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New Committee Working to Ensure Canada's Renewable Fuels Future

Members Represent the Next Generation of renewable fuels innovation and technology in Canada

OTTAWA, Ontario, March 19, 2013 – The Canadian Renewable Fuels Association (CRFA) today announced a new committee and classification of membership to advance Next Generation Biofuels in Canada. The new committee and its members represent leaders in advanced biofuels with their cutting edge technologies and first-of-kind projects.

In Canada today, next generation renewable fuel companies are in the process of commercializing exciting new technologies that can produce biofuels from forestry and agricultural residues, non-recyclable municipal waste, and special purpose energy crops.

"Canada is building on the success of its established biofuels industry to create a new wave of biofuels facilities that will deliver significant economic and environmental benefits", said CRFA President W. Scott Thurlow. "However, to realize Canada's full green energy potential, programs and policies that spur innovation and foster investment are essential."

One such program is the NextGen for Biofuels Fund (NGBF) administered by Sustainable Development Technology Canada (SDTC) which attracts private investment for the commercialization of the new generation of biofuels technologies following their development, testing, and demonstration. The CRFA supports preserving the current funding available in the NGBF through SDTC and maintaining the existing eligibility criteria for applicants.

The inaugural members of CRFA's Next Generation Biofuels Committee are:

- Enerkem, a Quebec-based company, is developing municipal solid waste-to-biofuels projects in Edmonton, Alberta and another one in partnership with GreenField Ethanol in Varennes, Quebec;
- Inbicon, a Denmark-based company, focuses on the production of ethanol from agricultural residues;
- Mascoma, a US-based company, is developing a project in Drayton Valley, Alberta utilizing its low-cost proprietary Consolidated BioProcessing technology for the conversion of biomass into cellulosic ethanol, xylose, Isopropanol and green electricity.

About the CRFA

Founded in 1984, the Canadian Renewable Fuels Association (CRFA) is a non-profit organization with a mission to promote the use of renewable fuels for transportation through consumer awareness and government liaison activities.

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