



# Seaboard Energy Builds Renewable Diesel Plant in Hugoton Kansas

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*The new plant will provide more than 60 jobs to surrounding community.*

SHAWNEE MISSION, KANSAS, UNITED STATES, April 28, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Seaboard Energy, a division of Seaboard Foods and a wholly owned subsidiary of Seaboard Corporation, announced it is building a renewable diesel plant in Hugoton, Kans. The facility is constructed at the former Abengoa ethanol plant site that was purchased in February 2019. Since that time, Seaboard Energy has recommissioned portions of the idle assets while simultaneously building the greenfield renewable diesel production facilities.

Seaboard Energy President and CEO Gary Louis thanked the local community for welcoming Seaboard Energy's renewable diesel project.

"We could not have asked for any better cooperation with the local community leaders. I am thrilled that Seaboard Energy can continue to further develop our business footprint in this area where we first started doing business over 26 years ago," said Louis.

On the 800-acre site, Seaboard Energy is developing a greenfield fat and oil pre-treatment plant, hydrogen plant and renewable diesel plant. The site is also being used to blend and ship biodiesel from Seaboard Energy's other biodiesel plants located in Guymon, Okla., and St. Joseph, Mo.

Louis added, "The facility location provides Seaboard Energy a strategic geographic advantage to capitalize on the integrated supply of inputs from area feedstock producers, Seaboard Foods' processing plant and Seaboard Foods' farms."

The target completion date for the project is Dec. 31, 2021. Once construction is complete, the plant will have the capacity to produce 85 million gallons of renewable diesel annually along with the 8.5 million gallons of renewable naphtha. The renewable fuels will be primarily derived from local animal fats and vegetable oils.

Fagen Inc., is the EPC (Engineering, Procurement and Construction) contractor for the project. Fagen has been collaborating with Ford, Bacon & Davis, LLC.; Crown Iron Works, Chemex Modular and ENGlobal on the execution of facility's expansion. Multiple area contractors have also assisted with the construction of the facility.

Bill Patrick, Seaboard Energy vice president of operations, also announced new local leadership.

“Seaboard Energy is pleased to introduce William Newton as plant manager for the new Hugoton project. William brings 30 years of refining experience to the Seaboard Energy team already on site,” said Patrick.

Seaboard Energy plans to provide more than 60 jobs and has filled the 300-400 construction jobs with as many local residents as possible. These jobs provide employees with benefits, including affordable insurance plans, retirement savings plans and paid time off. They also plan to partner with area schools that have applicable technical programs, which could be tailored to provide students with the skills needed to work at Seaboard Energy or other technical companies after graduation.

In addition to employment opportunities, Seaboard has committed to a \$2.2 million project with Pioneer Electric to upgrade existing electrical power lines. This incremental capacity will ultimately benefit Hugoton area homes and businesses.

#### About Seaboard Energy:

Seaboard Energy, a Seaboard Corporation business, is dedicated to finding alternative energy sources by working collaboratively with agriculturally based companies, including other Seaboard companies, integrating carbon sources to promote sustainable energy projects. The company currently owns and operates two biodiesel plants with a combined annual production capacity of 75 million gallons. Seaboard Energy also produces and delivers pipeline quality renewable natural gas, as well as compressed natural gas. Seaboard Energy’s goal is to produce the highest quality energy, exceeding industry standards and customers’ expectations while supporting sustainable alternative fuels in the communities they serve.

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