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Iowa is well-represented on NBB governing board

Representatives of three Iowa organizations to serve on National Biodiesel Board Governing Board.

Urbandale, Iowa – Iowa Biodiesel Board members are pleased that three representatives from Iowa organizations have been chosen to serve on the governing board of the National Biodiesel Board for the 2008-2009 term.

Gary Haer, representing Renewable Energy Group, was elected as vice chair of the NBB. Ed Ulch, representing the Iowa Soybean Association, was re-elected as NBB treasurer. Denny Mauser, representing Western Iowa Energy, LLC, was also elected to the NBB governing board. The three were elected Nov. 14, 2007, during the NBB annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

“Iowa has three excellent representatives serving on the NBB governing board. Of the 15-member board, representatives from Iowa organizations comprise 20 percent. That’s a good ratio and acknowledgement of Iowa’s leading role in the growth of the biodiesel industry. We’re excited to have our interests represented by these outstanding and committed individuals,” says Randy Olson, executive director of the Iowa Biodiesel Board.

Gary Haer was re-elected to his third term on the NBB Executive Committee. Last year Haer served as secretary, and now becomes vice chair of the NBB governing board. Haer is vice president of sales and marketing for the Renewable Energy Group, headquartered in Ames, Iowa.

“The NBB executive committee is instrumental in creating opportunities and building the industry through consumer acceptance, public policy and quality specifications during a time when exciting and challenging issues and opportunities are ahead,” says Haer.

Ed Ulch, a soybean farmer from Solon, Iowa, was re-elected to his second-term as treasurer of the NBB Executive Committee. He has been a director of the Iowa Soybean Association since 2005 and has served on the NBB governing board for four years.

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“I am certainly honored to be re-elected as NBB treasurer. Now we need to direct our attention to the challenges of the biodiesel industry,” says Ulch.

Denny Mauser will serve his first term as an NBB governing board member. He is a soybean and corn producer from Early, Iowa. On the NBB’s board, Mauser represents the board of directors and investors of Western Iowa Energy, LLC, of Wall Lake, Iowa. He also serves on the board at Central Iowa Energy, LLC in Newton, Iowa; Iowa Renewable Energy, LLC, in Washington, Iowa; and Western Dubuque Biodiesel, LLC, in Farley, Iowa.

“Public policy, national infrastructure development and consumer acceptance of clean burning, renewable biodiesel will continue to be the priority for me and the entire National Biodiesel Board,” says Mauser.

The Iowa Biodiesel Board, comprised of all segments of the biodiesel industry including manufacturers, truckers and retailers, is working to maintain Iowa’s leadership position in biodiesel production and use. Iowa currently has 13 biodiesel plants with an annual production capacity of more than 250 million gallons. Three additional plants are currently under construction. To learn more about the IBB, visit www.iowabiodiesel.org.

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