



## **A date for your diary: Biofuels Day, Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2008**

### **Bringing balance to the biofuels debate**

The introduction of the Renewable Transport Fuels Obligation (RTFO) on 15<sup>th</sup> April has been dubbed 'Biofuels Day' by the Renewable Energy Association (REA) as the industry mounts a joint effort to dispel some of the myths currently surrounding biofuels.

The REA has combined with a number of other organisations, including the National Farmers' Union (NFU), to mount an information campaign in the run-up to Biofuels Day. Under the RTFO, from 15<sup>th</sup> April all fuel companies will be obliged to replace 2.5% of their annual fossil fuel sales with biofuels. Many people have raised questions about the sustainability of biofuels in recent months. This campaign will seek to correct some of the misconceptions about biofuels, demonstrate what the UK biofuels industry is doing to ensure that only good biofuels are sold in the UK, and communicate other factual information.

Biofuels Day will be supported by a website – [www.biofuelsday.co.uk](http://www.biofuelsday.co.uk) – designed to be a 'one-stop-shop' for accurate and accessible information about biofuels and the RTFO. Consumers will be able to find out what Biofuels Day means to them, exactly what biofuels are, and the contribution biofuels can make to fighting climate change.

Clare Wenner, Head of Transport Biofuels at the REA, said: "April 15<sup>th</sup> marks the culmination of many years of hard work to ensure that all biofuels sold in the UK will deliver carbon savings and make a contribution to combating climate change.

“There has been a great deal of misinformation about biofuels lately, but our campaign will ensure that the public have access to accurate, accessible information about biofuels and the benefits they can offer.”

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