



West Linn Paper Company Tests Renewable Diesel As an Alternative Fuel Source

West Linn, Oregon – **June 10, 2009** (Press Release) – West Linn Paper Company successfully completed a three-day test using renewable diesel in place of their existing fuel oil. All indicators show that this alternative fuel, made up of over 90% biomass, can be used in industrial boilers without significant modification and results in similar steam output and operational efficiency as compared to traditional petroleum-based fuel. This was the first large scale industrial use of this renewable fuel in the region.

“West Linn Paper is constantly focused on exploring new and creative ways to operate more productively while reducing emissions, production costs, and overall fuel and energy use,” states West Linn Paper’s Chief Operating Officer, Brian Konen. “Given the fluctuation of fuel prices and dynamics of the alternative fuel market, we are excited to know that we have the capability to run alternative fuel sources and will continue to evaluate new technologies for our production processes.”

In addition to the significant improvement in greenhouse gas emissions, the renewable fuel offers other environmental benefits when compared to petroleum-based fuels. The renewable diesel shows a reduction in sulfur and various particulate emissions resulting in an improved environmental profile and lower toxicity. In addition, the fuel is made from a feedstock that historically would have been discarded as a waste product.

About West Linn Paper Company

West Linn Paper Company is an independent manufacturer of coated free-sheet web paper and is the oldest active paper mill and the only coated free-sheet manufacturer in the western United States. The high-quality Sonoma® and Capistrano® brands are well-known and well-respected in the printing industry for their print quality and runnability. The Sonoma FSC-certified paper line offers the same versatility of our standard Sonoma line with the added benefit of forestry certification. In addition, West Linn Paper’s Nature Web® and Nature Plus® lines deliver environmentally sustainable, FSC-certified recycled papers with 10% to 30% PCW content. West Linn Paper Company products are sold throughout North America and are used for high-end advertising materials, direct mail, magazines, catalogs and book publishing.

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