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### **Grants Assist Clean Cities Coordinators Boost Biodiesel Quality Awareness**

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** – In partnership with the U.S. Department of Energy’s Clean Cities Program, the National Biodiesel Foundation (NBF) and the Maryland Energy Administration are pleased to announce the winners of a recent joint grant competition. Nine Clean Cities Coalitions selected will be awarded \$10,000 each to advance education on biodiesel quality issues.

Grant money will be used to develop workshops to educate petroleum marketers, fleet managers and other officials about biodiesel fuel quality and ideal management practices. Federal and State fuel quality enforcement professionals will also be included in these events.

Out of 27 applicants, the nine award winners are:

- Triangle Clean Cities Coalition, North Carolina
- Greater Philadelphia Clean Cities (Mid-Atlantic Region), Pennsylvania
- Clean Fuels Ohio, Ohio
- Columbia Willamette Coalition, Oregon
- Puget Sound Clean Cities Coalition, Washington
- Denver Metro Clean Cities Coalition, Colorado
- Palmetto State Clean Fuels Coalition, South Carolina
- Land of Enchantment Clean Cities Coalition, New Mexico
- Virginia Clean Cities, Virginia

While always an important issue, fuel quality has become paramount for the rapidly expanding biodiesel industry. Assuring that stringent quality control standards are met throughout the supply chain is essential for the industry to enjoy further growth for this valuable product.

“We are excited to work with the Clean Cities programs to address fuel quality concerns,” said Tom Verry, executive director of the NBF. “The future growth of the industry depends on the achievement of high quality control from the beginning to the end of the supply chain.”

The workshops will be conducted by October 31, 2007.

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