



Renewable Energy from Microalgae

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Kent BioEnergy Invited to Present in Beijing at the U.S. – China Sustainable Aviation Biofuel Technical Symposium

Kent BioEnergy announced it was selected to be the only U.S. algae-based company to present at the U.S. – China Sustainable Aviation Biofuel Technical Symposium sponsored by PetroChina and the U.S. – China Energy Cooperation Program (ECP)

The two-day symposium (May 31st and June 1st) is designed to be an information sharing session with key Chinese aviation and energy stakeholders on technical issues across the whole biofuel supply chain. The presenting companies and organizations included, Air China, Boeing China, Chinese State Forestry Administration, Honeywell UOP, Kent BioEnergy, PetroChina, United Technologies, and Washington State University.

"We were honored to be invited to provide an overview of the state of the algae-to-fuel industry – opportunities, issues, hurdles, and key questions – alongside such highly accomplished and well established industry players," said Barry Toyonaga, Chief Business Officer of Kent BioEnergy. "It is very exciting to offer our input on a topic that is of vital importance to the continued development of the global economy. We are looking forward to expanding Kent BioEnergy's relationships further in China and the surrounding Asian territories through activities like this."

In 2009, Presidents Hu Jintao and Barack Obama signed a communiqué which founded the ECP. A related MOU was signed by various governmental organizations, including the China's Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM), China's National Energy Association (NEA), US DOE, US DOC, and USTDA. The ECP had 24 founding members including Boeing, GE, Honeywell (includes UOP), UTC (includes Pratt & Whitney) to name a few. With the anticipated expansion of commercial aviation in China, aviation biofuels strategy is a major component within the ECP focus on Clean Transportation. For this reason, aviation biofuels was chosen by ECP to be the focus of this technical symposium.

Kent BioEnergy Corporation R&D yields unique technologies that utilize microalgae to control water and air pollution while simultaneously creating highly valued co-products including biofuels, bioenergy, and animal feeds. Based on more than 20 years of extensive research, our algae-based technologies use sunlight and photosynthesis to convert low value nutrients into sources of renewable products and energy that will become critical as the world depletes its remaining reserves of petroleum. Our current and prospective partners find KBE's unique perspective - combining practicality with state-of-the-art innovations – a compelling financial and strategic opportunity.