

To bring to the forefront the interests of the developing advanced biofuels industry, Advanced Biofuels USA, was founded in Frederick, Maryland. "The goal of Advanced Biofuels USA," said founder Joanne Ivancic, "is to show the American people, decision-makers and opinion leaders that US farmers and researchers together can produce sustainable and economical biofuels that will directly replace all types of transportation fuels including gasoline and jet fuel."

Since that beginning about one year ago, you may have been among the many who encouraged and applauded as we worked to grow into a useful, leading advanced biofuels organization.

### Here's what we've been doing:

# **Inaugural E-Newsletter for Advanced Biofuels USA!**

We'll highlight events that might interest you from conferences to public hearings;

- Advanced Biofuels Development Summit April 20-21. Washington, DC
- 12th Annual Congressional Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency EXPO + Forum May 14, 2009 Washington, DC
- Biomass to Liquids 6th to 7th May 2009 London, UK
- JatrophaWorld 2009 Miami, Florida June 10-11, 2009
- Platts' 2nd Annual Advanced Biofuels Conference June 4-5 Washington, DC
- Salvo Global's 2nd Annual Biofuels Summit. Singapore, May 25-27, 2009.

We'll provide perspective and opinions on issues of importance to the understanding, development, use and acceptance of advanced biofuels; and we will welcome your comments.

#### New Web Site!

A web site that helps people around the world to understand, appreciate, develop and use advanced biofuels—what an idea! We have evolved into a site that is searchable, easy-to-use, comprehensive and ever improving at www.advancedbiofuelsusa.org. Let us know what you think. If there are programs or papers that should be included, please let us know.



Participation at Meetings, Briefings and Conferences As all-volunteer organization, we have been able to provide an educational, visible presence at numerous events.

At Capitol Hill briefings, we ask questions.

- At biomass and advanced biofuels conferences and workshops, auto show policy days and green racing events, we hand out information, bring up pertinent subjects from an advanced biofuels perspective, and create valuable networks with others involved in and interested in renewable, sustainable fuels.
- At private meetings with Congressional staff and federal agency staff, we broaden the understanding of advanced biofuels by decision-makers and opinion-leaders.
- At public hearings, we provide comments from an advanced biofuels perspective. In doing so, we receive confirmation of the need for this educational work. So many people, even those close to the industry and those working on renewable fuels projects, still think of only corn-ethanol and soy-diesel when they think of biofuels. The concept, promise and status of advanced biofuels are rarely well-understood. It is the mission of Advanced Biofuels USA to change this reality.

# Only the Start! Where Do We Go From Here?

We have big dreams—and many of you have big dreams for us! For example:



#### **FORMAL EDUCATION**

• K-12 Educational Materials: we would like to develop, public and distribute (with training) curriculum-based materials geared to subjects crucial to the understanding, development, use and acceptance of truly renewable sustainable advanced biofuels. Topics could include a wide range of life science subjects, as well as

economics, social studies, government and civics. We hope to use the proceeds from training on these materials to offset the organization's operational costs.

- Promoting and supporting "green jobs" training at Community Colleges and secondary Technical Schools.
- Promoting and supporting college and graduate programs in life sciences, engineering and related subjects that will benefit the understanding and development of advanced biofuels.

#### **INFORMAL EDUCATION**

- The web site will continue to play a starring role as a clearinghouse of information, helping this organization educate the broader world about advanced biofuels. It serves as a resource to decision-makers, opinion leaders, journalists and reporters.
- Expanding appearances at conferences about renewable energy, biomass and biofuels will provide a direct impact on those already interested and engaged in the world of renewable fuels.
- Interviews with media representatives on a wide range of topics related to advanced biofuels, on background and for attribution, increases the depth of understanding not only for the reporter, but also benefits those who read or watch that person's work.
- Publications, from Internet accessible materials to handouts at events and expos increase public exposure to the idea of advanced biofuels and provide useful information in accessible formats. We would like to expand by writing articles for publication on other web sites, in traditional journals and news publications.

## **PARTICIPATION IN AND SPONSORHIP OF EVENTS**

Advanced Biofuels USA will develop expertise of its own, and identify expertise in other organizations and individuals, to become recognized as the go-to people for a broad view of the world of sustainable, renewable advanced biofuels. As we grow, we will provide speakers on a variety of topics at focused professional events, as well as at events geared to the general public.





You know that our mission to promote the understanding, development, use and acceptance of renewable, sustainable advanced biofuels is crucial to our world successfully counteracting the negative effects of climate change, to assuring our national security; to getting the most out of our agricultural resources; and to provide for a safe and healthy future for the planet. Advanced Biofuels USA needs your support to reach our goals in this grand effort. Email

jivancic@advancedbiofuels.org to find out how you can be a sponsor of specific projects or – oh, so very important – how you can assure the continued day-to-day existence of this endeavor.

Advanced Biofuels USA will grow along with this nascent industry. At this time, we have a number of openings for volunteer professionals. View our job openings Key among these positions are those involved in development and fundraising. Without substantial funds, we will be unable to reach our lofty and important goals.

If you have any questions or suggestions—or what to contribute to our success in any way, don't hesitate to call me at 301-644-1395 or write to jivancic@advancedbiofuelsUSA.org

Here's to a sustainable renewable future!

Joanne Ivancic
President and Executive Director

## Special Thanks to Those Who Have Gotten Us This Far!

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