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Advanced Biofuels USA Sees Conditional Victory in EPA Tier 3 Ruling

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For Immediate Release March 3, 2014—Frederick, MD "It's not the greatest thing since sliced bread; but at least there's dough in the machine," said Advanced Biofuels USA's vehicle emissions expert, Robert Kozak upon reviewing the Environmental Protection Agency's Tier 3 vehicle emissions standards rules released this morning.

"We didn't get everything that we wanted but two items are important," he continued, "1) The new requirement that vehicles be tested and certified using E10 (10% ethanol blend that is standard fuel across the country); and 2) The opportunity for manufacturers to request approval of another new certification fuel such as high octane/high ethanol E30 (30% ethanol blend)." The E30 would be used by vehicles optimized to use such a fuel with future rule-making on the details.

"We have to begin working with EPA immediately to make this future rule-making

happen, and to work on the practical aspects of bringing E30 optimized vehicles, E30 retail fuel delivery infrastructure and high octane/high ethanol fuels to customers," added Advanced Biofuels USA executive director, Joanne Ivancic. "In two years E30 has gone from a concept to a reality. It's in the final rule; a mechanism has been created for its implementation. Now the hard work of making that reality available in the markets begins."

These new federal rules mean that new vehicles will be tested using fuels used by real people in real cars. It also means the US is moving toward less pollution, more use of domestically produced renewables, less reliance on fossil fuels and less reliance on imported fuel.

These details appear on pages 29-31 of the final

rule: http://www.epa.gov/otaq/documents/tier3/tier-3-fr-preamble-regs-3-3-14.pdf READ MORE

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