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## **Declaration of Energy Independence by Ever Cat Fuels, July 4, 2009**

The Unanimous Declaration of the principals of Ever Cat Fuels, LLC on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009. When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the bonds which have connected them with their energy source, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the ability to produce their own energy to which the laws of nature and of nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all people are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness and the right to produce their own energy. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among people, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any form of energy production becomes undesirable and unsustainable, it is the right of the people to make a change and use new methods to produce energy. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that energy production methods long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shown that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the energy production forms to which they are accustomed. But when after a long train of scientific study it becomes clear that sustainable alternatives may be used, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such energy sources, and to provide new guards for their future energy security. --Such has been the patient sufferance of these United States; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their energy production systems and turn to renewable and sustainable forms. The history of the present use of fossil fuels is a history of repeated injuries and environmental damages, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute energy tyranny over these United States. To prove this, let facts be submitted to a candid world.

- Petroleum imports are at record levels in the United States, and will continue to rise as domestic supplies of oil shrink and demand increases in the future. We currently use 63 billion gallons petroleum diesel and more than 140 billion gallons of gasoline fuel each year with more than 70% being derived from foreign sources.
- Regardless of whose perspective one chooses to believe in regards to the future supply of fossil fuels such as coal, oil and natural gas, it is indisputable that the supply of these fuels is, ultimately, limited.
- An increase in the production of biodiesel domestically has the potential to leverage our use of limited supplies of fossil fuels and proportionally decrease our dependency for energy from foreign nations.

- The burning of fossil fuels over the past century has dramatically increased the levels of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and other “greenhouse gases” that trap heat in our atmosphere.
- Biodiesel, when blended as an oxygenate with petroleum diesel, is especially helpful in reducing emissions from diesel engines in urban settings where air quality is impaired. When used as a pure fuel, research indicates that biodiesel (B100) lowers emissions of carbon monoxide (-48%), hydrocarbons (-67%), particulates (-47%) and sulfates (-100%) as compared to petroleum diesel.
- Use of a less polluting diesel fuel will improve air quality in urban localities and reduce the potential for respiratory disease in humans.
- The Mcgyan<sup>®</sup> process represents a quantum leap forward in clean, efficient technology for the production of biodiesel from inedible lipid feedstocks using no water and producing no waste in the process.
- The Mcgyan<sup>®</sup> biodiesel production process at both large and transportable small scales will enable the widespread implementation of this transformative technology in the United States thus enabling a sustainable and economically sound U.S. green economy.
- The Ever Cat Fuels biodiesel plant in Isanti, MN is the first large commercial plant to use the Mcgyan<sup>®</sup> process.
- Inedible lipids derived from sustainable sources like waste oils, pennycress and algae have the potential to supply us with all the biodiesel the world needs to largely replace petroleum based transportation fuels.
- Biodiesel can be used in any diesel engine with very minor modifications. It is a clean, renewable diesel fuel derived from biological sources that can be used for all forms of transportation potentially including trains, planes and automobiles.
- Biodiesel is derived from renewable and sustainable sources.
- Biodiesel is biodegradable and has low toxicity.
- Biodiesel is environmentally friendly and carbon neutral.
- Biodiesel has a cleaner combustion emission profile than petroleum diesel.
- Biodiesel helps support rural economies.
- Biodiesel improves diesel engine performance and longevity.
- Biodiesel has the ability to be blended with traditional petroleum-based diesel fuel in any proportion.

We, therefore, the representatives of Ever Cat Fuels, solemnly publish and declare, energy independence from petroleum fuels is within our nation's capacity, and swear to work diligently in the pursuit of national energy independence from fossil fuels. If you would like to voice your support for our mission please e-mail us at [support@evercatfuels.com](mailto:support@evercatfuels.com).