



2023 New Orleans Clean Fuels Congressional Tour

Sustainable Fuels: Building the Ag Economy

WEDNESDAY, April 12, 2023	
2:59 pm	Flight - American Airlines AA4392 DCA to MSY (New Orleans)
4:59 pm	Participants arrive in New Orleans, Louisiana (MSY)
6:00 pm	Arrive at Hotel: Courtyard New Orleans Downtown Near the French Quarter – 124 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70130 - Phone (504) 581-9005
<i>**There are no official events scheduled for Wednesday, April 12**</i>	
THURSDAY, April 13, 2023	
Starting at 7:00 am	Meet in Hotel Lobby for Breakfast
7:30 – 8:30 am	Tour starts in Hotel Conference Room
<p>Welcome and Overview - Tom Verry, Executive Director Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation will review the day’s agenda and highlight what participants will learn at each location during the day.</p> <p>Clean Fuels 101 and Industry Update – Paul Winters, Director of Public Affairs, Clean Fuels Alliance America, will explain how biodiesel, renewable diesel, and renewable jet fuel are made, and review the policies and economic factors that are driving the industry’s rapid growth.</p>	
8:30 am	Depart hotel for Diamond Green (14891 E. Airline Hwy Norco, LA 70079)
9:00- 10:00 am	Visit Diamond Green Diesel
<p>Diamond Green Diesel (DGD) is a joint venture between Valero Energy Corporation (through a subsidiary) and Darling Ingredients Inc. DGD is the largest renewable diesel producer in North America and the second largest in the world. DGD’s current production capacity is 790 million gallons per year. Participants will tour the facility to see first-hand how renewable diesel is produced. Neil Fox, Executive Director and Commercial Manager, Diamond Green Diesel, will discuss the company’s investments and the value the industry brings to renderers.</p>	
10:00 am	Depart Diamond Green Diesel for Bunge North American (12442 River Rd, Destrehan, LA 70047)
10:15 – 11:15 am	Tour Bunge Chevron Ag Renewables, LLC (12442 River Rd, Destrehan, LA 70047)
<p>Bunge Chevron Ag Renewables, LLC is an agribusiness company that supplies raw and processed agricultural commodities and specialized food ingredients to a wide range of customers. Bunge has operated a soybean processing plant and grain export facility in Destrehan for decades. Harrison Lang, Logistics Manager, and Luke Blocker, Assistant Plant Manager, will discuss the recently announced joint venture that would expand</p>	

<p>the facility to support Chevron’s renewable diesel production in Geismar, Louisiana. Participants will learn how soybeans are crushed to produce meal for food and feed and oil for many uses, including biodiesel and renewable diesel.</p>	
11:15 am	Depart Bunge Chevron Ag Renewables, LLC for IMTT (11842 River Rd, St Rose, LA 70087)
11:30 – 12:30 pm	Visit IMTT Terminal (11842 River Rd, St Rose, LA 70087)
<p>IMTT has 19 terminals serving North America’s dynamic distribution centers at both ends of the Mississippi Valley, at both ends of the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence River System, on the Atlantic Coast in New York and Virginia, and on the Pacific Coast. Rene Gurdian, General Manager Gulf Region, IMTT will provide participants a tour of the facility to show how fats and oils – such as soybean oil – are stored and piped to the Diamond Green Diesel refinery and to other locations for food and additional uses.</p>	
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch at IMTT/Jimmy Club (11842 River Rd, St Rose, LA 70087)
<p>Andy Brown, Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation, will discuss Louisiana’s soybean industry and the value that expanded biodiesel and renewable diesel adds. Tom Verry, Executive Director Clean Fuels Foundation will moderate a panel of speakers from biomass-based biodiesel companies: Ag Processing, Inc., Darling Ingredients, Renewable Energy Group (a subsidiary of Chevron), Western Iowa Energy, and ADM will present on renewable diesel and biodiesel.</p>	
1:30 pm	Depart IMTT for ADM/ARTCO (LA-48 Destrehan LA 70047– Mile marker 121)
1:45 – 3:15 pm	Tour river facilities for grain handling on ADM’s ARTCO Crew boat
<p>ARTCO is ADM’s wholly owned river transport company. It operates a fleet of barges, tugs, and crew boats to manage a complex grain handling, storage, import and export operation. ARTCO NOLA General Manager Brent Boeckman will discuss the company’s sustainability goals for its fleet; ARTCO currently fuels its boats with biodiesel in some locations and would use more if it could. Participants will get a first-hand look at the complexity and scale of the grain handling industry.</p>	
3:30 pm	Depart ARTCO Tour Boat for Harbor Seafood & Oyster Bar (3207 Williams Blvd, Kenner, Louisiana 70065)
3:40 pm	Arrive at Harbor Seafood & Oyster Bar for Round Table Discussion
<p>Paul Winters, Clean Fuels Alliance America will moderate the Roundtable discussion. Biodiesel and renewable diesel producers will discuss the importance of federal and state policies. Participants will learn how the industry has grown since the implementation of key federal policies and what happens to businesses when the policies are unstable.</p> <p>Tom Verry, Executive Director Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation will provide closing remarks and preside over an open discussion and question and answer session.</p>	
4:30 pm	Drive participants to New Orleans, Louisiana (MSY) Airport. Tour is completed.
5:54 pm	Direct Flight to DC AA 4392 Depart MSY 5:54 PM CT to Arrive DCA 9:30 PM ET
9:30 pm	Participants arrive in Washington, DC (DCA)