



Renewable Energy Group

## **Biodiesel Leader Comes to the Gulf Coast**

### **Plant near New Orleans will produce 60 million gallons of biodiesel a year**

(St. Rose, Louisiana, June 21, 2007) – Construction begins today on one of the largest biodiesel facilities in the Gulf Coast. The 60 million gallon biodiesel plant in St. Charles Parish, located 20 miles west of New Orleans, is being built by Renewable Energy Group, Inc (REG), who will also own and manage the facility.

The REG plant is located on the International-Matex Tank Terminal (IMTT) site and is less than two miles from feedstock provider, Bunge North America, the largest oil seed processor in the world.

“This plant offers a strategic location for the biodiesel industry to grow while supporting the revitalization efforts of the St. Charles Parish community and Gulf Coast,” said Jeff Stroburg, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of REG. “We are proud to partner with the St. Charles Parish Department of Economic Development and Parish President Laque and the Parish Council to create 25 full time jobs at this plant which encompasses feedstock production, biodiesel production, and finished product storage, blending and distribution.”

The plant’s port access will allow for the movement of raw materials and finished biodiesel product through various transportation outlets. REG’s strategic location will help customers, both new and existing, receive fuel efficiently. This turnkey facility will operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and create 100 jobs in the 14-month construction period.

The Gulf Coast plant will expand the REG network and is the third 60 million gallon biodiesel plant REG has announced. The St. Rose plant is projected to start production by the end of 2008. In 2008, REG will have the capacity to market more than 310 million gallons of biodiesel a year.

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### **About Renewable Energy Group**

Renewable Energy Group, Inc. is among the biodiesel industry leaders of B100 sales and is a full-service biodiesel company offering plant management, risk management, raw material procurement, plant construction, biodiesel production and biodiesel sales and marketing services. Renewable Energy Group, Inc. markets SoyPOWER® biodiesel to fuel distributors and to customers in many industries including on-highway fleets, original equipment manufacturers, maritime, military, home heating and agriculture industries.

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