



Biofuels Digest names REG® biofuels industry’s “Commercial-Scale Technology of the Year”
*Renewable Energy Group®’s recent acquisitions play role in commercial-scale
feedstock to advanced biofuel conversion award*

(AMES, Iowa) Dec. 29—In Florida today, Biofuels Digest announced Renewable Energy Group as the “Commercial-Scale Technology of the Year” in its 2010 [Biofuels Digest Award winners](#). The awards, first established in 2008, recognize excellence in the research, development and commercialization of biofuels, renewable chemicals and bio-based products.

According to the announcement, *“Renewable Energy Group® was honored for its novel continuous-flow, multi-feedstock processing technology that has allowed the company to pioneer the acquisition of a wide variety of hard-to-process, low-cost feedstocks such as tallows and yellow grease.”*

“Renewable Energy Group’s fully-integrated procurement, production, technology, service and marketing platform allowed us to incorporate new facilities to more efficiently produce large volumes of ASTM-specification exceeding biodiesel,” explained Brad Albin, Vice President, Manufacturing for Ames, Iowa-based Renewable Energy Group. “Our commitment to redefining quality is key in our commercial-scale biodiesel operations.”

In 2010, Renewable Energy Group acquired six businesses including three production-stage, commercial-scale biodiesel plants and one facility under construction.

“We continue to explore additional opportunities for mergers, acquisitions, consolidations and partnerships in order to actively expand our technology and patent portfolio and meet customer demand,” said Keith Olson, Executive Director, Corporate Finance and Investment Banking for Renewable Energy Group.

The annual awards are voted by the Biofuels Digest editorial board, based on nominations submitted by the Digest’s readership. The Daily Biofuels News Digest is the most widely-read biofuels daily in the world with readers in 200+ countries with a combined readership of more than 75,000.

Read the full list of award winners [here](#).

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Renewable Energy Group® is North America’s largest biodiesel manufacturer and marketer. Utilizing an integrated supply chain model, Renewable Energy Group is focused on converting triglycerides into advanced biofuels. With more than 180 million gallons of owned/operated annual production capacity— which meets or exceed ASTM quality specifications—REG® is a proven biodiesel partner in the distillate marketplace.

REG owns/operates biodiesel facilities in Ralston, Iowa (REG Ralston, LLC); Newton, Iowa (REG Newton, LLC); Danville, Ill. (REG Danville); Seneca, Ill. (REG Seneca, LLC) and Seabrook, Texas (REG Houston, LLC). In addition, the company has commercial-scale biodiesel plants under construction in New Orleans (REG New Orleans, LLC); Emporia, Kans. (REG Emporia, LLC) and Clovis, New Mexico (REG Clovis, LLC).