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# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM ☐ Original ☐ Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, by email at [gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov](mailto:gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov), within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.**


1. Name of Traveler: Garrett Auzenne
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** None ☐  
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates: Departure: April 12, 2023 Return: April 13, 2023  
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** None ☐
4. Departure City: Washington DC Destination: New Orleans Return City: Washington DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation 2. Ag Processing, Inc. 3. Clean Fuels Alliance America 4. Darling Ingredients, Inc. 5. Incobrase Industries, Ltd. 6. Innovative Ag Services 7. Minnesota Soybean
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended:  
We received several briefings on biodiesel and visited at each stage of process to produce and bring biodiesel to market.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box:
  - a. ☒ a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
  - b. ☒ the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
  - c. ☒ page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
  - d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. ☒ I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda.  
**Signify statement is true by checking the box.**  
b. If not, explain:

**I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature of Traveler: Garrett Auzenne  Date: 04/21/2023

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee Date: 4/21/2023

Signature of Supervising Member: 



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This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within ten days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: See Attachment A
2. Travel Destination(s): New Orleans, Louisiana
3. Date of Departure: April 12, 2023 Date of Return: April 13, 2023
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Garrett Auzenne

**Note:** You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

5. Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$919.51	\$197.38	\$61.18	\$26.23
Accompanying Family Member				

6. ☒ All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Tom Verry

Digitally signed by Tom Verry  
DN: cn=Tom Verry, o=Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation, ou=Executive Director, email=tom@cleanfuelsfoundation.org, c=US  
Date: 2023.04.21 19:22:28 -0400

Date: 04/21/2023

Name: Tom Verry

Title: Executive Director

Organization: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation

☒ I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: PO Box 104898, Jefferson City, MO 65110-4898

Email: tom@cleanfuelsfoundation.org

Telephone: (800) 8415849

**Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.**

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.



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## TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. **This form, and any attachments, may be faxed to the Committee at 202-225-7392, sent or delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth, or e-mailed to [travel.requests@mail.house.gov](mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov).**

**Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date.** Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Garrett Auzenne

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I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): \_\_\_\_\_

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee

Office Address: Rayburn House Office Building, 2314, Independence Ave SW Bldg, Washington, DC 20515

Telephone Number: 7138052030

Email Address of Contact Person: [garrett.auzenne@mail.house.gov](mailto:garrett.auzenne@mail.house.gov)

☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, *and* these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

**NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.**

**KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM.** Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via e-mail: [travel.requests@mail.house.gov](mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov).



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## TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Garrett Auzenne
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying for the trip: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation
3. City and State or Foreign Country of Travel: New Orleans, Louisiana
4. a. Date of Departure: April 12, 2023 Date of Return: April 13, 2023  
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
If yes, list dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes:  
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age: ☐ Yes ☒ No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)? ☒ Yes ☐ No  
b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:  
N/A
7. *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: ☒ Yes ☐ No  
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.  
Garrett Auzenne, Senior Legislative Counsel for Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee.  
I cover Energy issues for the Congresswoman as part of my issue portfolio and this trip will further my knowledge of the energy sector and my ability to counsel the Congresswoman.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip? ☐ Yes ☒ No
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

### ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member \_\_\_\_\_

M.C.

Date 3/13/23





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## PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should **NOT** submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee website ([ethics.house.gov](https://ethics.house.gov)) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.**

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:  
**Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation**
2. ☒ I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent.  
*Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
  - a. ☐ The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip: **OR**
  - b. ☐ The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds: **OR**
  - c. ☒ The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.  
If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:  
**See Attachment A**
4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary):  
**See Attachment B**
5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of departure: April 12, 2023 Date of return: April 13, 2023
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC  
b. Destination(s): New Orleans, Louisiana  
c. City of return: Washington, DC
8. **Check only one.** I represent that:
  - a. ☐ The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: **OR**
  - b. ☐ The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: **OR**
  - c. ☒ The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. **Check only one of the following:**
  - a. ☐ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
  - b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
  - c. ☒ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
  - d. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:



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10. ☒ Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*
11. **Check only one of the following:**
- a. ☒ I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box; OR*
- b. ☐ Not Applicable. Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
12. For *each* sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip *and* its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

See Attachment C

13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**

- a. Mode of travel: Air ☒ Rail ☐ Bus ☐ Car ☐ Other ☐ (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
- b. Class of travel: Coach ☒ Business ☐ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
- c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. ☒ I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:

- a. ☐ The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
- b. ☒ The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation.

If "b" is checked:

- 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided):

\$74 (full day), \$55 (travel day)

- 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:

See Attachment D

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: Courtyard New Orleans Downtown Near the French Quarter City: New Orleans Cost Per Night: \$169

Reason(s) for Selecting: Best rate and proximity to tour stops and airport.

Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost Per Night: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason(s) for Selecting: \_\_\_\_\_

Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost Per Night: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason(s) for Selecting: \_\_\_\_\_

17. ☒ I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*



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## 18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$890 (\$790 airfare, \$100 local charter bus)	\$169	\$129.50 (\$55.50 travel day, \$74 full day)
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee		
For each Accompanying Family Member		

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## 19. Check only one:

- a. ☒ I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**  
b. ☐ Not Applicable. Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

## 20. I certify by my signature that

- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;  
b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and  
c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Tom Verry Digitally signed by Tom Verry  
DN: cn=Tom Verry, o=Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation, ou=Executive Director,  
email=tom@cleanfuelsfoundation.org, c=US  
Date: 2023.03.06 16:10:03 -05'00' Date: 03/06/2023  
Name: Tom Verry Title: Executive Director  
Organization: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation  
Address: PO Box 104898, Jefferson City, MO 65110-4898  
Email: tom@cleanfuelsfoundation.org Telephone: (800) 841-5849

## INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* and submit the agenda, invitation list, any attachments, and any *Additional Trip Sponsor Forms* directly to the Travelers.

Written approval from the Committee on Ethics is required before traveling on this trip. The Committee on Ethics will notify the House invitees directly and will not notify the trip sponsors.

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**For questions, please contact the Committee on Ethics at:**

1015 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

[ethicscommittee@mail.house.gov](mailto:ethicscommittee@mail.house.gov) | 202-225-7103  
More information and forms available at [ethics.house.gov](http://ethics.house.gov)



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## ADDITIONAL TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by an organization that provides funds, services, or in-kind assistance to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation. Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.

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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation
2. Name of your organization: Darling Ingredients, Inc.
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
  - a. ☐ Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
  - b. ☒ Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to  
Destination: New Orleans, LA on Date: April 12-13, 2023  
that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. **OR**
  - c. ☐ Has provided in-kind support to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor (e.g., meeting planning assistance, meeting space and set-up, and paying for expenses related to this trip directly to the service provider).
6. **Check only one:**
  - a. ☐ My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent **OR**
  - b. ☒ My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
7. I certify by my signature that
  - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
  - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
  - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
  - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Date: 03/03/2023

Name: Michael Rath

Title: Sr. VP Commodities/Chief Risk Officer

Organization: Darling Ingredients, Inc.

Address: 5601 N MacArthur Blvd, Irving, Texas 75038

Email: mrath@darlingii.com

Telephone: (214) 605-1297





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This form should be completed by an organization that provides funds, services, or in-kind assistance to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation. Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.

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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation
2. Name of your organization: Incobrasa Industries, Ltd
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
  - a. ☐ Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
  - b. ☒ Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to  
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that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. **OR**
  - c. ☐ Has provided in-kind support to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor (e.g., meeting planning assistance, meeting space and set-up, and paying for expenses related to this trip directly to the service provider).
6. **Check only one:**
  - a. ☒ My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent **OR**
  - b. ☐ My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
7. I certify by my signature that
  - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
  - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
  - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
  - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Kerry Fogarty

Date: 02/24/2023

Name: Kerry Fogarty

Title: QC Manager

Organization: Incobrasa Industries, Ltd.

Address: PO Box 98, Gilman, IL 60938

Email: Kerry\_Fogarty@incobrasa.com

Telephone: (815) 265-9125



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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation
2. Name of your organization: Innovative Ag Services
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
  - a. ☐ Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
  - b. ☒ Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to  
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that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. **OR**
  - c. ☐ Has provided in-kind support to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor (e.g., meeting planning assistance, meeting space and set-up, and paying for expenses related to this trip directly to the service provider).
6. **Check only one:**
  - a. ☒ My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent **OR**
  - b. ☐ My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
7. I certify by my signature that
  - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
  - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
  - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
  - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Date: 02/28/2023

Name: Rick Vaughan Title: CEO

Organization: Innovative Ag Services

Address: 2010 S Main Street, Monticello, Iowa 52310

Email: Rick.Vaughan@IAS.COOP Telephone: (319) 465-2022



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This form should be completed by an organization that provides funds, services, or in-kind assistance to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation. Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.

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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation
2. Name of your organization: Minnesota Soybean Processors
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
  - a. ☐ Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
  - b. ☒ Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to  
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  - c. ☐ Has provided in-kind support to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor (e.g., meeting planning assistance, meeting space and set-up, and paying for expenses related to this trip directly to the service provider).
6. **Check only one:**
  - a. ☒ My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent **OR**
  - b. ☐ My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
7. I certify by my signature that
  - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
  - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
  - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
  - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Jeramie L Weller

Digitally signed by Jeramie L Weller  
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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation
2. Name of your organization: Renewable Energy Group, Inc. (a subsidiary of Chevron)
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation
2. Name of your organization: Western Dubuque Biodiesel, LLC
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
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2. Name of your organization: Western Iowa Energy
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
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Signature: Bradley D. Wilson

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2. Name of your organization: ADM
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
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2. Name of your organization: Ag Processing, Inc.
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
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Signature:

Date: 02/21/2023

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April 11, 2023

Mr. Garrett Auzenne  
Office of the Honorable Sheila Jackson-Lee  
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Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Auzenne:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to New Orleans, Louisiana, scheduled for April 12 to 13, 2023, sponsored by Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation (F/K/A National Biodiesel Foundation), Ag Processing, Inc, Clean Fuels Alliance America, Darling Ingredients, Inc., Incobrasa Industries, Ltd., Innovative AG Services, Minnesota Soybean Processors, Renewable Energy Group Inc., Western Dubuque Biodiesel, LLC, Western Iowa Energy, LLC, and ADM. We remind you that because one or more trip sponsor employs a federal lobbyist, you may participate in officially-connected activity on one calendar day only.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

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Michael Guest  
Chairman

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Susan Wild  
Ranking Member

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## 2023 New Orleans Clean Fuels Congressional Tour

### Sustainable Fuels: Building the Ag Economy

<b>WEDNESDAY, April 12, 2023</b>	
<b>2:59 pm</b>	<b>Flight - American Airlines AA4392 DCA to MSY (New Orleans)</b>
<b>4:59 pm</b>	<b>Participants arrive in New Orleans, Louisiana (MSY)</b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Arrive at Hotel: Courtyard New Orleans Downtown Near the French Quarter – 124 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70130 - Phone (504) 581-9005</b>
<b><i>**There are no official events scheduled for Wednesday, April 12**</i></b>	
<b>THURSDAY, April 13, 2023</b>	
<b>Starting at 7:00 am</b>	<b>Meet in Hotel Lobby for Breakfast</b>
<b>7:30 – 8:30 am</b>	<b>Tour starts in Hotel Conference Room</b>
<p><b>Welcome and Overview - <i>Tom Verry</i></b>, Executive Director Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation will review the day's agenda and highlight what participants will learn at each location during the day.</p> <p><b>Clean Fuels 101 and Industry Update – <i>Paul Winters</i></b>, Director of Public Affairs, Clean Fuels Alliance America, will explain how biodiesel, renewable diesel, and renewable jet fuel are made, and review the policies and economic factors that are driving the industry's rapid growth.</p>	
<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Depart hotel for Diamond Green (14891 E. Airline Hwy Norco, LA 70079)</b>
<b>9:00- 10:00 am</b>	<b>Visit Diamond Green Diesel</b>
<p>Diamond Green Diesel (DGD) is a joint venture between Valero Energy Corporation (through a subsidiary) and Darling Ingredients Inc. DGD is the largest renewable diesel producer in North America and the second largest in the world. DGD's current production capacity is 790 million gallons per year. Participants will tour the facility to see first-hand how renewable diesel is produced. <i>Darling Ingredients staff</i> will discuss the company's investments and the value the industry brings to renderers.</p>	
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Depart Diamond Green Diesel for Bunge North American (12442 River Rd, Destrehan, LA 70047)</b>
<b>10:15 – 11:15 am</b>	<b>Tour Bunge Chevron Ag Renewables, LLC (12442 River Rd, Destrehan, LA 70047)</b>
<p>Bunge Chevron Ag Renewables, LLC is an agribusiness company that supplies raw and processed agricultural commodities and specialized food ingredients to a wide range of customers. Bunge has operated a soybean processing plant and grain export facility in Destrehan for decades. A company representative will discuss the recently announced joint venture that would expand the facility to support Chevron's renewable diesel production in Geismar, Louisiana. Participants will learn how soybeans are crushed to produce meal for food and feed and oil for many uses, including biodiesel and renewable diesel.</p>	



<b>11:15 am</b>	<b>Depart Bunge Chevron Ag Renewables, LLC for IMTT (11842 River Rd, St Rose, LA 70087)</b>
<b>11:30 – 12:30 pm</b>	<b>Visit IMTT Terminal (11842 River Rd, St Rose, LA 70087)</b>
IMTT has 19 terminals serving North America’s dynamic distribution centers at both ends of the Mississippi Valley, at both ends of the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence River System, on the Atlantic Coast in New York and Virginia, and on the Pacific Coast. <b>Rene Gurdian</b> , General Manager Gulf Region, IMTT will provide participants a tour of the facility to show how fats and oils – such as soybean oil – are stored and piped to the Diamond Green Diesel refinery and to other locations for food and additional uses.	
<b>12:30-1:30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch at IMTT/Jimmy Club (11842 River Rd, St Rose, LA 70087)</b>
<b>Andy Brown</b> , Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation, will discuss Louisiana’s soybean industry and the value that expanded biodiesel and renewable diesel adds. <b>Tom Verry</b> , Executive Director Clean Fuels Foundation will moderate a panel of speakers from biomass-based biodiesel companies: Ag Processing, Inc., Darling Ingredients, Renewable Energy Group (a subsidiary of Chevron), Western Iowa Energy, and ADM will present on renewable diesel and biodiesel.	
<b>1:30 pm</b>	<b>Depart IMTT for ADM/ARTCO (LA-48 Destrehan LA 70047– Mile marker 121)</b>
<b>1:45 – 3:15 pm</b>	<b>Tour river facilities for grain handling on ADM’s ARTCO Crew boat</b>
ARTCO is ADM’s wholly owned river transport company. It operates a fleet of barges, tugs, and crew boats to manage a complex grain handling, storage, import and export operation. ARTCO NOLA General Manager <b>Brent Boeckman</b> will discuss the company’s sustainability goals for its fleet; ARTCO currently fuels its boats with biodiesel in some locations and would use more if it could. Participants will get a first-hand look at the complexity and scale of the grain handling industry.	
<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>Depart ARTCO Tour Boat for Harbor Seafood &amp; Oyster Bar (3207 Williams Blvd, Kenner, Louisiana 70065)</b>
<b>3:40 pm</b>	<b>Arrive at Harbor Seafood &amp; Oyster Bar for Round Table Discussion</b>
<b>Paul Winters</b> , Clean Fuels Alliance America will moderate the Roundtable discussion. Biodiesel and renewable diesel producers will discuss the importance of federal and state policies. Participants will learn how the industry has grown since the implementation of key federal policies and what happens to businesses when the policies are unstable.  <b>Tom Verry</b> , Executive Director Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation will provide closing remarks and preside over an open discussion and question and answer session.	
<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Drive participants to New Orleans, Louisiana (MSY) Airport. Tour is completed.</b>
<b>5:54 pm</b>	<b>Direct Flight to DC</b> AA 4392 Depart MSY 5:54 PM CT à Arrive DCA 9:30 PM ET
<b>9:30 pm</b>	<b>Participants arrive in Washington, DC (DCA)</b>

**Attachment A**  
**Additional Sponsors**

1. Ag Processing, Inc.
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3. Darling Ingredients, Inc.
4. Incobrasa Industries, Ltd.
5. Innovative Ag Services
6. Minnesota Soybean Processors
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8. Western Dubuque Biodiesel, LLC
9. Western Iowa Energy
10. ADM

## Attachment C

### Sponsor Interest and Role

Question 12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

Each tour sponsor is directly involved in the production and/or distribution of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and/or sustainable aviation fuel or is involved in the production of biofuel feedstock. The tour provides participants with a better understanding of the environmental and economic impacts of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and sustainable aviation fuel and supports each sponsor's efforts to create a positive legislative environment. Sponsors have made financial contributions to the tour and have been part of organizing and conducting the tour.

**Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation** works closely with the Clean Fuels Alliance America to address issues affecting the nation -- cleaner air, greater economic development for rural communities, and enhanced national security through energy independence. Organized in 1994, the Foundation's mission is to accomplish outreach, education, research, and demonstration activities for the advancement of biodiesel and its co-products to improve rural economic development, national security, air quality and the environment. **The Foundation is the primary tour sponsor and has overall responsibility for planning, organizing, and implementing the tour.**

**Ag Processing, Inc (AGP)** is a leading U.S. agribusiness with primary operations as a soybean processor/refiner producing and marketing soybean meal, refined soybean oil, and biodiesel. AGP's commitment to the biodiesel industry dates back more than two decades with its pioneering efforts to develop a new market for soybean oil. The cooperative built the first commercial-scale U.S. soy biodiesel plant in 1996 in Sergeant Bluff, Iowa. AGP's operations today consist of three biodiesel production plants (Algona and Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, and St. Joseph, Missouri) with a combined annual capacity of 175 million gallons. As a leading advocate for the establishment of industry quality standards, AGP continues to produce the highest quality biodiesel product available, receiving BQ-9000 certification of its biodiesel production. **AGP has contributed to tour planning and will participate on the tour.**

**Clean Fuels Alliance America.** Representing biodiesel, renewable diesel, and sustainable aviation fuel, Clean Fuels Alliance America advances the interests of its members by supporting sustainable biodiesel, renewable diesel, and sustainable aviation fuel industry growth. Clean Fuels serves as the industry's central coordinating entity for technical, environmental, and quality assurance programs and is the strongest voice for its advocacy, communications, and market development. **Clean Fuels has assisted with coordinating the tour and will be presenting during the tour.**

**Darling Ingredients, Inc.** With roots dating back to the late 19th century, Darling Ingredients has evolved from a small rendering company into one of the world's leading innovative developer and producer of sustainable organic ingredients. Darling's unique broad product and service portfolio is active all over the world, customized for high end markets and local needs. Headquartered in Irving, Texas, the company operates through three segments: Feed Ingredients, Food Ingredients, and Fuel Ingredients. It offers ingredients and customized specialty solutions for customers in the pharmaceutical, food, pet food, feed, industrial, fuel, bioenergy, and fertilizer industries. **Darling Ingredients has assisted with coordinating the tour and will be presenting during the tour.**

**Incobrasa Industries, Ltd.** is a privately-owned corporation that receives and processes soybeans year-round at their production facility in central Illinois. They manufacture and ship soybean-derived products in the domestic market including biodiesel, animal feed, and bottled vegetable oil. The

company's roots and industry experience go back about 50 years when its founders started operations in soybean oil extraction in Brazil. Using the most current technology, Incobrasa is committed to producing top quality B100 and B99.9 biodiesel for use in the United States. Incobrasa has the capacity to produce 36 million gallons annually. **Incobrasa contributed to tour planning and has been invited to accompany the tour group.**

**Innovative Ag Services.** Innovative Ag Services Co. is a full-service farm cooperative, offering a complete line of supplies and services to meet all farm needs. Innovative Ag Services provides value-added products and services to more than 5,000 members in the grain, agronomy, feed, energy and building supply markets. Their 30+ locations are conveniently located throughout northeast and central Iowa, and southwestern Wisconsin. **Innovative Ag Services contributed to tour planning and has been invited to accompany the tour group.**

**Minnesota Soybean Processors** is a 2,300 plus membership cooperative that owns and operates a soybean crush facility and 41 million gallon per year biodiesel operation in Brewster, Minnesota. Their goal is to provide a high-quality feed product for America's producers and a high-quality renewable fuel source. **Minnesota Soybean Processors has contributed to planning the tour and will accompany the tour group.**

**Renewable Energy Group, Inc. (a subsidiary of Chevron)** is a leading provider of cleaner, lower carbon intensity products and services. They are an international producer of biomass-based diesel, a developer of renewable chemicals and North America's largest producer of advanced biofuel. REG utilizes an integrated procurement, distribution, and logistics network to convert natural fats, oils, greases, and sugars into lower carbon intensity products. With 14 active biorefineries, a feedstock processing facility, research and development capabilities and a diverse and growing intellectual property portfolio, REG is committed to being a long-term leader in bio-based fuel and chemicals. **REG has contributed to tour planning and has been invited to participate on the tour.**

**Western Dubuque Biodiesel, LLC** owns and operates a 30-million gallon per year biodiesel plant located in Farley, Iowa. Formed in 2005 by a group of eastern Iowa farmers and businesspeople, the Company has produced biodiesel for 15 years. The Company offers clean burning fuel produced from renewable energy resources, as well as crude glycerin which is used as an ingredient processing aid in cosmetics, toiletries, and personal care products. **Western Dubuque Biodiesel contributed to planning the tour and has been invited to accompany the tour group.**

**Western Iowa Energy, LLC** manufactures, sells, and delivers up to forty-five million gallons of biodiesel annually from their facility in Wall Lake, IA. Western Iowa also owns the Agron terminaling facility in Watsonville, CA. The company is committed to production that makes sense both economically and environmentally for the state of Iowa and the nation. **Western Iowa Energy has contributed to planning the tour and will participate on the tour.**

**ADM (Archer Daniels Midland Company).** Headquartered in Chicago, ADM is one of the world's largest companies in the field of food technology. ADM is also a leading producer of transport biofuels, in particular bioethanol and biodiesel produced from vegetable oils in the EU, Brazil, Canada, and the U.S. The company has an ambitious goal of meeting the world's energy needs with the help of biofuels. ADM recently (June 2022) broke ground, in partnership with Marathon Petroleum Corp., on North Dakota's first dedicated soybean processing facility which will provide feedstock for 75 million gallons per year of renewable diesel. The company also plans to produce aviation fuel, which it publicly announced last year. **ADM is participating and presenting on the tour.**



**Attachment D**  
**Purpose of Tour Location**

Question 15.b.2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:.

New Orleans was chosen because of the proximity of the airport to 4 major facilities that offer a look at different aspects of the advanced biofuels sector. These include the production of renewable diesel; soybean processing and grain export; storage and piping of fats and oils – such as soybean oil – to locations for processing; and grain handling and import/export via river transport on the Mississippi.

**Attachment A**  
**Private Sponsors**

1. Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation
2. Ag Processing, Inc.
3. Clean Fuels Alliance America
4. Darling Ingredients, Inc.
5. Incobrasa Industries, Ltd.
6. Innovative Ag Services
7. Minnesota Soybean Processors
8. Renewable Energy Group, Inc. (a subsidiary of Chevron)
9. Western Dubuque Biodiesel, LLC
10. Western Iowa Energy, LLC
11. ADM



## 2023 New Orleans Clean Fuels Congressional Tour

### Sustainable Fuels: Building the Ag Economy

WEDNESDAY, April 12, 2023	
2:59 pm	Flight - American Airlines AA4392 DCA to MSY (New Orleans)
4:59 pm	Participants arrive in New Orleans, Louisiana (MSY)
6:00 pm	Arrive at Hotel: Courtyard New Orleans Downtown Near the French Quarter – 124 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70130 - Phone (504) 581-9005
<i>**There are no official events scheduled for Wednesday, April 12**</i>	
THURSDAY, April 13, 2023	
Starting at 7:00 am	Meet in Hotel Lobby for Breakfast
7:30 – 8:30 am	Tour starts in Hotel Conference Room
<p><b>Welcome and Overview - Tom Verry</b>, Executive Director Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation will review the day's agenda and highlight what participants will learn at each location during the day.</p> <p><b>Clean Fuels 101 and Industry Update – Paul Winters</b>, Director of Public Affairs, Clean Fuels Alliance America, will explain how biodiesel, renewable diesel, and renewable jet fuel are made, and review the policies and economic factors that are driving the industry's rapid growth.</p>	
8:30 am	Depart hotel for Diamond Green (14891 E. Airline Hwy Norco, LA 70079)
9:00- 10:00 am	Visit Diamond Green Diesel
Diamond Green Diesel (DGD) is a joint venture between Valero Energy Corporation (through a subsidiary) and Darling Ingredients Inc. DGD is the largest renewable diesel producer in North America and the second largest in the world. DGD's current production capacity is 790 million gallons per year. Participants will tour the facility to see first-hand how renewable diesel is produced. <i>Darling Ingredients staff</i> will discuss the company's investments and the value the industry brings to renderers.	
10:00 am	Depart Diamond Green Diesel for Bunge North American (12442 River Rd, Destrehan, LA 70047)
10:15 – 11:15 am	Tour Bunge Chevron Ag Renewables, LLC (12442 River Rd, Destrehan, LA 70047)
Bunge Chevron Ag Renewables, LLC is an agribusiness company that supplies raw and processed agricultural commodities and specialized food ingredients to a wide range of customers. Bunge has operated a soybean processing plant and grain export facility in Destrehan for decades. A company representative will discuss the recently announced joint venture that would expand the facility to support Chevron's renewable diesel production in Geismar, Louisiana. Participants will learn how soybeans are crushed to produce meal for food and feed and oil for many uses, including biodiesel and renewable diesel.	

<b>11:15 am</b>	<b>Depart Bunge Chevron Ag Renewables, LLC for IMTT (11842 River Rd, St Rose, LA 70087)</b>
<b>11:30 – 12:30 pm</b>	<b>Visit IMTT Terminal (11842 River Rd, St Rose, LA 70087)</b>
IMTT has 19 terminals serving North America’s dynamic distribution centers at both ends of the Mississippi Valley, at both ends of the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence River System, on the Atlantic Coast in New York and Virginia, and on the Pacific Coast. <b>Rene Gurdian</b> , General Manager Gulf Region, IMTT will provide participants a tour of the facility to show how fats and oils – such as soybean oil – are stored and piped to the Diamond Green Diesel refinery and to other locations for food and additional uses.	
<b>12:30-1:30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch at IMTT/Jimmy Club (11842 River Rd, St Rose, LA 70087)</b>
<p><b>Andy Brown</b>, Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation, will discuss Louisiana’s soybean industry and the value that expanded biodiesel and renewable diesel adds.</p> <p><b>Tom Verry</b>, Executive Director Clean Fuels Foundation will moderate a panel of speakers from biomass-based biodiesel companies: Ag Processing, Inc., Darling Ingredients, Renewable Energy Group (a subsidiary of Chevron), Western Iowa Energy, and ADM will present on renewable diesel and biodiesel.</p>	
<b>1:30 pm</b>	<b>Depart IMTT for ADM/ARTCO (LA-48 Destrehan LA 70047– Mile marker 121)</b>
<b>1:45 – 3:15 pm</b>	<b>Tour river facilities for grain handling on ADM’s ARTCO Crew boat</b>
ARTCO is ADM’s wholly owned river transport company. It operates a fleet of barges, tugs, and crew boats to manage a complex grain handling, storage, import and export operation. ARTCO NOLA General Manager <b>Brent Boeckman</b> will discuss the company’s sustainability goals for its fleet; ARTCO currently fuels its boats with biodiesel in some locations and would use more if it could. Participants will get a first-hand look at the complexity and scale of the grain handling industry.	
<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>Depart ARTCO Tour Boat for Harbor Seafood &amp; Oyster Bar (3207 Williams Blvd, Kenner, Louisiana 70065)</b>
<b>3:40 pm</b>	<b>Arrive at Harbor Seafood &amp; Oyster Bar for Round Table Discussion</b>
<p><b>Paul Winters</b>, Clean Fuels Alliance America will moderate the Roundtable discussion. Biodiesel and renewable diesel producers will discuss the importance of federal and state policies. Participants will learn how the industry has grown since the implementation of key federal policies and what happens to businesses when the policies are unstable.</p> <p><b>Tom Verry</b>, Executive Director Clean Fuels Alliance Foundation will provide closing remarks and preside over an open discussion and question and answer session.</p>	
<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Drive participants to New Orleans, Louisiana (MSY) Airport. Tour is completed.</b>
<b>5:54 pm</b>	<b>Direct Flight to DC</b> AA 4392 Depart MSY 5:54 PM CT à Arrive DCA 9:30 PM ET
<b>9:30 pm</b>	<b>Participants arrive in Washington, DC (DCA)</b>