at the White House, but it remains a multi-billion dollar hot button. Hear the compelling story of how Ford Motor Company (invited) is tackling this hot topic. Also, Hot Grease is the latest full-length documentary showcasing the biodiesel saga. Produced for the Discovery Channel, this film premiered in the Fall and has audiences enamored with the industry. Hear directly from the producers how the story came to be and how their impressions of biodiesel and your industry evolved as they invested nearly 18 months capturing the biodiesel tale.

Speakers: Dominic DiCicco, Manager, Environmental Policy and Fuel Quality / Sustainability and Vehicle Environmental Matters, Ford Motor Co.; Jessica Wolfson, Co-Director/Producer, Hot Grease; Paul Lovelace, Co-Director/Producer/Editor, Hot Grease; Andrew Miller, Director of Photography, Hot Grease; Jessica Robinson, Director of Communications, NBB

Thursday, January 25th

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

QUARTER CENTURY AND COUNTING | Expo Mainstage | Exhibit Hall A

It's been an amazing 25 years! Now it's time to look ahead and see where are we going next? What is on the horizon for biodiesel and renewable diesel? Bringing together diverse experts from several disciplines, this Mainstage closing session tackles that question. You'll walk away with perspective and insights you can't afford to miss.