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### [Senate Passes USMCA](#)

by Erin Voegelé (Ethanol Producer Magazine) The U.S. Senate passed legislation implementing the revised U.S.-Mexico-Canada trade agreement on Jan. 16 by a vote of 89 to 10. The legislation will now be sent to President Trump for his signature. The USMCA trade pact was signed by the three countries in November ... January 17, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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(Solutions from the Land) As discussions on climate change, clean water, hunger, poverty and biodiversity grow both on the domestic and global stages, the role of agriculture in addressing these mega-challenges is filling a growing role at the policy table. Statewide efforts facilitated by Solutions from the Land (SfL) and ... January 16, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Carbon Capture Technologies: Biomass Industry's Unique Opportunity](#)

by Jessie Stolark (Biomass Magazine/Carbon Capture Coalition) Spurred by interest and growing recognition of the role biomass can play in mitigating climate change, project developers and policy makers are putting biomass on the map, but perhaps under a name you are less familiar with—carbon capture. As an umbrella term, carbon capture ... January 14, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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by Donnell Rehagen (National Biodiesel Board/Biodiesel Magazine) ... NBB undertook a formal strategic planning process in the second half of 2019 to ask the tough questions, define the challenges and opportunities, and to lay out a roadmap to achieving those objectives over the next three to five years. So, our ... January 13, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Dems Tee up Climate Plans](#)

by Kelsey Tamborrino (Politico's Morning Energy) The legislative framework that senior Democrats on the House Energy and Commerce Committee want to move this year to combat climate change calls for reaching net-zero greenhouse gas emissions in the building, industrial, transportation and electricity sectors by 2050 — but does not call ... January 9, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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by Jim Lane (Biofuels Digest) A mere "The Year in Rewind" as we sail into 2020? Not the good ship Digest! Instead, we dust off our crystal ball and offer our predictions for the year ahead. As the sunset of 2019 gives way to the dawn of 2020, once again roll the ... January 2, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Finding Environmental Markets Carbon Credits, Water Quality Markets Rebuild for Farmers](#)

by Chris Clayton (DTN Progressive Farmer) When Ohio farmer Fred Yoder testified last month before the House Select Committee on Climate Change, the long-time no-till farmer and champion of climate-smart farming practices told lawmakers one of the best things that could happen would be to get back a carbon market that ... December 31, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Who Is Driving Our Ethanol Policy? And Why Does It Matter?](#)

by Jeffrey T. Manuel and Thomas D. Rogers (The Hill/Changing America) To prepare America for a green future, you have to understand the power politics of the present. — ... But the real drivers of biofuel policy in both countries (U.S. and Brazil) are powerful multiparty blocs of legislators ... December 28, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Economics, Expectations and Exports](#)

by Lisa Gibson (Ethanol Producer Magazine) Ethanol Producer Magazine talked to three experts about the past year, and what they see moving into 2020. — 2019 brought a Reid vapor pressure waiver for E15, but it also brought excessive small refinery waivers and low margins for ethanol plants. The year ... December 24, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Bill Would Create ARPA–Terra, a New Research Agency to Invest in Early Stage Research on Innovative Agricultural Technologies that Enhance Environmental Sustainability, Export Competitiveness, and Crop Resilience](#)

(Office of Senator Michael Bennet, D-CO) Colorado U.S. Senator Michael Bennet and U.S. Representative Cindy Axne (IA-3) announced they have introduced new legislation to create the Advanced Research Projects Agency–Terra (ARPA–Terra), a new agency at the U.S. Department of Agriculture to invest in innovative agricultural technologies that increase economic opportunity for ... December 20, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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## [House Passes Reworked North American Trade Deal in Victory for Trump, Democrats](#)

by Erica Werner (Washington Post) The bill passed by a vote of 385 to 41 and is expected to pass the Senate early next year. — The House of Representatives voted Thursday in favor of a new trade deal for North America, delivering a hard-fought victory to President Trump and ... December 20, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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## [The Bioeconomy Christmas: Uncle Sam puts \\$12B+ for Biomass-Based Diesel, Action on Biointermediates, Cellulosics, and Small Refinery Waivers into the Stocking This Year](#)

by Jim Lane (Biofuels Digest) This week, Congressional leaders announced a five-year extension of the biomass-based diesel tax credit as part of a year-end tax extenders package. As Christmas gifts go, the importance and value of this to the biomass-based diesel universe cannot be overemphasized. No phase down Unexpectedly, the five ... December 20, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [EPA: 21 SRE Petitions Now Pending for Compliance Year 2019](#)

by Erin Voegele (Ethanol Producer Magazine) The U.S. EPA released updated small refinery exemption (SRE) data on Jan. 16, reporting that five new SRE petitions have been filed under the Renewable Fuel Standard for compliance year 2019, up from 16 petitions that had been filed as of Dec. 19, 2019. A ... January 17, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [RFA CEO Offers Outlook for Ethanol's Future at Iowa Summit](#)

by Cindy Zimmerman (Energy.AgWired.com) As the keynote speaker at the Iowa Renewable Fuels Summit Thursday, Renewable Fuels Association President and CEO Geoff Cooper said “2019 sucked” but the industry is focusing



forward now into the “Roaring ’20s.” Cooper offered four predictions for the new decade. 1. The battle over the Renewable Fuel Standard ... January 17, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [USDA Seeks Input on New Ethanol Sales Infrastructure Incentive Program](#)

(U.S. Department of Agriculture) The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is seeking public input to help with the creation of the Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP), a new program that will expand the availability of domestic ethanol and biodiesel by incentivizing the expansion of sales of renewable fuels. “Feedback from farmers, retailers and ... January 16, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Aemetis Acquires Partially Complete Ethanol Plant in Kansas](#)

by Erin Voegelé (Ethanol Producer Magazine) Aemetis Inc. has purchased a partially complete ethanol plant in Kansas. While the company previously said it would convert the facility to cellulosic production, Aemetis Chairman and CEO Eric McAfee said there are currently no plans to build at the site. ... In its third ... January 16, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [IRS Delay Threatens Carbon Capture Projects](#)

by James Osborne (Houston Chronicle) Almost two years after Congress passed a law more than doubling tax credits for power and industrial plants that build systems to prevent carbon dioxide

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### [Biodiesel Economics: The Digest's 2020 Multi-Slide Guide to REG's Biodiesel](#)

by Jim Lane (Biofuels Digest) From GHG emissions and carbon savings to growing public policy support, REG is working hard on improving biodiesel's LCFS value. Check out this Slide-Guide from REG's Director of Government Affairs, Lindsay Fitzgerald's presentation at ABLC NEXT in San Francisco to get the latest on states ... January 15, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Auto Rollback Goes to OMB Review](#)

by Kelsey Tamborrino (Politico's Morning Energy) EPA and NHTSA on Tuesday sent their new auto emissions and fuel efficiency rules to the Office of Management and Budget for review, EPA confirmed to ME. This is the second half of the SAFE Vehicles rule and covers model years 2021 through 2026, ... January 15, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [The RFS: Where Things Stand](#)

by Bob Cleaves (Biomass Magazine/Biomass Power Association) As we begin 2020, I thought an update of the Biomass Power Association's pursuit of electric RINs, or eRINs, would be in order. Last year was big for us, and while we would

prefer for this campaign to be over and electricity implemented ..  
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### [Crude Oil: Has the United States Really Achieved Independence?](#)

by Scott Richman (Renewable Fuels Association) The recent conflict with Iran and its proxies in Iraq has served as a reminder of the enduring potential for geopolitical risk to unsettle petroleum markets – not just globally but also in the U.S. While the U.S. has become significantly more energy-secure over the ... January 13, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [US EPA Sets 2020 Cellulosic Waiver Credit at \\$1.80, in Line with Platts Expectations](#)

by Josh Pedrick (S&P Global Platts) The US Environmental Protection Agency has set the 2020 cellulosic waiver credit (CWC) at \$1.80, in line with S&P Global Platts expectations, the agency said on its website. Parties obligated under the Renewable Fuel Standard can purchase the CWC if they are unable to .. January 13, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Dem Senators Urge Shareholders on Climate:](#)

by Kelsey Tamborrino (Politico's Morning Energy) A trio of Democratic senators urged four major Marathon Petroleum shareholders to exert influence to shift the refining company's climate change lobbying efforts. The letters from Sens. Sheldon

Whitehouse (R.I.), Brian Schatz (Hawaii) and Martin Heinrich (N.M.) to JPMorgan Chase, BlackRock, State Street and Vanguard cited Marathon's push to thwart increasing vehicle fuel economy standards and .. January 13, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Congressional Watchdog to Review Trump Admin's Use of Biofuel Waivers](#)

by Stephanie Kelly (Reuters/Financial Post) The U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) will review the Trump administration's use of waivers exempting oil refineries from the nation's biofuel blending requirements, according to a letter dated Friday, after lawmakers called for an investigation. The so-called Small Refinery Exemptions are intended to protect refineries in ... January 11, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [API Uses Annual Energy Report to Continue Its Attack On Biofuels](#)

(DTN Progressive Farmer) The American Petroleum Institute (API) utilized a portion of its State of American Energy 2020 report to reiterate its complaints about U.S. biofuel policy. "Biofuel mandates distort the marketplace to use products that can damage vehicles," API stated. API maintained that the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) of reducing U.S. ... January 9, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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## [Advisory Panel Slams Trump's Regulatory Rollbacks](#)

by Sean Reilly, Kelsey Brugger, Maxine Joselow and Ariel Wittenberg (E&E News) ... The SAB (Science Advisory Board) also lobbed extensive criticism at the Trump administration's rollback of Obama-era clean car standards. "There are significant weaknesses in the scientific analysis of the proposed rule," the board wrote in its draft report. The clean ... January 9, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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## [LETTER TO THE EDITOR: Every Single Point Ron Hart Tried to Make about Ethanol Was Wrong](#)

by Bob Miller (Destin Log) Ethanol is in fact an excellent solvent and will help keep injectors clean. — I just read Ron Hart's opinion piece in your paper. I don't want to call it ignorant but it is extremely poorly researched. Essentially every point he try's to make is erroneous. We have ... January 8, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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## [U.S. EPA'S Cleaner Trucks Initiative Launches Next Chapter for Advanced Diesel Technology](#)

(Diesel Technology Forum) he Diesel Technology Forum issued the following statement today at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) announcement of the Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) regarding the Cleaner Trucks Initiative (CTI). This initiative will include a future rulemaking to establish updated standards which address

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### [The RFA 2020 Out-In List](#)

(Renewable Fuels Association) RFAEditor's Note: In keeping with a long-standing RFA holiday tradition, our very own Senior Strategic Advisor offers his views on what is on the way "out" as we turn our calendars to 2020 and what will be "in" as the new year begins. The 2020 Out-In List — 2019 .. January 3, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [OPINION: 2019 Brought Some Good Ethanol News for Retailers](#)

by Cassie Mullen (Ethanol Producer Magazine/Renewable Fuels Association) As we enter this new decade of the 2020s, the future looks incredibly bright for higher blends of ethanol. Here are a few of the highlights we experienced in 2019 that will no doubt lead to continued expansion in the new year. E15 ... January 3, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Cutting Edge Funding: The Digest's 2019 Multi-Slide Guide to Debt and Equity Financing Mechanisms for Bioeconomy Projects](#)

by Jim Lane (Biofuels Digest) Money, money, money – a growing bioeconomy needs lots of it. But with so many challenges like a lack of certainty in government programs or a perceived lack of

funds at the company and project levels, what are the solutions? Mark Riedy, Partner at Kilpatrick Townsend shared ... January 2, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [USDA Issues Final Rule for Advanced Biofuel Payment Program](#)

by Erin Voegele (Biomass Magazine) The USDA Rural Business-Cooperative Service published a final rule for the Advanced Biofuel Payment Program on Dec. 27. The program provides quarterly payments to producers of eligible advanced biofuels. To be eligible for payments, the advanced biofuels produced must be derived from renewable biomass other than ... January 2, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [The Digest's Biofuels Mandates Around the World 2020](#)

by Jim Lane (Biofuels Digest) 64 countries have targets or mandates – but how much where, and when, and what? Besides the EU, the major blending mandates that will drive global demand are those set in the US, China and Brazil – each of which has set targets – or, in ... January 2, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [QUOTE OF THE WEEK — Dave VanderGriend](#)

“Locally, a chain of convenience stores has installed blender pumps selling mid-level blends in addition to E10 and E85. Consumers are responding by purchasing nearly as much E30 as E10, resulting in 2.5 times more ethanol sales compared to

E10-only retailers.” Dave VanderGriend laments that this is apparently illegal according ... December 31, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Washington, DC, Is No Longer an Option](#)

by Dave VanderGriend (Ethanol Producer Magazine/Urban Air Initiative/ICM) Mid-level blends are the future of the ethanol industry, and the U.S. government can't be trusted to promote their use. ... An overlooked provision in the recent rule allowing year-round sales of E15 caps ethanol blends at 15 percent by making ... December 31, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [An Opportunity to Focus Forward](#)

by Geoff Cooper (Renewable Fuels Association/Ethanol Producer Magazine) ... I do remain bullish, because I believe in ethanol. It's the right fuel at the right time—and for the time to come. It's the low-carbon, low-cost fuel America and the world need now. As long as we remain committed to the ... December 31, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Valuable and Viable: Changes to the 45Q Tax Credit Increase the Monetary Value of Carbon Dioxide for Ethanol Producers.](#)

by Andrew Duguid (Battelle/Ethanol Producer Magazine) Changes to Section 45Q of the U.S. tax code have made it easier for ethanol producers to take advantage of tax



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### [Why Electric Cars Still Don't Live up to the Hype](#)

by Charles Lane (Washington Post) ... For the past 10 years, I've waged a quixotic counteroffensive against electric-car boosterism, raining skepticism on the vehicles' potential to cure climate change, much less to be the clean, green wave of the transportation future. ... Otherwise, electric cars will be a niche product for upper-income folks. And ... December 31, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [EPA: 6 New SREs Filed for Compliance Year 2019](#)

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### [Common Ground](#)

by Matt Thompson (Ethanol Producer Magazine) The future of liquid fuels, whether derived from renewable resources or not, might depend on a collaboration between ethanol and petroleum

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### [Hydrogen Tech's Diversified Future: The Digest's 2019 Multi-Slide Guide to Hydrogenics](#)

by Jim Lane (Biofuels Digest) Hydrogenics is a unit of Cummins Inc. active in designing, manufacturing, building and installing industrial and commercial Hydrogen generation, Hydrogen fuel cells and MW-scale energy storage solutions. Based in Mississauga, Canada with manufacturing facilities located in Germany, Belgium and United States, the company offers PEM and alkaline ... December 23, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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by Helena Tavares Kennedy (Biofuels Digest) ... Should Santa bring coal for EPA's stocking this year? Do the biofuels and agriculture industries think the EPA just put coal in their stocking? Is it thumbs up or thumbs down from biofuel industry advocates on last week's U.S. Environmental Protection Agency renewable ... December 23, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Ethanol Report on 2019: RFA President and CEO Geoff Cooper Bids Farewell to a Bad Year](#)

(AgNewsWire) To say 2019 has been a rough year for the ethanol industry would be an understatement. Renewable Fuels Association president and CEO Geoff Cooper says it was one of the worst years – if not the worst – the industry has seen in its relatively short history. The best news ... December 20, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [EPA Chief Denies Coordinating with DOJ on Investigation of Automakers Siding with California](#)

by Josh Siegel and Abby Smith (Washington Examiner) Environmental Protection Agency head Andrew Wheeler said he was not involved with the Justice Department's decision to launch an antitrust investigation against four automakers that joined with California on fuel efficiency rules, a move that Democrats have questioned as possible retaliation by the White House. ... December 20, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Refiners Bummed RFS Reset Rule Withdrawn](#)

by Kelsey Tamborrino (Politico's Morning Energy) The refining industry is disappointed that EPA on Thursday withdrew a proposed rule to set a biofuel blending schedule under the Renewable Fuel Standard for 2020 through 2022. The agency said it needs to consider more options, Eric reported. One refining industry source said ... December 20, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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## [EPA Fulfills Another Trump Administration Promise: Finalizes RFS Volumes for 2020 and Biomass Based Diesel Volumes for 2021](#)

Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized a rule that establishes the required renewable volumes under the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) program for 2020, and the biomass-based diesel volume for 2021. Through this action, the Trump Administration has fulfilled yet another key promise to the American people, American farmers ... December 19, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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## [Is Big Oil Feeling the Heat?](#)

by Matt Carr (New Energy American/The Hill) ... In 2016 Big Oil received the gift of the century in a Donald Trump presidency. Despite promises in Iowa to grow the renewable fuels industry and to promote clean air, he immediately set out to do exactly the opposite. He put fossil fuel boosters Scott Pruitt and Andrew Wheeler in charge ...December 19, 2019 [Read Full Article](#)

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by Stephanie Kelly (Reuters/Investing.com) The White House will stick with its current proposal on 2020 biofuel blending requirements, despite anger in Farm Country that the plan does too little for corn growers, according to two sources familiar with the matter. The issue could undermine President Donald Trump's

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by Michael Karlik (Colorado Politics) Suncor Energy U.S.A. has filed a petition asking the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit to review a federal decision denying the company a one-year exemption from the country's biofuels requirement at its two refineries in Commerce City. In a letter dated Oct. 25, the ... January 6, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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### [Valero Energy and AFPM Petition Supreme Court on RFS' Point of Obligation](#)

by Helena Tavares Kennedy (Biofuels Digest) In Washington, D.C., Valero Energy Corporation and the American Fuel and Petrochemical Manufacturers petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court to look at whether the EPA is following the law by not considering past petitions to change the point of obligation in the RFS. Valero and AFPM wants the ... January 6, 2020 [Read Full Article](#)

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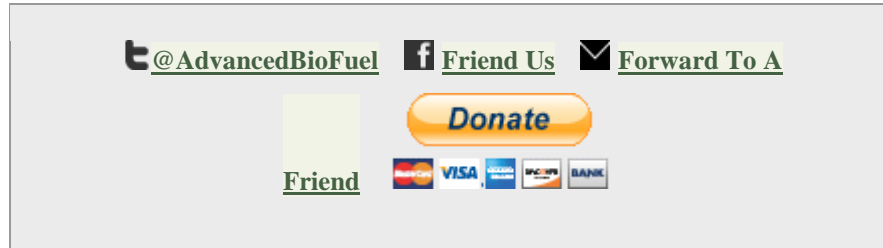
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