

# BIODIESEL TESTIMONIAL

## CLEAN AIR FOR KIDS PROGRAM

The Ohio Soybean Council has announced the Clean Air for Kids campaign, a program designed to promote the use of soy Biodiesel in school buses across Ohio and the school bus Biodiesel grant program made available to school districts.

Designed specifically for the B20 soy Biodiesel blend (20 percent soy Biodiesel and 80 percent petroleum diesel), the school bus Biodiesel grant program will help school districts pay for the incremental cost of using soy Biodiesel in their buses. This will give schools an added cost incentive to use B20 soy Biodiesel, in addition to the environmental and health benefits for students.

Clean Air for Kids will promote B20 soy Biodiesel to decision makers in Ohio's 600 school districts as a sensible alternative fuel that burns cleaner and releases fewer emissions into the air compared to conventional petroleum. This environmental benefit is even more important when considering school buses with children in close proximity.

Several Ohio school districts have already made the switch and are using soy Biodiesel. But one of the reasons that more school districts have not switched is because, on average, B20 soy Biodiesel costs more than petroleum diesel. The school bus Biodiesel grant program included in the budget seeks to address this cost barrier. Through marketing efforts by the Clean Air for Kids program, the goal is to have 100 Ohio school districts using B20 soy Biodiesel in their fleets by 2009.

"School bus fleets provide tremendous opportunity to grow Ohio's soy Biodiesel industry even more. The Clean Air for Kids program will not only give school districts the incentives to use soy Biodiesel, but will promote a fuel source that is cleaner burning for our children" said Dan Corcoran, OSC chairman and Pike County soybean farmer.

Soybiodiesel is a renewable diesel fuel that is made from soybeans, a domestic resource grown in Ohio. Soybiodiesel can be used in any diesel engine with no modifications. It significantly cuts harmful environmental emissions, promotes greater energy independence and boosts our economy.



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