



GTL Resources PLC ("GTL")

Favorable Ethanol Blending Announcement from USEPA

GTL Resources PLC (AIM: GTL), the US based bio-refining company, with a 100 million gallon per annum nameplate volume ethanol plant in Illinois, is pleased to comment on the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) 13 October 2010 announcement allowing 15% ethanol blending (E15), an increase from 10%, in 2007 and newer model year vehicles in the US. USEPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson said "Thorough testing has now shown that E15 does not harm emissions control equipment in newer cars and light trucks. Wherever sound science and the law support steps to allow more home-grown fuels in America's vehicles, this Administration takes those steps."

Richard Ruebe, GTL's CEO, commented "We are delighted with the USEPA formally announcing approval for up to 15% ethanol blends in 2007 and newer model year vehicles (equating to approximately 30% of fuel consumed in the US). This is a 50% increase from the 10% ethanol blends currently allowed for all vehicles in the US. Further, the USEPA indicated they soon expect to rule on E15 blending for 2001 to 2006 model year vehicles (equating to approximately an additional 37% of fuel consumed in the US) when these vehicles finish their durability and emission tests in late November 2010.

We are very encouraged by the USEPA's announcement. This ruling, along with the industry's expectation of a positive upcoming ruling on 2001 to 2006 model vehicles, will allow nearly two thirds of the fuel consumed in the US to use up to 15% ethanol blends, versus the current 10% allowed today. Combined with the 600 million gallon increase in ethanol demand as required by RFS2 legislation (12.6 billion gallons in 2011 up from 12.0 billion gallons in 2010), yesterday's ruling should set the stage for increased future ethanol demand as gas station retailers gradually make the required changes in their tank and dispensing infrastructure to accommodate 15% ethanol blending."

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