Biodiesel Product Transfer Document Working Group, Fuels & Lubricants Subcommittee National Conference on Weights and Measures, January 2012

Activity Update
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Biodiesel PTD Working Group

- Objective: Develop consensus wording regarding the biodiesel information that should be contained on various shipping documents
- Volunteer Co-Chairs of the Working Group:
 - Steve Howell with MARC-IV Consulting, Inc. and the National Biodiesel Board (NBB)
 - Sam Bell, with Echols Oil and the Petroleum Marketers
 Association of America (PMAA)
- Formed in January 2011 at NCWM Interim meeting

- Mr. Bell and Mr. Howell have prepared a useful background document, "Product Transfer Documentation: Biodiesel Current Status and Considerations"
- It contains background information on the biodiesel industry, ASTM specifications, FTC labeling, various needs or desires regarding biodiesel blend content, biodiesel blend testing technology, a general summary of the input from all parties thus far, and other considerations such as the Renewable Fuel Standard-2.
- It also contains a summary of the various options that have been proposed thus far, as well as some new options.

- The background document was provided to the working group members January 17, 2012
- A conference call of the working group was held Friday January 20 with the following objectives:
 - Overview the background document
 - Solicit WG input:
 - Additional considerations or factors to consider
 - Additional options for wording to consider
 - Outline a path forward for the WG activities

- The WG agreed to secure additional information on State Low Carbon Fuel Standards, particularly California, for the WG to consider
- It should be noted the background document has not been approved or sanctioned by the Working Group or by NCWM
 - It is simply a good source of background information for the WG and others at this point
- It should be noted the options for consideration list is not exhaustive
 - Additional options for consideration are expected

- Mr. Howell and Mr. Bell shared the plans for the WG activities over the next 18 months:
 - 1. Provide 10 minute update to F&L subcommittee at January New Orleans Interim meeting
 - 2. Solicit additional factors and considerations from the working group, as well as options for consideration, at the interim meeting and via conference calls and face to face meetings before the 2012 Annual meeting
 - 3. Report on the status of the WG activities at the Annual meeting in the summer of 2012

- Mr. Howell and Mr. Bell shared the plans for the WG activities over the next 18 months:
 - 4. If consensus is reached, share the consensus wording at the summer 2012 annual meeting
 - 5. Utilize the fall 2012 regional NCWM meetings to build support and additional consensus for the proposed wording and any additional input
 - 6. Recommend consensus wording be moved to voting item at the January Interim 2013 meeting
 - 7. Vote on the consensus wording at the 2013 annual meeting in the summer of 2013.

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