



# **Detailed California-GREET Pathway for Biodiesel (Esterified Soyoil) from Midwest Soybeans**

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# SUMMARY

## California-GREET Model Pathway for Biodiesel (Esterified Soyoil) from Midwest Soybeans

A Well-to-Tank (WTT) Life Cycle Analysis of soybean biodiesel pathway includes all steps from soybean farming to final finished 100% biodiesel (B100). Tank-to-Wheel (TTW) analysis includes actual combustion of fuel in a motor vehicle for motive power. Together, WTT and TTW analysis are combined to provide a total Well-to-Wheel (WTW) analysis. Because this is a crop-derived fuel, a land use change adder will be applied to the WTW analysis. We are currently evaluating the impacts of biofuels on land use.

A Life Cycle Analysis Model called the **G**reenhouse gases, **R**egulated **E**missions, and **E**nergy use in **T**ransportation (GREET)<sup>1</sup> developed by Argonne National Laboratory has been used to calculate the energy use and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions generated during the entire process starting from farming soybean to producing and combusting biodiesel in an internal combustion engine. The model however, was modified by TIAX under contract to the California Energy Commission during the AB 1007 process<sup>2</sup>. Changes were restricted to mostly input factors (electricity generation factors, transportation distances, etc.) with no changes in methodology inherent in the original GREET model. This California-modified GREET model formed the basis for all the fuel pathways published by staff before July 2008. Starting July 1, 2008, staff with assistance from Life Cycle Associates, LLC, has developed a new version of the CA-GREET model. This CA-GREET v1.8b model uses the current version of the GREET model published by Argonne National Laboratory (v1.8b). Necessary changes have been made to incorporate CA specific factors into the current GREET model. A draft version of the new CA-GREET v1.8b model is expected to be made available for download from the Low Carbon Fuel Standard website in September 2008 (<http://www.arb.ca.gov/fuels/lcfs/lcfs.htm>).

The values shown in this document are from the CA-GREET v1.8b model and are preliminary draft values at this time. Staff is in the process of evaluating land use change and GREET default values to assess areas where revisions may be necessary. The areas that staff may revise include emission factors, energy intensity factors, percent fuel shares, transport modes, agricultural chemical use factors and their shares, co-product credit methodologies, etc.

The pathway described here includes soybean farming, soybean transport, biodiesel production, transport and distribution (T&D) and use of biodiesel (as B100) in an internal combustion engine. The original GREET pathway has been modified to reflect CA production of biodiesel. The pathway documented here includes soybean farming and soyoil extraction in the Midwest, followed by transportation of soyoil to Washington and California. Soyoil is transesterified to biodiesel and transported to blending stations for use in an internal combustion vehicle. Figure 1 below shows the discrete components

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.transportation.anl.gov/software/GREET/>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.energy.ca.gov/ab1007/>

that form the biodiesel pathway including farming, biodiesel production and distribution to refueling stations, and final use in a transportation vehicle.

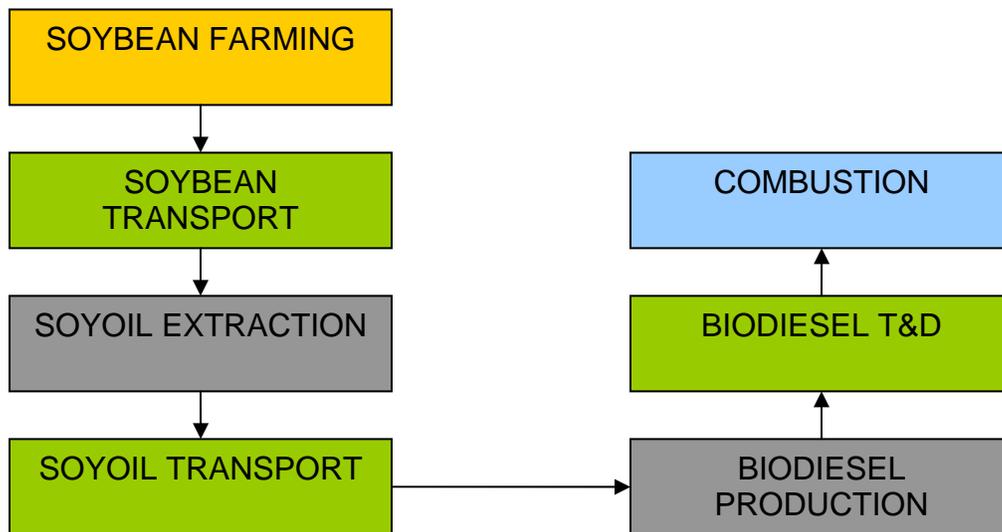


Figure 1. Discrete Components of the Midwest Soybean to Biodiesel Pathway.

This document provides detailed calculations, assumptions, inputs and other necessary information to calculate the energy requirements and GHG emissions for the Soybean to Biodiesel pathway. Table A below provides a summary of the energy use and GHG emissions per MJ of fuel produced. Expanded details are provided in Appendix A. Input values used in calculations are shown in Appendix B.

Several general descriptions and clarification of terminology used throughout this document are:

- GREET employs a recursive methodology to calculate energy consumption and emissions. To calculate WTT energy and emissions, the values being calculated are often utilized in the calculation. For example, crude oil is used as a process fuel to recover crude oil. The total crude oil recovery energy consumption includes the direct crude oil consumption and the energy associated with crude recovery (which is the value being calculated).
- Btu/mmBtu is the energy input necessary in Btu to produce one million Btu of a finished (or intermediate) product. This description is used consistently in GREET for all energy calculations.
- gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ provides the total greenhouse gas emissions on a CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent basis per unit of energy (MJ) for a given fuel. Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) and nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) are converted to a CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent basis using IPCC global warming potential values and included in the total.

- GREET assumes that VOC and CO are converted to CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere and includes these pollutants in the total CO<sub>2</sub> value using ratios of the appropriate molecular weights.

- Process Efficiency for any step in GREET is defined as:

$$\text{Efficiency} = \text{energy output} / (\text{energy output} + \text{energy consumed})$$

- Note that rounding of values has not been performed in several tables in this document. This is to allow stakeholders executing runs with the GREET model to compare actual output values from the CA-modified model with values in this document.

*Table A. Summary of Energy Consumption and GHG Emissions per mmBtu of Biodiesel Produced*

	<b>Energy Required (Btu/mmBtu)</b>	<b>Share of Total Energy (%)</b>	<b>GHG Emissions (gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ)</b>	<b>Share of Total Emissions (%)</b>
<i>Well-to-Tank</i>				
Soybean Farming	66,750	4.7%	4.9	13.9%
Fertilizer/Pesticide/Herbicide	49,451	3.5%	3.2	9.1%
N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions from Fertilizer Use	N/A	N/A	3.9	11.1%
Soybean Transport	14,816	1.0%	1.1	3.1%
Soyoil Extraction	196,069	13.7%	11.8	33.4%
Soyoil Transport	16,774	1.2%	1.3	3.7%
Biodiesel Transesterification	73,868	5.2%	2.7	7.7%
Biodiesel Transport & Dist.	15,626	1.1%	1.2	3.4%
<b>Total Well-to-Tank (WTT)</b>	<b>433,354</b>	<b>30.2%</b>	<b>30.1</b>	<b>85.4%</b>
<i>Tank To Wheel</i>				
Carbon in Fuel	1,000,000	69.8%	N/A	N/A
Fossil Carbon in Fuel	0	0	3.7	10.5%
Vehicle CH <sub>4</sub> and N <sub>2</sub> O*	N/A	N/A	1.46	4.1%
<b>Total Tank-to-Wheel (TTW)</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>64.4%</b>	<b>5.16</b>	<b>14.6%</b>
<b>Total Well-to-Wheel (WTW)</b>	<b>1,433,354</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>35.26</b>	<b>100%</b>

From Table A above, a WTW analysis of biodiesel indicates that 1,433,354 Btu of energy is required to produce 1 (one) mmBtu of available fuel energy delivered to the vehicle. From a GHG perspective, 31.66 gCO<sub>2</sub>e of GHG are released during the production of 1 (one) MJ of biodiesel. Note that land use change impacts if any have not been included in this analysis. Staff is in the process of evaluating these impacts and will modify the results shown here based on the results from the analysis.

The values in Table A are pictorially represented in Figure 2, showing specific contributions of each of the discrete components of the fuel pathway. The charts are shown separately for energy use and GHG emissions. From an energy use viewpoint, carbon in fuel (69.8%) dominates the pathway energy use. For GHG emissions, the largest contributions are from soyoil extraction (37.3%) and fertilizer/pesticide/herbicide production and use (includes N<sub>2</sub>O release) (22.4%).

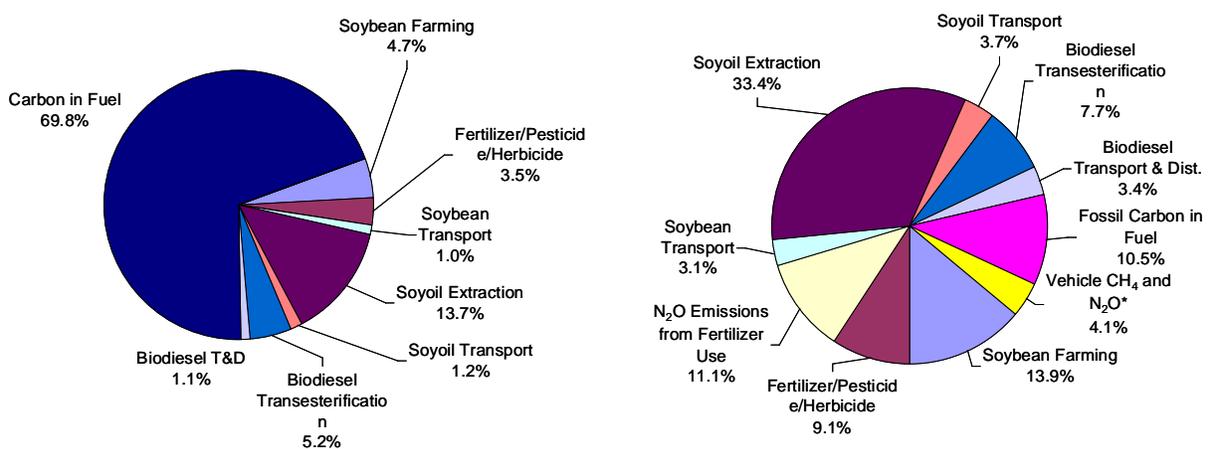


Figure 2. Percent Energy Contribution and Emissions Contribution from Well-to-Wheel (WTW).

The following sections provide a summary of all the components that form part of the biodiesel pathway. Complete details are provided in Appendix A.

### WTT Details - Soybean Farming

The biodiesel (esterified soyoil) production process starts with soybean farming. Table B provides a breakdown of energy use needed for soybean farming. The table shows values both on a per bushel basis and on a mmBtu basis. Table B shows the total energy for soybean farming, and the final result once the coproduct allocation and loss factors have been applied. Appendix C shows the details of this calculation. Without any coproduct credit, farming soybeans takes 161,478 Btu/mmBtu. In a similar manner, GHG emissions associated with the soybean farming are shown in Table C below. The electricity mix used for the entire fuel pathway is assumed to be California marginal mix, which is 78.7% natural gas and 21.3% renewables (wind, solar, geothermal and hydro). Complete details are provided in Appendix A.

*Table B. Total Energy Use for Soybean Farming*

<b>Fuel Type</b>	<b>Btu/bushel</b>	<b>Btu/mmBtu</b>
Diesel	16,442	100,595
Gasoline	4,718	28,865
Natural Gas	1,729	10,578
LPG	1,893	11,583
Electricity	1,611	9,857
<b>Total Energy for Soybean Farming</b>	<b>26,393</b>	<b>161,478</b>
<b>Total Energy with Adjustment and Allocation Factors Applied</b>		<b>66,750</b>

*Table C. Total GHG Emissions from Soybean Farming*

<b>GHG</b>	<b>gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ</b>
CO <sub>2</sub>	4.65
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.19
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.03
CO	0.03
VOC	0.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.9</b>

### **WTT Details-Chemical Inputs in Soybean Farming**

Table D shows the energy necessary for chemicals inputs to soybean farming. They are included as fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides. Detailed breakdown of chemical inputs utilized in the calculations are provided in Appendix A.

*Table D. Total Energy Consumed for Chemical Inputs in Soybean Farming*

<b>Inputs</b>	<b>Btu/bu</b>	<b>Btu/mmBtu</b>
Nitrogen	2,798	17,136
Phosphate (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> )	2,434	14,907
Potash (K <sub>2</sub> O)	2,658	16,279
Herbicides	11,531	70,621
Pesticides	132	808
<b>Total Energy Consumption</b>	<b>19,533</b>	<b>119,629</b>
<b>Total Energy with Adjustment and Allocation Factors Applied</b>		<b>49,451</b>

Table E provides GHG emissions from chemicals input in soybean farming. The fuel consumption and other specifics necessary for this calculation are detailed in Appendix A.

*Table E. Total GHG Emissions for Chemical Inputs in Soybean Farming*

<b>GHG</b>	<b>gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ</b>
CO <sub>2</sub>	3.0
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.14
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.08
CO	< 0.01
VOC	< 0.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.2</b>

REET also calculates direct field and downstream N<sub>2</sub>O emissions resulting from nitrogen fertilizer input. Agricultural N<sub>2</sub>O emissions result from conversion of fixed (natural and anthropogenic) nitrogen in the soil. Fixed nitrogen applied to field crops is either extracted by the crop as a nutrient, absorbed (chemically bound) into organic soil components or entrapped in soil aggregates (chemically unbound). The majority of the chemically bound nitrogen remains stabilized in the organic form in the soil system, while the unbound nitrogen is converted to N<sub>2</sub>O, volatilized as nitrate or ammonia, or leached out as nitrate. Field and downstream inputs are significant components of agricultural emissions associated with soybean cultivation. The CA-REET model includes the impact of agricultural N<sub>2</sub>O release and this is summarized in Table F below. Complete details of this are provided in Appendix A.

*Table F. Total GHG Emissions from N<sub>2</sub>O Release Due to Fertilizer Application*

<b>GHG</b>	<b>gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ</b>
N <sub>2</sub> O	3.9

## WTT Details-Soybean Transport

In the CA-GREET model, soybeans are transported from the field to stack by medium duty truck and from stack to a soyoil extraction plant in the Midwest by heavy duty truck. Details of the energy use are shown in Table G. Soybean transport generates GHG emissions and they are shown in Table H below. Details of all the calculations are presented in Appendix A.

*Table G. Energy Required for Soybean Transport*

Locations	Btu/bu	Btu/mmBtu
Field to Stack	1,424	8,710
Stack to Plant	4,435	27,131
<b>Total Energy</b>	<b>5,859</b>	<b>35,841</b>
<b>Total Energy with Adjustment and Allocation Factors Applied</b>		<b>14,816</b>

*Table H. GHG Emissions Soybean Transport*

GHG	gCO <sub>2</sub> e/MJ
CO <sub>2</sub>	1.09
CH <sub>4</sub>	< 0.01
N <sub>2</sub> O	< 0.01
CO	< 0.01
VOC	< 0.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.14</b>

## WTT Details-Soyoil Extraction

Soyoil is then extracted from the soybeans and the energy use and attendant GHG emissions are shown in Tables I and J respectively. Details of the calculations are shown in Appendix A.

*Table I. Total Energy Use for Soyoil Extraction*

Fuel Type	Btu/lb	Btu/mmBtu
NG	5,506	354,558
Electricity	1,388	89,380
N-Hexane	201	12,943
<b>Total Energy for Soyoil Extraction</b>	<b>7,095</b>	<b>456,881</b>
<b>Total Energy with Adjustment and Allocation Factors Applied</b>		<b>196,069</b>

*Table J. GHG Emissions Soyoil Extraction*

<b>GHG</b>	<b>gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ</b>
CO <sub>2</sub>	10.5
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.03
N <sub>2</sub> O	< 0.01
CO	< 0.01
VOC	0.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.8</b>

### **WTT Details-Soybean Oil Transport**

The pathway described here models soyoil extracted in the Midwest and transported by rail to a biodiesel plant on the west coast including WA and CA. The energy use for transport and associated GHG emissions are shown in Tables K and L below. Details of all the calculations are presented in Appendix A.

*Table K. Energy Required for Soybean Biodiesel Transport and Distribution*

<b>Transport ( All Rail)</b>	<b>Btu/mmBtu</b>
<b>Total Energy for Rail Transport</b>	<b>18,539</b>
<b>Total Energy with Adjustment and Allocation Factors Applied</b>	<b>16,774</b>

*Table L. GHG Emissions Soybean Biodiesel Transportation and Distribution*

<b>GHG</b>	<b>gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ</b>
CO <sub>2</sub>	1.23
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.04
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.01
CO	< 0.01
VOC	< 0.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.3</b>

### **WTT Details-Biodiesel Production via Transesterification**

The soyoil is transesterified in plants in Washington and California. Table M and N provide energy use and attendant GHG emissions from transesterification respectively. For this document, the energy and emission factors are assumed to be CA for production facilities in both WA and CA. Details are provided in Appendix A.

Table M. Total Energy Use for Biodiesel Transesterification

Fuel or Chemical	Btu/lb	Btu/mmBtu
NG	953	59,006
Electricity	117	7,244
Methanol	1,394	86,311
Sodium Hydroxide	42	2,601
Sodium Methoxide	209	12,941
Hydrochloric Acid	63	3,901
<b>Total Energy for Biodiesel Production</b>	<b>2,780</b>	<b>172,127</b>
<b>Total Energy with Adjustment and Allocation Factors Applied</b>		<b>73,868</b>

Table N. GHG Emissions Biodiesel Transesterification

GHG	gCO <sub>2</sub> e/MJ
CO <sub>2</sub>	2.21
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.42
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.01
CO	< 0.01
VOC	< 0.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.65</b>

### WTT Details-Biodiesel Transport and Distribution

Biodiesel produced in WA is transported via barge to ports in CA and then transported via HD truck to blending terminals in CA. The biodiesel produced in CA is transported via HD trucks directly to blending terminals in CA. Tables O and P show the energy use and GHG emissions from transporting biodiesel respectively.

Table O. Total Energy Use for Biodiesel Transport and Distribution, Btu/mmBtu

	Barge to CA Port	HD Truck from Port to Bulk Terminal	HD Truck for Distribution
<b>Total Energy</b>	11,433	3,182	3,220
<b>Total Energy with Adjustment and Allocation Factors Applied</b>	<b>15,626</b>		

Table P. GHG Emissions Biodiesel Transport and Distribution

GHG	gCO <sub>2</sub> e/MJ
CO <sub>2</sub>	1.20
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.03
N <sub>2</sub> O	< 0.01
CO	< 0.01
VOC	< 0.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.24</b>

## TTW Details- Use in a Biodiesel Vehicle

The biodiesel is then used as B100 in a transportation (Light Duty) vehicle. Table Q below provides a summary of CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O from vehicles. The CA-GREET model considers only the fossil carbon in fuel (expressed as fully oxidized, g CO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu fuel), since biologically derived fuel carbon originates from the atmosphere and the net greenhouse gas impact is neutral. The only fossil carbon in biodiesel originates from the methanol (produced from natural gas) used in soybean oil transesterification. This value is also shown in Table Q. The total TTW emissions are 5.15 g CO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ. Complete details of the calculation are shown in Appendix A.

*Table Q. GHG from Vehicles Combusting Biodiesel (B100 Blend)*

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O from Vehicle = 1.46 g CO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ</b> <b>Fossil Carbon in BD = 3.7 g CO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ</b> <b>Total TTW = 5.16 g CO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ</b></p>
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# APPENDIX A

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# **SECTION 1. DETAILED ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND GHG EMISSIONS CALCULATION OF SOYBEAN FARMING**

## 1.1 Soybean Farming Energy Consumption

The first step in the soybean to biodiesel pathway is farming. There are two main components of the farming step: direct farming and fertilizer/pesticide/herbicide use. Each is discussed in this section.

Rather than assuming a “farming efficiency”, the direct farming energy use is specified in terms of Btu/bushel. A GREET 1.8 default value of 22,087 Btu/bushel has been used in this document. This total energy consumption is split into four different fuel types, resulting in direct energy consumption by fuel as shown in Table 1.1. The electricity mix assumed for feedstock production and all steps of the biodiesel pathway is a California marginal mix, comprised of 78.7% natural gas and 21.3% renewables (wind, solar, geothermal and hydro). In reality, soybean cultivation in the Midwest uses a Midwest electricity mix, in which coal is the dominant feedstock, but electricity is such a small component of feedstock production that the difference is minor.

*Table 1.1. Calculation of Direct Energy Consumption (Btu/bushel) in Soybean Farming*

Process Fuel Type	Fuel Shares	Relationship of Recovery Efficiency (0.972) and Fuel Shares	Direct Energy Consumption, Btu/bushel
Diesel	64.4%	0.644 * 22,087	14,224
Gasoline	17.8%	0.178 * 22,087	3,931
Natural Gas	7.3%	0.073 * 22,087	1,612
Liquid Petroleum Gas	7.6%	0.076 * 22,087	1,679
Electricity	2.9%	0.029 * 22,087	641
<b>Total Direct Energy Consumption Soybean Farming</b>			<b>22,087</b>

To convert the total direct energy shown in Table 1.1 from Btu/bushel to Btu/mmBtu, a conversion factor is calculated using values shown in Table 1.2.

*Table 1.2 Biodiesel Energy Conversion*

Soybean Yield (lb/bushel)	Soybean to Soy Oil (lb soybean/lb oil)	Soy Oil to Biodiesel (lb oil/lb BD)	Biodiesel Density (g/gal)	Biodiesel LHV (Btu/gal)
60	5.7	1.04	3,361	119,550

Using values shown in Table 1.2, we calculate:

mmBtu Biodiesel/bushel soybeans = 60 lb soybeans/bushel / 5.7 lb soybean/lb oil / 1.04 lb oil/lb BD \* 454 g/lb / 3361 g BD/gal \* 119,550 Btu/gal / 10<sup>6</sup> Btu/mmBtu = 0.163448 mmBtu BD/bushel soybeans (all the significant figures are required to accurately match the computer generated results).

The values provided in Table 1.1 are direct energy consumption per bushel of soybean collected for the farming step. This is not the total energy required however, since

GREET accounts for the “upstream” energy associated with each of the fuels utilized to make biodiesel. Upstream energy refers to the process energy necessary to produce the fuel that is utilized in the soybean farming operation. For example, 14,224 Btu of diesel fuel are required to make a bushel of soybean. The total energy associated with the 14,224 Btu of diesel fuel includes the energy to recover the crude and refine it to diesel fuel (or Well-to-Tank energy). Specific details of the calculations are shown in Table 1.4 using factors shown in Table 1.3.

*Table 1.3 Energy Consumption in the WTT process and Specific Energy of Fuel Components Used as GREET Default*

	<b>E:WTT energy (Btu input/Btu product)</b>	<b>S: Specific Energy (Btu input/Btu product)</b>
<b>Crude</b>	$E_{CR} = 27,778$	$S_{CR} = 1 + E_{CR}/10^6$
	$E_C = E_{CR} * \text{Loss Factor}_{T\&D} + E_{C\ T\&D} + E_{CS} = 27,778 * 1 + 3,400 = 31,180$	
<b>Res Oil</b>	$E_{ResOil} = 73,672$	$S_{Res\ Oil} = 1 + (E_C * \text{Loss Factor}_{Crude} + E_{ResOil}) / 10^6$
<b>Conventional Diesel</b>	$E_{diesel} = 124,732$	$S_{Diesel} = 1 + (E_C * \text{Loss Factor}_{Diesel} + E_{Diesel}) / 10^6$
<b>Conventional Gasoline</b>	$E_{Gasoline} = 168,878$	$S_{Gasoline} = 1 + (E_C * \text{Loss Factor}_{Gasoline} + E_{Gasoline}) / 10^6$
<b>NG</b>	$E_{NG} = (E_{NG\ Rec} + E_{NG\ Proc} * \text{Loss Factor}_{NG} + E_{T\&D}) = 72,449$	$S_{NG} = 1 + E_{NG}/10^6$
NG Recovery	$E_{NG\ Rec} = 31,088$	
NG Processing	$E_{NG\ Proc} = 31,741$	
NG T&D	$E_{NG\ T\&D} = 9,344$	
<b>LPG</b>	$E_{LPG} = 75,294$	$S_{LPG} = 1 + E_{LPG}/10^6$
<b>Coal</b>	$E_{coal} = 19,751$	$S_{Coal} = 1 + E_{coal}/10^6$
<b>Uranium</b>	$E_{uranium} = 1,188,734$	$S_{uranium} = 1 + E_{uranium} / (6.926 * 1000 * 3412)$
<b>Electricity</b>		$S_{Electricity} = (E_{efeedstock} + E_{efuel}) / 10^6$
as Feedstock	$E_{efeedstock} = 149,533$	
as Fuel	$E_{efuel} = 2,366,278$	
<b>Still Gas</b>	$E_C = 31,180$	$S_C = (1 + E_C) / 10^6$

Note: Loss Factors are as follows: Crude: 1.0; Diesel: 1.00004409; Gasoline: 1.00081329 ;NG: 1.00515; LPG: 1.0001156.  $E_{CR}$  is the energy used for crude recovery,  $E_c$  represents energy use for crude processing.

*Table 1.4. Calculation of Soybean Farming Total Adjusted Energy Consumption from Direct Energy Consumption*

Fuel Type	Formula	Description	Total Btu/bu
Diesel	$14,224 + 14,224 * (31,180 * 1.0000441 + 124,732) / 10^6$	14,224 Btu of direct conventional diesel used per bushel soybean. (Table 1.1)	16,442
		energy to recover crude is 31,180 <sup>1</sup> Btu/Btu crude (Table 1.3)	
		Conventional diesel fuel loss factor is 1.00004409 (Table 1.3)	
		Energy to produce conventional diesel 124,732 Btu/Btu (Table 1.3)	
Gasoline	$3,931 + 3,931 * (31,180 * 1.000813 + 168,878) / 10^6$	3,931 Btu of direct conventional gasoline used per bushel soybean (Table 1.1)	4,718
		Conventional gasoline fuel loss factor is 1.00081329	
		Energy to produce gasoline 168,878 Btu/Btu (Table 1.3)	
Natural Gas	$1,612 * (1 + 72,449 / 10^6)$	1,612 Btu/bu of direct NG use (Table 1.1)	1,729
		Energy to produce NG 72,449 Btu/Btu	
Liquid Petroleum Gas	$1,679 * [0.40 * (1 + (31,180 * 1.000116 + 75,294) / 10^6) + 0.60 * ((1 + (72,449 * 1.000 + 69,300) / 10^6))]$	1,679 Btu/bu of direct LPG use (Table 1.1)	1,893
		1.0001156 is the petroleum LPG loss factor.	
		energy to recover crude is 31,180 <sup>1</sup> Btu/Btu crude (Table 1.3)	
		Energy to produce LPG from crude 75,294 Btu/Btu (Table 1.3)	
		Energy to produce NG is 72,449 Btu/Btu (Table 1.3)	
		Energy to compress NG is 69,300 Btu/Btu (GREET default)	
Electricity	$641 (149,533 + 2,366,278) / 10^6$	641 Btu/bu of direct electricity used (Table 1.1)	1,611
		149,533 Btu of energy used to recover and transport sufficient feedstock to generate 1 mmBtu electricity (Table 1.3)	
		2,366,278 Btu used as fuel to produce 1 mmBtu electricity (Table 1.3)	
Total energy due to soybean farming, Btu/bushel			26,393
Total energy due to soybean farming, Btu/mmBtu = 26,393 Btu/bu / 0.163448			161,478
<b>Total adjusted energy</b> due to soybean farming, Btu/mmBtu = 161,478 * 45.7% * 90.5% * 1.000039			<b>66,750</b>

<sup>1</sup> Well-to-Tank energies for fuels (crude, NG, LPG, etc.) are extracted from the relevant fuel tab in CA-GREET at the bottom in the summary section.

Note: To convert from Btu/bu to Btu/mmBtu, divide by 0.163448; 1.000039 is the loss factor associated with BD transport.

The adjusted energy takes into account the co-products as follows: 45.7% is the soybean oil extraction energy allocation to soy oil (the balance is allocated to soybean meal), 90.5% is fuel production energy allocation (the balance is allocated to co-products). More information on co-product calculations can be found in Appendix C.

The calculations in Table 1.4 above and others rely on Well-to-Tank energy results for all fuels used in the various steps of the biodiesel pathway. For example, in Table 1.4 the diesel calculation uses the crude recovery WTT energy (31,180 Btu/Btu) and diesel production WTT energy (124,732 Btu/Btu); The LPG calculation uses WTT values (1,679 and 75,294 Btu/Btu) for LPG produced from petroleum and and the WTT values (72,449 and 69,300 Btu/Btu) for LPG produced from NG. These values are extracted from the summary section of each individual fuel tab in the CA-GREET model. As with the WTT energy values, the emission tables in the following sections use the WTT emissions values, extracted from GREET in the same manner.

In the last row of the above table, the soybean farming energy in Btu/mmBtu biodiesel is proportionalized by:

- a) The oil energy share (45.7%) of total oil extraction energy system (including oil and soybean meal) and;
- b) the biodiesel energy share (90.5%) of the overall transesterification system (including biodiesel and glycerin).

The equations below to see how these allocations are determined in GREET. Soy oil energy share of total soy oil plus soybean meal system:

$$\frac{16,000 \text{ Btu/lb oil}}{[(16,000 \text{ Btu/lb oil}) + (4,246 \text{ Btu/lb meal})(4.48 \text{ lbs meal/lb oil})]} = 45.7\%$$

Biodiesel energy share of total biodiesel plus glycerin transesterification system:

$$\frac{16,149 \text{ Btu/lb BD}}{[(16,149 \text{ Btu/lb BD}) + (7,979 \text{ Btu/lb gly})(0.213 \text{ lbs gly/lb BD})]} = 90.5\%$$

Where BD = biodiesel, meal = soybean meal and gly = glycerin

All values used above are GREET default values. This includes:

- a) LHV for soyoil = 16,000 Btu/lb oil
- b) LHV for soymeal = 4,246 Btu/lb meal
- c) Production ratio of soybean meal to oil = 4.48 lbs meal/lb oil

- d) LHV for BD = 16,149 Btu/lb BD
- e) LHV for glycerin = 7,979 Btu/lb glycerin
- f) Production ratio of glycerin to BD = 0.213 lb glycerin/lb BD

This implies that the soybean meal resulting from oil extraction contains 54.3% of the energy of feedstock throughput and glycerin contains 9.5% of the energy of the total biodiesel plus glycerin products. It is necessary to multiply the farming energy by the product of the co-product energy shares to correctly allocate energy and emissions to fuel production since there are two separate components of fuel production.

Note that these “sub-system” allocation factors are only used to allocate energy and emissions for feedstock production; the allocation factor used to allocate energy and emissions for fuel production is based on the energy balance of the entire product system (see Section 2.1)

### 1.2 GHG Emissions from Soybean Farming

GHG emissions are calculated in two steps: direct emissions and upstream emissions. The direct emissions are simply the direct fuel consumption multiplied by the appropriate emission factor. Upstream emissions are the emissions associated with recovery, processing and transport of the fuel. Table 1.5 provides the equipment shares for each fuel type consumed and the corresponding emission factors. The diesel tractor emission factors are from ARB’s offroad model. GREET default values are also shown.

*Table 1.5 Emission Factors for Fuel Combustion, g/mmBtu (LHV)*

	<b>Equipment Type</b>	<b>Equipment Shares</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>
Diesel	Tractor	80%	69.245	363.200	0.630	0.920	77,411
Diesel	Engine	20%	70.440	360.996	3.940	2.000	77,401
Gasoline	Tractor	100%	103.868	544.800	5.193	1.104	75,645
Natural Gas	Reciprocating Engine	100%	41.120	342.445	368.940	1.500	56,551
LPG	Boiler	100%	1.890	10.800	1.080	4.9	68,036

Direct emissions are calculated by multiplying the direct fuel consumption (provided in Table 1.1) by the above emission factors and are provided in Table 1.6.

*Table 1.6 Soybean Farming Direct Emissions, g/bushel*

	<b>Equipment Type</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>
Diesel	Tractor	0.79	4.13	0.007	0.010	881
Diesel	Engine	0.20	1.03	0.011	0.006	220
Gasoline	Tractor	0.41	2.14	0.020	0.004	297
Natural Gas	Reciprocating Engine	0.07	0.55	0.595	0.002	91
LPG	Boiler	0.00	0.02	0.002	0.008	114
<b>Total Direct</b>		<b>1.47</b>	<b>7.87</b>	<b>0.64</b>	<b>0.03</b>	<b>1,604</b>

In addition to the direct farming emissions, the emissions associated with recovery, processing and transport of the direct fuel used must be included. The calculation methodology for quantifying the upstream emissions for CO<sub>2</sub> are provided in Table 1.8, with CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors for each fuel producing process shown in Table 1.7. Upstream emissions for all pollutants are summarized in Table 1.9.

Table 1.7 CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factors for all Fuel Contributions to the Fuel Cycles by GREET Default

	<b>EF:WTT CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factor (g CO<sub>2</sub> /mmBtu fuel output)</b>	<b>SE: Specific Emission (g CO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu fuel output)</b>
<b>Crude</b>	$EF_{CR} = 2,634$	$SE_{CR} = 1+EF_{CR}/10^6$
	$EF_C = EF_{CR} * LF_{T\&D} + EF_{T\&D} + EF_{CS} + (\text{VOC, CO conversion}) = 2,926$	
<b>Residual Oil</b>	$EF_{ResOil} = 5,386$	$SE_{Res Oil} = 1+(EF_C * \text{Loss Factor}_{Crude} + EF_{ResOil}) / 10^6$
<b>Conventional Diesel</b>	$EF_{diesel} = 9,016$	$SE_{Diesel} = 1+(EF_C * \text{Loss Factor}_{Diesel} + EF_{Diesel}) / 10^6$
<b>Conventional Gasoline</b>	$EF_{Gasoline} = 11,638$	$SE_{Gasoline} = 1+(EF_C * \text{Loss Factor}_{Gasoline} + EF_{Gasoline}) / 10^6$
<b>NG</b>	$EF_{NG} = (EF_{NG Rec} + EF_{NG Proc} * \text{Loss Factor} + E_{T\&D} + EF_{Non-combustion} + (\text{VOC, CO conversion})) = 5,095$	$SE_{NG} = 1+EF_{NG}/10^6$
NG Recovery	$E_{NG Rec} = 1,695$	
NG Processing	$E_{NG Proc} = 1,786$	
NG T&D	$E_{NG T\&D} = 326$	
NG non-combustion	$E_{NG non-combustion} = 1,237$	
<b>Coal</b>	$EF_{coal} = 1,485$	$SE_{Coal} = 1+EF_{coal}/10^6$
<b>Uranium</b>	$EF_{uranium} = 66,082$	$SE_{uranium} = 1+EF_{uranium}/(6.926*1000*3412)$
<b>Electricity</b>		$SE_{Electricity} = (EF_{feedstock} + EF_{efuel}) / 10^6$
as Feedstock	$EF_{feedstock} = 10,754$	
as Fuel	$EF_{efuel} = 124,274$	
<b>Still Gas</b>	$EF_C = 2,987$	$SE_C = (1+EF_C) / 10^6$

Note: See Table 1.3 for Loss Factors

*Table 1.8 Calculation of Upstream CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Direct Farming Energy Consumption*

Fuel Type	Formula	Description	g/bu
Diesel	$14,224 * (2,926 * 1.000044 + 9,016) / 10^6$	14,224 Btu/bu of direct diesel used (Table 1.1)	170
		Crude recovery CO <sub>2</sub> emissions are 2,962 <sup>1</sup> g/mmBtu (Table 1.7)	
		Diesel loss factor is 1.000044	
		CO <sub>2</sub> emissions from producing diesel are 9,016 g/mmBtu	
Gasoline	$3,931 * (2,926 * 1.000813 + 11,638) / 10^6$	3,931 Btu/bu of direct gasoline used (Table 1.1)	57
		Gasoline loss factor is 1.0001813	
		CO <sub>2</sub> emissions to produce gasoline 11,638 g/mmBtu (from Table 1.7)	
Natural Gas	$1,612 * 5,095 / 10^6$	1,612 Btu/bu of direct natural gas used (Table 1.1)	8
		Natural gas recovery CO <sub>2</sub> emissions are 5,095 g/mmBtu	
LPG	$1,679 * ((2,926 * 1.000116 + 5,488 + 4,781 * 1.000058 + 3,055) / 2) / 10^6$	This formula assumes half of the LPG comes from petroleum and the other half from LNG. 1,679 Btu of direct LPG used per bushel of soybeans produced (Table 1.1)	14
		The crude recovery CO <sub>2</sub> emissions are 2,926 g/mmBtu	
		CO <sub>2</sub> emissions to produce LPG from petroleum 5,488 g/mmBtu	
		CO <sub>2</sub> emissions from production of NG for LNG is 4,781	
		LPG to NG loss factor is 1.000058	
		The emissions associated with producing LPG from NG are 3,055 g/mmBtu.	
Electricity	$641 * (10,754 + 124,274) / 10^6$	641 Btu of electricity consumed per bushel of soybeans produced (Table 1.1)	86
		CO <sub>2</sub> emissions associated with electricity feedstock and transport is 10,754 g/mmBtu (Table 1.7)	
		CO <sub>2</sub> emissions associated with electricity as fuel is 124,274 g/mmBtu (Table 1.7)	
<b>Total</b>			<b>335</b>

<sup>1</sup> Well-to-Tank CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for fuels (crude, NG, LPG, etc.) are extracted from the relevant fuel tab in GREET at the bottom in the summary section.

Upstream emissions are provided in Table 1.9. Table 1.10 shows the combined direct + upstream emissions in g/bu, converted to g/mmBtu and with allocation and loss factors applied.

*Table 1.9 Summary of Upstream Emissions From Soybean Farming, gCO<sub>2</sub>/bu*

	<b>Equipment Type</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>
Diesel	Tractor	0.083	0.124	1.148	0.002	136
Diesel	Engine	0.021	0.031	0.287	0.001	34
Gasoline	Tractor	0.104	0.052	0.414	0.001	57
Natural Gas	Reciprocating Engine	0.009	0.013	0.310	0.000	8
LPG	Boiler	0.016	0.017	0.185	0.000	14
Electricity		0.012	0.044	0.240	0.002	86
<b>Total Upstream</b>		<b>0.245</b>	<b>0.281</b>	<b>2.584</b>	<b>0.006</b>	<b>335</b>

Table 1.10 Summary of Total (Direct + Upstream) Emissions from Soybean Farming

	<b>VOC</b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/bu)</b>	<b>CO</b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/bu)</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/bu)</b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/bu)</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/bu)</b>
Diesel Tractor	1.071	5.284	1.167	0.019	1237
Diesel Engine	1.009	5.191	0.305	0.017	1135
Gasoline Tractor	0.512	2.194	0.434	0.005	355
Natural Gas Engine	0.076	0.565	0.905	0.003	99
LPG Boiler	0.019	0.036	0.187	0.008	128
Electricity	0.012	0.044	0.240	0.002	86
Total Emissions	2.700	13.313	3.238	0.054	3040
	<b>VOC</b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu)</b>	<b>CO</b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu)</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu)</b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu)</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b> <b>(gCO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu)</b>
Diesel Tractor	5.330	26.043	7.069	0.079	6,221
Diesel Engine	1.353	6.472	1.825	0.038	1,555
Gasoline Tractor	3.133	13.421	2.655	0.033	2,170
Natural Gas Engine	0.463	3.457	5.538	0.016	608
LPG Boiler	0.118	0.218	1.142	0.051	782
Electricity	0.074	0.268	1.466	0.012	529
Total Emissions	10.472	49.880	19.696	0.230	11,865

Note: 1 mmBtu = (1/1055) MJ

To convert from Btu/bu to Btu/mmBtu, divide by 0.163448

To calculated adjusted energy multiply by 45.7%\*90.5%\*1.000039

Table 1.11. Summary of Total (Direct + Upstream) Emissions from Soybean Farming (gCO<sub>2</sub>/bu) with Allocation and Loss Factors Applied

<b>With Allocation and Loss Factors Applied</b>						
	<b>VOC</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>GHG gCO<sub>2</sub>/MJ</b>
Diesel Tractor, g/mmBtu	2.203	10.765	2.922	0.032	2,571	2.5
Diesel Engine, g/mmBtu	0.559	2.675	0.754	0.016	643	0.6
Gasoline Tractor, g/mmBtu	1.295	5.548	1.098	0.014	897	0.9
Natural Gas Engine, g/mmBtu	0.191	1.429	2.289	0.006	251	0.3
LPG Boiler, g/mmBtu	0.049	0.090	0.472	0.021	323	0.3
Electricity, g/mmBtu	0.031	0.111	0.606	0.005	219	0.2
<b>Total Emissions, g/mmBtu</b>	4.329	20.619	8.142	0.095	4,905	
<b>Convert to gCO<sub>2</sub>e GHG</b>	13.5	32.4	203.5	28.3	4,905	
<b>Total Emissions, g/MJ</b>	0.01	0.03	0.19	0.03	4.65	<b>4.9</b>

### 1.3 Energy Calculation from Production of Chemical Inputs in Soybean Farming

The next part of the farming energy use is the energy associated with production and transport of fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides. All assumptions described here are CA-GREET default values. The key assumptions are provided in Table 1.11. Note that for each of the products, direct and total energy are calculated based on assumed process energy efficiency and fuel shares. Energy associated with transportation of each product from plant to field is also calculated. Chemical inputs, including fertilizer, herbicide and insecticide, are input on a g-nutrient/bushel (fertilizer) or g-product/bushel (herbicide and pesticide) basis. Table 1.11 below presents the GREET chemical inputs per bushel of soybean, the total energy required to produce the chemical product and the calculated upstream fuel cycle energy required to produce a bushel of soybean using these inputs.

Table 1.12 Energy Associated with Fertilizer/Herbicide/Pesticide Use

Product	Product Use Rate g/bu	Total Production Energy Btu/g	Total Energy Consumption, Btu/bu
Nitrogen*	61.2	45.72	2,798
Phosphate (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> )	186.1	13.08	2,434
Potash (K <sub>2</sub> O)	325.5	8.17	2,658
Herbicides	43.02	268.04	11,531
Pesticides	0.43	306.43	132
Total Energy Consumption due to Farm Product Use (Btu/bu)			19,553 Btu/bu
Total Energy Consumption due to Farm Product Use (Btu/mmBtu)			119,629 Btu/mmBtu
<b>Total Adjusted Energy Consumption due to Farm Product Use (Btu/mmBtu, with allocation and loss factors)</b>			<b>49,451 Btu/mmBtu</b>

Note: Nitrogen split: 70.7% Ammonia, 21.1% Urea, 8.2% Ammonium Nitrate

To convert from Btu/bu to Btu/mmBtu, divide by 0.163448

To calculated adjusted energy multiply by 45.7%\*90.5%\*1.000039

## 1.4 GHG Emissions Calculation from Production and Application of Chemical Inputs in Soybean Farming

It is assumed that soybean farming utilizes five different farming products: nitrogen fertilizers (ammonia, urea and ammonium nitrate), phosphates, potash, herbicides and pesticides. Table 1.12 provides the emissions associated with farm product use in g/bu, g/mmBtu, and g/mmBtu after allocation and loss factors have been applied. For conversion factors and allocation/loss factors, please refer to the table footnotes.

*Table 1.3 Life Cycle Emissions Associated with Fertilizer/Herbicide/Pesticide Use*

Product	VOC	CO	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	CO <sub>2</sub>	GHG gCO <sub>2</sub> /MJ
<b>Emissions, gGHG/bu:</b>						
Nitrogen	0.371	0.351	0.183	0.100	138	
Phosphate (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> )	0.069	0.238	0.350	0.003	155	
Potash (K <sub>2</sub> O)	0.039	0.146	0.362	0.003	164	
Herbicides	0.110	0.433	1.433	0.011	789	
Pesticides	0.002	0.006	0.016	0.000	9	
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.591</b>	<b>1.175</b>	<b>2.344</b>	<b>0.117</b>	<b>1,255</b>	
<b>Converted to gGHG/mmBtu:</b>						
Nitrogen*	2.272	2.149	1.117	0.611	842	
Phosphate (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> )	0.419	1.457	2.143	0.021	951	
Potash (K <sub>2</sub> O)	0.237	0.896	2.214	0.020	1,005	
Herbicides	0.676	2.646	8.766	0.065	4,828	
Pesticides	0.010	0.039	0.100	0.001	54	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.614</b>	<b>7.187</b>	<b>14.340</b>	<b>0.718</b>	<b>7,680</b>	
<b>With Allocation and Loss Factors Applied, gGHG/mmBtu:</b>						
Nitrogen*	0.939	0.888	0.462	0.253	348	0.4
Phosphate (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> )	0.173	0.602	0.886	0.009	393	0.4
Potash (K <sub>2</sub> O)	0.098	0.370	0.915	0.008	415	0.4
Herbicides	0.279	1.094	3.624	0.027	1,996	2.0
Pesticides	0.004	0.016	0.041	0.000	22	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.494</b>	<b>2.971</b>	<b>5.928</b>	<b>0.297</b>	<b>3,175</b>	
<b>Total g-CO<sub>2</sub>e/mmBtu</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>148.2</b>	<b>88.4</b>	<b>3,175</b>	<b>3.2</b>

\*Note: Nitrogen split: 70.7% Ammonia, 21.1% Urea, 8.2% Ammonium Nitrate

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions emissions associated with nitrogen fertilizer applications consist of upstream fertilizer production emissions and direct emissions from fertilizer N converted to N<sub>2</sub>O, within the farm system and downstream. To convert from g/bu to g/MJf, divide by 0.163448; To calculated adjusted energy multiply by 45.7%\*90.5%\*1.000039

## 1.5 Soil N<sub>2</sub>O Release Due to Fertilizer Use

GREET also calculates direct field and downstream N<sub>2</sub>O emissions resulting from nitrogen fertilizer input. Agricultural N<sub>2</sub>O emissions result from conversion of fixed (natural and anthropogenic) nitrogen in the soil. Fixed nitrogen applied to field crops is either extracted by the crop as a nutrient, absorbed (chemically bound) into organic soil components or entrapped in soil aggregates (chemically unbound). The majority of the chemically bound nitrogen remains stabilized in the organic form in the soil system, while the unbound nitrogen is converted to N<sub>2</sub>O, volatilized as nitrate or ammonia, or leached out as nitrate. Field and downstream inputs are significant components of agricultural emissions associated with soybean cultivation. Table 1.13 below shows the two main inputs: fertilizer input (g/bu) and percent conversion of N-input to N<sub>2</sub>O. GREET assumes 1.3% of fertilizer-N is ultimately converted to N<sub>2</sub>O. The calculation also uses the mass ratio of N<sub>2</sub>O to N (44/(2x14)).

*Table 1.14 GREET Inputs and Calculated Emissions for Soil N<sub>2</sub>O Associated with Corn Cultivation*

<b>Crop</b>	<b>Soybeans</b>
Fertilizer N input, g/bu	61.2
N content of above/below ground biomass, g/bu	200.7
Percent N conversion to N in N <sub>2</sub> O	1.3%
Mass ratio, N <sub>2</sub> O formed/N <sub>2</sub> O-N, g/g	1.57 (44/28)
N converted, g/bu	3.47
N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions, g/bu	5.45
GHG emissions, g-CO <sub>2</sub> e/mmBtu	9,933
GHG emissions, g-CO <sub>2</sub> e/mmBtu, with allocation and loss factors	4,106
<b>GHG emissions, g-CO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ</b>	<b>3.9</b>

Note: Soil N<sub>2</sub>O emissions = (61.2 g-N/bu + 200.7 g-N/bu) \* (1.3%) \* (44 g N<sub>2</sub>O/(2x14) g N<sub>2</sub>) = 5.45 g-N<sub>2</sub>O/bushel

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## **SECTION 2. SOYBEAN TRANSPORT**

## 2.1 Energy Calculations for Soybean Transport

Soybeans are transported from the field to a soyoil extraction plant in the Midwest. The GREET soybean transport modes are as follows: medium duty diesel trucks transport soybeans to a stack and heavy duty trucks transport the soybeans to a soyoil extraction facility in the Midwest. The soybean meal is used locally as animal feed and the soybean oil is transported by rail to California or Washington for biodiesel production. The transport assumptions and calculations are provided in Table 2.1. See the notes below the table for calculations. All values except the rail transport distance are CA-GREET defaults.

One error in the CA-GREET calculation is that the transport energy is converted to Btu/bu using 56 lb/bushel for soybean density. However, it is reconverted back to Btu/mmBtu using 60 lb/bushel. This is a carryover from the Argonne GREET model. This will be corrected in future updates to the BD pathway.

Table 2.1 Soybean Transport Parameters and Calculations

	Units	Field to Stack	Stack to Terminal
Mode		Medium Heavy Duty Truck	Heavy Heavy Duty Truck
Distance	Miles	10	40
Payload	Tons	8	15
Fuel Economy	Mi/gal	7.3	5
Fuel		Diesel	Diesel
Lower Heating Value	Btu/gal	128,450	128,450
Energy Intensity	Btu/ton-mile	2,199	1,713
Direct Energy	Btu/ton	43,990	137,013.
Total Energy	Btu/ton	50,848	158,376
Total Energy	Btu/bu	1,424	4,435
Total Energy	Btu/mmBtu	8,710	27,131
Total Adjusted Energy	Btu/mmBtu	3,601	11,215
<b>Total Soybean Transport Adjusted Energy, Btu/mmBtu</b>		<b>14,816</b>	

\*Note:

Energy Intensity = LHV / fuel economy / payload

Direct truck energy doubles the miles to take into account round trip energy.

Total energy includes energy associated with crude recovery and diesel refining (see Table 1.3).

Multiply direct diesel use by 1.174419 (the ratio of direct energy to WTT energy, see Table 1.3) to arrive at total energy use.

To convert to Btu/MMBtu, divide by 0.163448 MMBtu/Bu

To get total adjusted energy, multiply by 45.7%, 90.5% and 1.000039

Where extra significant figures are shown, they are needed to match calculations in the model.

## 2.2 GHG Calculations for Soybean Transport

Soybeans are assumed to be transported as follows in CA-GREET:

- 10 miles by medium duty truck from farm to stack
- 40 miles by heavy duty truck from stack to soyoil extraction plant

It is assumed that only diesel is used. The formula for calculating transport emissions is as follows:

$$\text{Emissions g/ton soybean} = \text{Emission factor (g/mmBtu)} * \text{Btu/ton-mile} * \text{miles} / 10^6$$

Btu/mmBtu

The direct emissions are calculated for the trip to the destination and the return trip. The upstream emissions associated with recovering crude and producing diesel are also included. Table 2.2 provides the values used in the calculations. The assumed values for biodiesel density and LHV are 3,361 g/gal and 119,550 Btu/gal, respectively. The sample calculations after the table show the calculations for determining the direct, upstream and total adjusted CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. The WTT values shown in Table 2.3 shows upstream diesel values used to calculate the upstream emissions for diesel truck transport shown in Table 2.2. As the sample calculations show, the upstream diesel CO<sub>2</sub> emissions value of 11,942 g/mmBtu is used in calculating the upstream CO<sub>2</sub> emissions associated with soybean transport.

Note: One error in the CA-GREET calculation is that the transport energy is converted to Btu/bu using 56 lb/bushel for soybean density. However, it is reconverted back to Btu/mmBtu using 60 lb/bushel. This is a carryover from the Argonne GREET model. This will be corrected in future updates to the BD pathway.

Table 2.2 Soybean Transport Parameters and Calculations

	Field to Stack	Stack to Soyoil Extraction Facility	Total Transport
Mode	Medium Heavy Duty Truck	Heavy Heavy Duty Truck	
Distance, miles	10	40	
Fuel	Diesel	Diesel	
Energy Intensity, Btu/ton-mile	2,199	1,712	
<b>Emission Factors<sup>1</sup>, gGHG/mmBtu Fuel Burned (return trip in parentheses)</b>			
VOC	32.110 (39.441)	33.671 (26.392)	
CO	116.107 (115.084)	178.708 (127.443)	
CH <sub>4</sub>	1.534 (1.933)	1.557 (1.293)	
N <sub>2</sub> O	2.898	2.001	
CO <sub>2</sub>	77,912 (77,890)	77,809 (77,913)	
<b>Direct Emissions, gGHG/ton</b>			
VOC	1.574	4.115	5.688
CO	5.085	20.973	26.058
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.076	0.195	0.272
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.128	0.274	0.402
CO <sub>2</sub>	3,427	10,668	14,095
<b>Upstream Emissions, gGHG/ton:</b>			
VOC	0.321	1.001	1.323
CO	0.478	1.490	1.969
CH <sub>4</sub>	4.439	13.826	18.265
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.009	0.029	0.038
CO <sub>2</sub>	525	1,636	2,162
<b>Total Adjusted Emissions (with Allocation &amp; Loss Factors), gGHG/mmBtu</b>			
VOC	0.134	0.362	0.496
CO	0.394	1.591	1.985
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.320	0.993	1.313
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.010	0.021	0.031
CO <sub>2</sub>	280	871	1151

<b>GHGs, g/MJ</b>	0.28	0.86	1.14
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<sup>†</sup>Emission factors (EFs) correspond to trip from feedstock origin to destination and the return trip and are listed in the emission factor (EF) tab of GREET.

Note: Energy Intensity = LHV / fuel economy / payload

Direct truck energy doubles the miles to take into account round trip energy.

To get total adjusted energy, multiply by 45.7%, 90.5% and 1.000039 (see section 1.1)

*Table 2.3 Upstream Energy Consumption and Emissions from Diesel Production*

<b>GHG</b>	<b>g /mmBtu</b>
VOC	7.308
CO	10.876
CH <sub>4</sub>	100.912
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.209
CO <sub>2</sub>	11,942

**Sample calculations are shown below for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions calculation for a medium heavy duty truck:**

Direct CO<sub>2</sub> emissions = [(Diesel origin-to-destination CO<sub>2</sub> EF, g/mmBtu)\*(Energy intensity origin-to-destination, Btu/ton-mile) + (Diesel destination-to-origin CO<sub>2</sub> EF, g/mmBtu)\*(Energy intensity destination-to-origin)]\*(Distance, miles)

Direct CO<sub>2</sub> emissions = [(77,912 g/mmBtu)\*(2,199 Btu/ton-mile)+ (77,890 g/mmBtu)\*(2,199 g/mmBtu)]\*(10 miles)/10<sup>6</sup> = 3,427 g CO<sub>2</sub>/ton

**Upstream CO<sub>2</sub> emission calculation for a medium heavy duty diesel truck:**

Upstream CO<sub>2</sub> emissions = [(Diesel WTT emissions, g/mmBtu)\*(Energy intensity origin-to-destination, Btu/ton-mile) + (Diesel WTT emissions, g/mmBtu)\*(Energy intensity destination-to-origin)]\*(Distance, miles)

[(11,942 g/mmBtu)\*(2,199 Btu/ton-mile)+ (11,942 g/mmBtu)\*(2,199 Btu/ton-mile)]\*(10 miles)/10<sup>6</sup> = 525 g CO<sub>2</sub>/ton

**Total adjusted CO<sub>2</sub> emission calculation in g/mmBtu for a medium heavy duty diesel truck:**

(3,427 g CO<sub>2</sub>/ton) + (525 g CO<sub>2</sub>/ton) = 3,952 g CO<sub>2</sub>/ton

(3,952 g CO<sub>2</sub>/ton)\*(1 ton/2,000 lbs)\*(56 lbs/bu)/(lb oil/bu)/(0.1299 gal BD/lb oil)/(119,550 Btu/gal BD)\*10<sup>6</sup> = 677 g/mmBtu

(677.1 g/mmBtu)\*(45.7% oil energy share)\*(90.5% biodiesel energy share)\*(1.000039) = 280 g CO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu

## **SECTION 3. SOYOIL EXTRACTION**

### 3.1 Energy Calculations for Soyoil Extraction

Once the soybeans have arrived at a soyoil extraction facility, the oil needs to be extracted from the beans. According to the CA-GREET procedure, the total direct energy consumption is specified (5,867 Btu/lb soyoil) along with a split by fuel types. Table 3.1 provides the direct energy consumption values based on GREET default total energy consumption and split by fuel type.

*Table 3.1 Calculation of Direct Energy Consumption (Btu/lb) to Extract Oil from Soybeans*

<b>Process Fuel Type</b>	<b>Fuel Shares</b>	<b>Relationship of Recovery Efficiency (0.972) and Fuel Shares</b>	<b>Direct Energy Consumption, Btu/lb soyoil</b>
Natural gas	87.5%	$0.875 * 5,867$	5,134
Electricity	9.4%	$0.094 * 5,867$	551
N-Hexane	3.1%	$0.031 * 5,867$	182
<b>Direct Energy Consumption for Soyoil Extraction</b>			<b>5,867</b>

The values provided in Table 3.1 are direct energy consumption per lb of soyoil extracted. This is not the total energy required however, since GREET accounts for the “upstream” energy associated with each of the fuels utilized to extract the soyoil. Table 3.2 demonstrates how the direct energy consumption values shown in Table 3.1 are utilized to calculate total energy required to extract soyoil. Energy values for each fuel in Table 1.3 are also used.

*Table 3.2 Calculation of Total Energy Use from Direct Energy Use for Soyoil Extraction*

<b>Fuel Type</b>	<b>Formula</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Btu/lb soyoil</b>
Natural Gas	$5,134 + 5,134*(72,449)/10^6$	5,134 Btu/lb soyoil of direct NG fuel use (Table 3.1)	5,506
		72,449 is the energy required to recover, process and transport 1 mmBtu of NG for stationary use (Table 1.3)	
Electricity	$551 * (149,533 + 2,366,278) / 10^6$	551 Btu/lb soyoil direct electricity use (Table 3.1)	1,388
		149,533 Btu of energy used to recover and transport sufficient feedstock to generate 1 mmBtu electricity (Table 1.3).	
		2,366,278 Btu fuel used to produce 1 mmBtu electricity (Table 1.3).	
N-Hexane	$182 + 182 * (31,180*1.000116 + 75,294) / 10^6$	182 Btu/lb soyoil direct N-Hexane use. GREET uses LPG values for N-Hexane (Table 3.1)	201
		The energy to recover crude is 31,180 Btu/mmBtu crude (Table 1.3).	
		1.000116 is the loss factor for LPG.	
		To refine & transport LPG, 75,294 Btu/mmBtu LPG are used (Table 1.3)	
<b>Total Energy Consumption for Soyoil Extraction</b>			<b>7,094</b>
<b>Total Energy Consumption for Soyoil Extraction (Btu/mmBtu)</b>			<b>456,881</b>
<b>Total Adjusted Energy Consumption for Soyoil Extraction (Btu/mmBtu)</b>			<b>196,069</b>

The soyoil extraction energy is converted from the per lb soyoil basis to a per mmBtu biodiesel basis as follows:

$$\text{Soyoil Extraction Energy} = 7,094 \text{ Btu/lb oil} * 1.04 \text{ lb oil/lb BD} * 3361 \text{ g BD/gal BD} / 454 \text{ g/lb} / 119,550 \text{ Btu/gal BD} * 10^6 \text{ Btu/mmBtu} = 456,881 \text{ Btu/mmBtu}$$

CA-GREET allocates energy for soybean farming, soy oil extraction, and esterification to the co-products. To determine the final adjusted energy consumption to extract the oil, we need to multiply by the total extraction energy by the fuel energy allocation factor for the entire production system; this factor is different from the two allocation factors used in the feedstock production calculation, which are the subsystem factors for soy oil energy share (45.7%) of total products (soy oil plus soybean meal) and the fuel energy allocation factor (90.5%) for transesterification (products include biodiesel and glycerin). The allocation factor for the entire fuel system (42.9%) is determined as the biodiesel

energy in Btu/lb biodiesel produced divided by the sum of the biodiesel energy plus the glycerin energy plus the soybean meal energy (see equation below). CA-GREET 1.8b provides displacement, market value and hybrid allocation methods for co-product calculations as well.

Biodiesel Energy share for Entire System:

$$\frac{16,149 \text{ Btu/lb BD}}{[16,149 \text{ Btu/lb BD} + (7,979 \text{ Btu/lb gly})(0.213 \text{ lb gly/lb BD}) + (1.04 \text{ lb oil/lb BD})(4.48 \text{ lb meal/lb oil})(4,246 \text{ Btu/lb meal})]} = 42.9\%$$

Where BD = biodiesel, gly = glycerin and meal = soybean meal

The loss factor associated with biodiesel production in GREET is 1.000039.

The adjusted energy consumption is:

$$\text{Total Adjusted Extraction Energy} = 456,881 * 42.9\% * 1.000039 = 196,069 \text{ Btu/mmBtu}$$

### 3.2 GHG Calculations for Soyoil Extraction

The emissions associated with soyoil extraction are two-fold: the direct combustion emissions and the upstream emissions due to recovery, processing and transport of the process fuels utilized. In soyoil extraction, it is assumed that natural gas, electricity and N-hexane (a petroleum based solvent) are the process fuels. Table 3.3 provides the direct emissions associated with soyoil extraction. These direct emissions are determined by multiplying the direct energy use (provided in Table 3.1) by the appropriate combustion emission factors (CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor is provided in Table 1.7). Note that electricity has no direct emissions. It is assumed that the natural gas is split equally between a large industrial boiler and a small industrial boiler (CA-GREET default). A sample calculation showing how the natural gas CO<sub>2</sub> direct emissions were calculated is shown below Table 3.3. CA-GREET default emissions factors were used.

*Table 3.3 Direct Emissions from Soyoil Extraction, gGHG/lb Soyoil*

<b>Product</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>
Natural Gas	0.010	0.12	0.006	0.006	299
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
N-Hexane	4.813	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.82</b>	<b>0.12</b>	<b>0.006</b>	<b>0.006</b>	<b>299</b>

Natural gas direct CO<sub>2</sub> emissions:

$$(5,134 \text{ Btu NG/lb oil})[(50\%)(58,198 \text{ g CO}_2/\text{mmBtu}) + 50\%)(58,176 \text{ g CO}_2/\text{mmBtu})]/10^6 = 299$$

In addition to direct emissions from fuel combustion, the emissions associated with recovery, processing and transport of the fuels used to extract the soyoil must be quantified. Table 3.4 shows how the upstream CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are quantified from the direct fuel consumption. Table 3.5 provides the upstream emissions for all GHGs.

*Table 3.4 Calculation of Upstream CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Direct Energy Use For Soyoil Extraction*

<b>Fuel Type</b>	<b>Formula</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>gCO<sub>2</sub>/lb soyoil</b>
Natural Gas	$5,134 \cdot (5,267) / 10^6$	5,134 Btu/lb soyoil of direct NG fuel use (Table 3.2)	26
		5,095 grams of CO <sub>2</sub> are emitted in recovery, processing and transporting 1 mmBtu of natural gas for stationary use.	
Electricity	$551 \cdot (10,754 + 124,274) / 10^6$	551 Btu/lb soyoil direct electricity use (Table 3.2).	74
		To recover, process, and transport fuel to the power plants, 10,754 g of CO <sub>2</sub> /mmBtu are emitted.	
		Production of electricity releases 124,274 g CO <sub>2</sub> /mmBtu of electricity produced.	
N-Hexane	$182 \cdot (2,926 \cdot 1.000116 + 5,488) / 10^6$	182 Btu/lb soyoil direct N-Hexane use (Table 3.2).	2
		The CO <sub>2</sub> emitted from crude recovery is 2,926 g/mmBtu.	
		1.000116 is the loss factor for LPG	
		5,488 g/mmBtu CO <sub>2</sub> is from LPG refining & transport	
<b>Total Upstream CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions for Soyoil Extraction</b>			<b>102</b>

*Table 3.5 Upstream Emissions from Soyoil Extraction, g/lb Soyoil*

<b>Product</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>
Natural Gas	0.030	0.041	0.988	0.000	26
Electricity	0.010	0.038	0.206	0.002	74
N-Hexane	4.815	0.002	0.018	0.000	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.855</b>	<b>0.081</b>	<b>1.212</b>	<b>0.002</b>	<b>102</b>

Finally, the direct and upstream emissions are summed and converted from g/lb soyoil basis to g/mmBtu biodiesel basis. The allocation and loss factors are then applied. Table 3.6 provides the total emissions associated with soyoil extraction.

Table 3.6 Total Emissions from Soyoil Extraction

	VOC	CO	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	CO <sub>2</sub>	GHG gCO <sub>2</sub> e/MJ
<b>Total Emissions (Direct + Upstream), g/lb soyoil</b>						
Natural Gas	0.040	0.157	0.994	0.006	325	
Electricity	0.001	0.038	0.206	0.002	74	
N-Hexane	4.813	0.002	0.018	0.000	2	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.865</b>	<b>0.197</b>	<b>1.218</b>	<b>0.008</b>	<b>401</b>	
<b>*Total Emissions (Direct + Upstream), converted to g/mmBtu</b>						
Natural Gas	2.580	10.125	63.991	0.392	20,922	
Electricity	0.086	2.431	13.291	0.113	4,796	
N-Hexane	309.977	0.116	1.133	0.002	99	
<b>Total</b>	<b>312.643</b>	<b>12.672</b>	<b>78.415</b>	<b>0.507</b>	<b>25,816</b>	
<b>**Total Adjusted Emissions (with Allocation &amp; Loss Factors), g/mmBtu</b>						
Natural Gas	1.107	4.345	27.461	0.168	8,979	9.2
Electricity	0.037	1.043	5.704	0.049	2,058	2.1
N-Hexane	133.026	0.050	0.486	0.001	42	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>134.170</b>	<b>5.438</b>	<b>33.651</b>	<b>0.218</b>	<b>11,079</b>	<b>11.8</b>

Note:

\*To convert from g/lb soy oil to g/mmBtu biodiesel: see table 2.2

\*\*To obtain total adjusted energy multiply total emissions by 42.9% and 1.000039; see Section 2.1 for explanation

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## **SECTION 4. SOYOIL TRANSPORT**

#### 4.1 Energy Calculations for Soyoil Transport

As discussed in the previous section, soyoil is produced at a crushing facility in the Midwest and then transported via rail to the west coast (Washington and California) for biodiesel production. The rail transport distance (1,400 miles) reflects the weighted average of 71% of soy oil transport to Washington and 29% transport directly to California. For the CA-GREET BD pathway, appropriate modifications have been made to incorporate soybean oil transport to WA and CA. Note that this approach assumes that soybean oil and biodiesel have the same heating value, which is a reasonable assumption; the error introduced by the difference is small. The transport parameters and energy use are shown below in Table 4.1. The energy intensity for rail shown in the table is a CA-GREET default value and the following two values, 518,000 Btu/ton, and 16,038 are based on multiplying factors in the table together; the total energy is based on the direct energy and the upstream diesel factor (see calculations below table).

The energy allocation factor used for soy oil transport is the same energy factor (90.5%) for soy oil calculated in Section 1.1. The 45.7% soy oil factor is not used because the oil has already been extracted from the soybeans and only the glycerin transport allocation needs to be subtracted out.

*Table 4.1 Soybean Oil Transport Parameters and Calculations (Modeled as Biodiesel)*

	Units	Crushing facility to BD Plant
Mode		Rail
Distance	Miles	1,400
Fuel		Diesel
Lower Heating Value	Btu/gal	119,550
Density	g/gal	3,361
Energy Intensity	Btu/ton-mile	370
*Direct Energy	Btu/ton	518,000
*Direct Energy	Btu/mmBtu	16,038
*Total Energy	Btu/mmBtu	18,539
<b>*Total Soybean Oil Transport Adjusted Energy, Btu/mmBtu</b>		<b>16,774</b>

\*Note: Rail miles not doubled.

Total energy includes energy associated with crude recovery and diesel refining (see Table 1.3).

To get total adjusted energy, multiply by 90.5% and 1.000039 (see previous section)

$$\text{Direct Energy (Btu/ton)} = (370 \text{ Btu/ton-mile})(1,400 \text{ miles}) = 518,000 \text{ Btu/ton}$$

Direct Energy (Btu/mmBtu) = (518,000 Btu/ton)(1 ton/2,000 lbs)(1 lb/454 g)\*(3,361 g/gal)/(119,550 Btu/gal)\*10<sup>6</sup> = 16,038 Btu/mmBtu

Total Energy (Btu/mmBtu, not adjusted) = (16,038 Btu/mmBtu)(1 + 0.156 Btu/Btu diesel upstream) = 18,539 Btu/mmBtu

Where 0.156 Btu/Btu diesel is the upstream energy associated with producing 1 Btu of diesel.

Total Adjusted Energy (Btu/mmBtu) = (18,539 Btu/mmBtu)\*90.5%\*1.000039 = 16,774 Btu/mmBtu

## 4.2 GHG Calculations for Soyoil Transport

As discussed in the previous section, soyoil is transported to Washington (71%) and California (29%) with a weighted average distance of 1,400 miles. Table 4.2 below shows the diesel rail emission factors, direct emissions, upstream emissions and total emissions with allocation and loss factors applied.

*Table 4.2 Soybean Oil Transport Parameters and Calculations*

<b>Transport Leg</b>	<b>Soybean Crushing Facility to BD Plant</b>
Mode	Rail
Distance, miles	1,400
Fuel	Diesel
Energy Intensity, Btu/ton-mile	370
<b>Emission Factors<sup>1</sup>, gGHG/mmBtu Fuel Burned</b>	
VOC	73.948
CO	213.328
CH <sub>4</sub>	3.940
N <sub>2</sub> O	2.000
CO <sub>2</sub>	77,623
<b>Direct Emissions, gGHG/mmBtu Fuel Transported</b>	
VOC	1.186
CO	3.421
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.063
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.032
CO <sub>2</sub>	1,245
<b>Upstream Emissions, gGHG/mmBtu Fuel Transported</b>	
VOC	0.117
CO	0.174
CH <sub>4</sub>	1.618
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.003
CO <sub>2</sub>	192
<b>Total Emissions, including allocation and loss factors g/mmBtu Fuel Transported</b>	
VOC	1.179
CO	3.254
CH <sub>4</sub>	1.522
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.032
CO <sub>2</sub>	1300
<b>GHGs, g/MJ</b>	<b>1.3</b>

<sup>1</sup>Rail miles not doubled. To get total adjusted emissions, multiply by 90.5% and 1.000039

The direct emissions and upstream emissions are calculated exactly as shown for soybean transport in Section 2.2. The upstream diesel emissions are as shown in Table 2.3. The total adjusted emissions are calculated by multiplying the sum of direct

and upstream emissions by 90.5% (the soy oil energy allocation factor) and the loss factor 1.000039.

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## **SECTION 5. BIODIESEL PRODUCTION**

## 5.1 Energy Calculations for Biodiesel Production

After the soyoil is extracted and transported, biodiesel fuel is produced via the transesterification process. The first step in calculating the total adjusted energy consumption is determining the direct energy use. The direct energy consumption is 2,116 Btu/lb of biodiesel, a CA-GREET default. The process fuel inputs are presented in Table 5.1

*Table 5.1. Calculation of Direct Energy Consumption (Btu/lb biodiesel) for Soyoil Transesterification*

<b>Process Fuel Type</b>	<b>Fuel Shares</b>	<b>Relationship of Biodiesel Production and Fuel Shares</b>	<b>Direct Energy Consumption, Btu/lb biodiesel</b>
Natural gas	42.0%	0.420 * 2,116	889
Electricity	2.2%	0.022 * 2,116	47
Methanol	40.9%	0.049 * 2,116	865
Sodium hydroxide	2.0%	0.020 * 2,116	42
Sodium methoxide	9.9%	0.099 * 2,116	209
Hydrochloric acid	3.0%	0.030 * 2,116	63
<b>Direct Energy Consumption for Soybean Oil Transesterification</b>			<b>2,116</b>

The values provided in Table 5.1 are direct energy consumption per lb of biodiesel produced. This is not the total energy required however, since GREET accounts for the “upstream” energy associated with each of the fuels utilized to produce the biodiesel. Table 5.2 demonstrates how the direct energy consumption values shown in Table 5.1 are utilized to calculate total energy required for soyoil transesterification.

Table 5.2 Calculation of Total Energy Use from Direct Energy Use for Biodiesel Production

Fuel Type	Formula	Description	Btu/lb Biodiesel
Natural gas	$889 + 889 * (72,449)/10^6$	889 Btu/lb biodiesel of direct NG fuel use (Table 5.1).	953
		72,449 is the energy required to recover, process and transport a mmBtu of NG for stationary use	
Electricity	$47 * (149,533 + 2,366,278) / 10^6$	47 Btu/lb biodiesel direct electricity use (Table 5.1)	117
		149,533 Btu of energy used to recover and transport feedstock to generate 1 mmBtu electricity.	
		2,366,278 Btu fuel used to produce 1 mmBtu electricity.	
Methanol	$865 + 865 * (63,808 * 1.000249 + 547,036) / 10^6$	865 Btu/lb biodiesel direct methanol use (Table 5.1)	1,394
		NG recovery, processing and delivery is 63,808 Btu/mmBtu methanol (GREET calculation).	
		1.000249 methanol loss factor	
		Methanol production is 547,036 Btu/mmBtu methanol produced (GREET calculation).	
Sodium Hydroxide		(GREET default)	42
Sodium Methoxide		(GREET default)	209
Hydrochloric Acid		(GREET default)	63
Total Energy Consumption for Biodiesel Production (Btu/lb)			2,780
Total Energy Consumption for Biodiesel Production (Btu/mmBtu)			172,127
Total Adjusted Energy Consumption for Biodiesel Production (Btu/mmBtu)			73,868

Values used in upstream calculations are extracted from the summary section of the relevant fuel tab in GREET; for example the NG recovery processing and delivery energy of 63,808 Btu/mmBtu and the methanol production energy of 547,036 Btu/mmBtu are shown in the summary section of the NG sheet.

To convert from Btu/lb biodiesel to Btu/mmBtu biodiesel use:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total Energy} &= 2,780 \text{ Btu/lb biodiesel} / 454 \text{ g/lb} * 3,361 \text{ g/gal} / 119,550 \text{ Btu/gal} * 10^6 \\ \text{Btu/mmBtu} &= 172,127 \text{ Btu/mmBtu} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Total Adjusted Energy} = 172,127 \text{ Btu/mmBtu} * 42.9\% * 1.000039 = 73,868 \text{ Btu/mmBtu}$$

## 5.2 GHG Calculations from Biodiesel Production

Once the soyoil has been transported to a biodiesel facility, biodiesel is produced through transesterification. Once again, there are direct emissions resulting from direct fuel consumption and upstream emissions from recovery, processing and transport of these fuels. The fuels consumed in this stage are natural gas, electricity and methanol. As in the soyoil extraction stage, the natural gas is assumed to be split evenly between large and small industrial boilers. The natural gas emission factors are the same as those used for soyoil extraction. The electricity mix is assumed to be the California marginal mix.

Direct emissions are calculated by multiplying direct fuel consumption (please refer to Table 3.6 section 3.2 above) by the appropriate emissions factors. Direct emissions for biodiesel production are provided in Table 5.3. Only natural gas has direct emissions.

*Table 5.3 Direct Emissions from Biodiesel Production, g/lb Biodiesel*

<b>Product</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>
Natural Gas	0.005	0.007	0.171	0.000	5
Electricity*	-	-	-	-	-
Methanol*	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.007</b>	<b>0.171</b>	-	<b>5</b>

Note: Only NG has direct emissions by GREET calculations

The upstream emissions are calculated from the direct energy consumption as illustrated in Table 5.4 for CO<sub>2</sub>. The upstream emissions for each of the pollutants are summarized in Table 5.5. Please refer to Table 5.2 for direct fuel consumption values.

*Table 5.4 Calculation of Upstream CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Direct Energy Use for Soyoil Extraction*

<b>Fuel Type</b>	<b>Formula</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>gCO<sub>2</sub>/lb biodiesel</b>
Natural Gas	889 * (5,095)/106	889 Btu/lb biodiesel of direct NG fuel use (Table 5.2)	5
		5,095 g of CO <sub>2</sub> are emitted in recovery, processing and transporting 1 mmBtu of natural gas for stationary use	
Electricity	47* (10,754 + 124,274)/ 106	46 Btu/lb biodiesel direct electricity use (Table 5.2)	6
		To recover, process and transport fuel to the power plants, 10,754 g of CO <sub>2</sub> are emitted per mmBtu of electricity produced	
		Electricity production releases 124,274 g CO <sub>2</sub> /mmBtu of electricity	
Methanol	865 * (4,781*1.0001 + 19,205)/ 106	865 Btu/lb soyoil direct methanol use (Table 5.2)	21
		NG recovery, processing and transport results in 4,781 g CO <sub>2</sub> /mmBtu methanol	
		1.0000249 is the loss factor for methanol production	
		Methanol production results in 19,205 g CO <sub>2</sub> /mmBtu methanol	
<b>Total Upstream CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions for Biodiesel Production</b>			<b>32</b>

As in previous tables, the upstream values shown in the third column of the table are summary WTT values from fuel sheets in GREET; for example the methanol feedstock emissions shown in the summary section of the NG sheet are 4,781 g/mmBtu and the methanol production CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are 19,205 g/mmBtu.

*Table 5.5 Upstream Emissions from Biodiesel Production, g/lb Biodiesel*

<b>Product</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>
Natural Gas	0.005	0.007	0.171	0.000	5
Electricity	0.001	0.003	0.172	0.000	6
Methanol	0.022	0.028	0.154	0.000	21
Total	0.028	0.038	0.497	0.001	32

Finally, the direct and upstream emissions are summed and converted from g/lb biodiesel basis to g/mmBtu biodiesel basis. The allocation and loss factors are also applied. Table 5.6 provides the total emissions associated with biodiesel production.

Table 5.6 Total Emissions from Biodiesel Production

	VOC	CO	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	CO <sub>2</sub>	
<b>Total Emissions (Direct + Upstream), g/lb biodiesel</b>						
Natural Gas	0.012	0.034	0.343	0.001	61	
Electricity	0.001	0.003	0.172	0.000	6	
Methanol	0.022	0.028	0.154	0.000	21	
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.035</b>	<b>0.065</b>	<b>0.669</b>	<b>0.002</b>	<b>88</b>	
<b>Total Emissions (Direct + Upstream), converted to g/mmBtu biodiesel</b>						
Natural Gas	0.750	2.126	21.243	0.070	3,763	
Electricity	0.055	0.197	10.636	0.009	389	
Methanol	1.362	1.715	9.557	0.025	1,286	
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.166</b>	<b>4.038</b>	<b>41.436</b>	<b>0.104</b>	<b>5,438</b>	
<b>Total Adjusted Emissions (with Allocation &amp; Loss Factors), g/mmBtu</b>						
Natural Gas	0.322	0.912	9.116	0.030	1,615	
Electricity	0.023	0.085	4.564	0.004	167	
Methanol	0.584	0.736	4.101	0.011	552	
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.929</b>	<b>1.733</b>	<b>17.782</b>	<b>0.045</b>	<b>2,334</b>	
<b>Converted to gCO<sub>2</sub>e/mmBtu</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>444.6</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>2,334</b>	
<b>Total emissions (gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ)</b>	<b>&lt; 0.01</b>	<b>&lt; 0.01</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>0.01</b>	<b>2.21</b>	<b>2.65</b>

Note:

To obtain total adjusted energy, multiply by 42.9% and 1.000039.

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## **SECTION 6. BIODIESEL TRANSPORT AND DISTRIBUTION**

## 6.1 Energy Calculations for Biodiesel Transport to Retail Stations

The next step in the biodiesel pathway is transport from the production plant to the retail station. Table 6.1 provides the transport assumptions and calculations for this final step.

In CA-GREET, 71% of the fuel is transported from a plant in Washington to a California port by barge and then distributed by heavy duty truck to refueling stations and the remaining 29% is produced in California and then distributed in the same manner. 80% of the biodiesel is also transported by heavy duty truck 50 miles from the plant to bulk terminal. The trucking distance input in GREET includes hauling biodiesel to a petroleum terminal for blending followed by distribution to a fueling station as a blended fuel. The energy values are converted from Btu/ton-mile to total energy as follows: The energy and emissions are calculated the same here as for soybean transport and soy oil transport: Btu/ton-mile are converted to Btu/ton, which is converted to Btu/mmBtu fuel for both legs of the trip. Next, the upstream Btu/mmBtu for each mode of transport is calculated the same way as shown in Section 2.2, using the Btu/ton-mile values shown in Table 6.1. Finally, the energy for each mode is multiplied by the mode share shown in Table 6.1 to yield the total energy. No allocation factor adjustment is made for biodiesel transport.

Table 6.1 Biodiesel Transport Parameters and Calculations

	Units	Bulk Terminal to CA Port	Plant to Bulk Terminal	Distribution
Mode		Barge	Heavy Duty Truck	Heavy Duty Truck
Shares %		71%	80%	100%
Distance	Miles	520	50	90
Payload	Tons	22,500	25	25
Fuel Economy	mi/gal		5	5
Fuel		Residual Oil	Diesel	Diesel
Lower Heating Value	Btu/gal	140,353	128,450	128,450
Energy Intensity <sup>1</sup>	Btu/ton-mile	403 (307)	1,028	1,028
Energy to transport HCl	Btu/mmBtu			39
Direct Energy (Btu/mmBtu) <sup>2</sup>		11,433	3,182	3,220
Total Direct Energy (Btu/mmBtu)		8,968	2,942	3,716
<b>Total Direct Energy T&amp;D (Btu/mmBtu)</b>		<b>15,626</b>		

<sup>1</sup>Return trip energy intensity in parenthesis, if different from trip from origin to destination. <sup>2</sup>Excludes mode share, which is accounted for in the total energy

Note: Energy Intensity = LHV / fuel economy / payload = 1,028 Btu/mile-ton  
 Direct truck energy doubles the miles to take into account round trip energy.

## 6.2 GHG Calculations for Biodiesel Transport to Retail Stations

Biodiesel is assumed to be transported as follows in CA-GREET:

- 71% transported 520 miles by barge from biodiesel plant in Washington to CA port
- 80% transported 50 miles by heavy duty truck from plants in Washington and CA to bulk terminal
- 100% distributed 90 miles by heavy duty truck

Table 6.2 below shows the direct emissions, upstream emissions (without accounting for mode share) and total emissions, accounting for mode share. Sample calculations below the table show how CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are calculated for barge transport.

The basic calculation is as follows:

Direct Emissions (g/mmBtu biodiesel) = biodiesel density (g/gal) / biodiesel LHV (Btu/gal) / 454 g/lb / 2000 lb/ton \* Energy Intensity (Btu/ton-mile) \* miles (roundtrip) \* Emission factor (g/mmBtu)

Please refer to Table 6.1 for specific parameter values in the above formula.

The upstream diesel energy and the upstream energy and emissions for residual oil used as transport fuel is shown below in Table 6.3.

*Table 6.3 Upstream Emissions Associated with Diesel Fuel and Residual Oil Used as a Transport Fuel*

<b>Emission Species</b>	<b>Diesel (g/mmBtu)</b>	<b>Residual Oil (g/mmBtu)</b>
VOC	7.308	5.980
CO	10.876	9.642
CH <sub>4</sub>	100.912	96.587
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.209	0.152
CO <sub>2</sub>	11,942	8312

These upstream values are used to calculate the total emissions

Table 6.2 Soybean Biodiesel Transport Emission Factors and Calculations, g/mmBtu

	Bulk Terminal to CA Port	Bulk Terminal to CA Port	Fuel Distribution	Total Transport
Mode	Barge	Truck	Heavy Duty Truck	
Mode Share	71%	80%	100%	
Distance, miles	520	50	90	
Fuel	Residual Oil	Diesel	Diesel	
Energy Intensity, Btu/ton-mile	403 (307)	1,028	1,028	
<b>Emission Factors for Biodiesel Transport, g/mmBtu fuel burned</b> (Return Trip EFs in Parenthesis, if Different)				
VOC	38.861 (43.127)	33.671 (26.392)	33.671 (26.392)	
CO	103.497 (135.779)	178.708 (127.443)	178.708 (127.443)	
CH <sub>4</sub>	1.904 (2.113)	1.557 (1.293)	1.557 (1.293)	
N <sub>2</sub> O	2.000	2.001	2.001	
CO <sub>2</sub>	84,792 (84,728)	77,809 (77,913)	77,809 (77,913)	
<b>Direct Emissions, g/mmBtu<sup>1</sup></b>				
VOC	0.465	0.096	0.096	0.465
CO	1.343	0.487	0.487	1.343
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.023	0.005	0.005	0.023
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.023	0.006	0.006	0.023
CO <sub>2</sub>	969	248	248	969
<b>Upstream Emissions, g/mmBtu<sup>1</sup></b>				
VOC	0.068	0.023	0.023	0.068
CO	0.110	0.035	0.035	0.110
CH <sub>4</sub>	1.104	0.321	0.321	1.104
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.002
CO <sub>2</sub>	95	38	38	95
<b>Total Emissions, g/mmBtu</b>				
VOC	0.379	0.095	0.119	0.379
CO	1.032	0.417	0.522	1.032
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.800	0.260	0.326	0.800
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.017	0.006	0.007	0.017
CO <sub>2</sub>	756	229	286	756
<b>GHGs, g/MJ</b>	<b>0.72</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>1.24</b>

<sup>1</sup>Note: Direct and upstream emissions exclude mode share; total emissions accounts for mode share  
 Energy Intensity = LHV / fuel economy / payload  
 Direct truck energy doubles the miles to take into account round trip energy.

The emissions shown in Table 3.03 are determined the same way as the soy oil transport is calculated, except that no allocation factors are used for biodiesel transport.

Calculation of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for barge transport (residual oil):

Direct Emissions = [(3,361 g/gal)/(119,550 Btu/gal)/(454 g/lb)/(2,000 lb/ton)(84,792 g/mmBtu)(403 Btu/ton-mile) + (84,728 g/mmBtu)(307 Btu/ton-mile)]\*(520 miles) = 969 g CO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu

Upstream emissions = [(3,361 g/gal)/(119,550 Btu/gal)/(454 g/lb)/(2,000 lb/ton)(8,312 g/mmBtu upstream)(403 Btu/ton-mile) + (8,312 g/mmBtu upstream)(307 Btu/ton-mile)]\*(520 miles) = 95 g CO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu

**Total Emissions = [(969 g/mmBtu) + (95 g/mmBtu)](71%) = 756 gCO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu**

## **SECTION 7. GHG EMISSIONS FROM A BIODIESEL-FUELED VEHICLE**

## 7.1 Combustion Emissions from Fuel

### *Vehicle CO<sub>2</sub> (Carbon in Fuel)*

The CA-GREET model considers only the fossil carbon in fuel (expressed as fully oxidized, g CO<sub>2</sub>/mmBtu fuel), since biologically derived fuel carbon originates from the atmosphere and the net greenhouse gas impact is neutral. The only fossil carbon in biodiesel originates from the methanol (produced from natural gas) used in soybean oil transesterification. The calculations in Table 1.7 below show the fossil CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per mmBtu and MJ of fuel. The table summarizes the values used in the calculations and also shows the results from the carbon in fuel calculations. The biodiesel production energy and methanol energy share for production shown in Table 7.1 are CA-GREET default values and the remaining values in the table are fuel properties. The equation is shown at the bottom of Table 7.1. *The calculations shown in this document are for a light duty vehicle.*

The total BD processing energy of 2116 Btu/mmBtu is based on the AB1007 analysis. Esterification requires a methanol input that corresponds to 10% of the biodiesel mass. This methanol energy is input to CA-GREET as fuel shares of 40.9% of the 2116 Btu of energy input which is equal to 865 Btu/mmBtu.

The GHG emissions are calculated based on the fraction of methanol energy in BD (540 Btu/mmBtu = 2116 x 40.9% /16,145 Btu/lb) and the carbon content of methanol (5.4% x 70 = 3.7 g/MJ). 16,145 Btu/lb is the LHV of BD on a per lb basis.

*Table 7.1 GHG Emissions from Fuel*

<b>Description</b>	<b>Methy Ester Biodiesel (B100)</b>
BD Production Energy Input (Btu/lb BD)	2,116
BD Lower Heating Value (Btu/gal)	119,550
BD Density (g/gal)	3,361
BD Carbon Ratio (wt%)	77.6 %
MeOH Fuel Production Share	40.9%
MeOH Lower Heating Value (Btu/gal)	57,250
MeOH Density (g/gal)	3,006
MeOH Carbon Ratio (wt%)	37.5%
CO <sub>2</sub> /C Mass Ratio (wt%)	44.0095/ 12.011
<b>Fossil Carbon in Fuel (gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ)</b>	<b>3.7</b>

Calculation: Fossil carbon in B100

5.4% energy = 2116\*40.9%/3361/454/119550

68.4 gCO<sub>2</sub>/MJ methanol = 3006/57250\*37.5%\*44.0095/12.011\*948

3.7 g C as CO<sub>2</sub>/MJ from methanol = 5.4% x 68.4

*Vehicle CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions*

The California Climate Action Registry (CCAR) estimates g/mile values for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O. To convert to g/MJ, the emissions per mile are divided by the vehicle energy consumption in MJ/mi. The vehicle energy use, N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub> emission rates and emission calculations are shown in Table 7.2

*Table 7.2 Vehicle CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emissions*

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>2010 Emissions factor (g/mi)</b>	<b>GWP</b>	<b>Calculation (g/mmBtu)</b>	<b>GHG (g/MJ)</b>
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.02	298	$0.02 / 4,081 * 298 * 10^6$	1.4
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.01	25	$0.01 / 4,081 * 25 * 10^6$	0.06
Vehicle Energy Consumption	4,081 Btu/mi			--

Note: California Climate Action Registry Protocols, Table C.5, CCAR GRP\_V3, April, 2008.

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# APPENDIX B

## Soybean Biodiesel Pathway Input Values

Parameters	Units	Values	Note
<b>GHG Equivalent</b>			
CO <sub>2</sub>		1	
CH <sub>4</sub>		25	
N <sub>2</sub> O		298	
VOC		3.1	
CO		1.6	
<b>Soybean Farming</b>			
<b>Direct Farming Efficiency</b>		97.2%	
<b>Fuel Use Shares</b>			
<i>Diesel</i>		64.4%	
<i>Gasoline</i>		17.8%	
<i>Natural Gas</i>		7.3%	
<i>LPG</i>		7.6%	
<i>Electricity</i>		2.9%	
<b>Cultivation Equipment Shares</b>			
<i>Diesel Farming Tractor</i>		80%	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factor</i>	g/mmBtu	77,411	
<i>Diesel Engine</i>		20%	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factor</i>	g/mmBtu	77,401	
<i>Gasoline Farming Tractor</i>		100%	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factor</i>	g/mmBtu	75,645	
<i>Natural Gas Reciprocating Engine</i>		100%	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factor</i>	g/mmBru	56,551	
<i>LPG Commercial Boiler</i>		100%	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factor</i>	g/mmBtu	68,036	
<b>Soybean Farming</b>			
<i>Soybean direct energy use</i>	Btu/bu	22,087	
<i>Soybean yield</i>	lbs/bu	60	
<b>Soybean T&amp;D</b>			
<i>Transported from Soybean Field to Stack</i>			
<i>by medium truck</i>	miles	10	2,199 Btu/mile-ton Energy Intensity capacity 8 tons/trip
<i>fuel consumption</i>	mi/gal	7.3	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor origin-destination</i>	g/mmBtu	77,912	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor destination-origin</i>	g/mmBtu	77,890	
<i>Transported from Stack to BD Plant</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	40	1,713 Btu/mile-ton Energy Intensity capacity 15 tons/trip
<i>fuel consumption</i>	mi/gal	5	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor origin-destination</i>	g/mmBtu	77,913	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor destination-origin</i>	g/mmBtu	77,809	
<i>Transported from Terminal to Biodiesel Plant</i>			
<i>by rail</i>	miles	1,400	370 Btu/mile-ton Energy Intensity
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor</i>	g/mmBtu	77,664	
<b>Chemicals Inputs</b>			
<b>Nitrogen</b>			
<i>NH<sub>3</sub></i>	g/bu	61.2	
<i>Production Efficiency</i>		82.4%	
<i>Shares in Nitrogen Production</i>		70.7%	
<i>CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factor</i>	g/g	2.475	
<i>Transported from plant to bulk center</i>			

Parameters	Units	Values	Note
<i>by ocean tanker</i>	miles	3,000	48 Btu/mile-ton to destination and 43 Btu/mile-ton reverse
<i>by rail</i>	miles	750	370 Btu/mile-ton
<i>by barge</i>	miles	400	403 Btu/mile-ton
<i>Transported from bulk center to mixer</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	50	1,142 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<i>Transported from mixer to farm</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	30	2,199 Btu/mile-ton by truck
<b>Urea</b>			
<i>Production Efficiency</i>		46.7%	
<i>Shares in Nitrogen Production</i>		21.1%	
<i>Transported from plant to bulk center</i>			
<i>by ocean tanker</i>	miles	5,200	48 Btu/mile-ton to destination and 43 Btu/mile-ton reverse
<i>by rail</i>	miles	750	370 Btu/mile-ton
<i>by barge</i>	miles	400	403 Btu/mile-ton
<i>Transported from bulk center to mixer</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	50	1,142 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<i>Transported from mixer to farm</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	30	2,199 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<b>Ammonium Nitrate</b>			
<i>Production Efficiency</i>		35%	
<i>Shares in Nitrogen Production</i>		8.2%	
<i>Transported from plant to bulk center</i>			
<i>by ocean tanker</i>	miles	3,700	48 Btu/mile-ton to destination and 43 Btu/mile-ton reverse
<i>by rail</i>	miles	750	370 Btu/mile-ton
<i>by barge</i>	miles	400	403 Btu/mile-ton
<i>Transported from bulk center to mixer</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	50	1,142 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<i>Transported from mixer to farm</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	30	2,199 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	g/bu	186.1	
<b>H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub></b>			
<i>Feedstock input</i>	tons	n/a	
<i>Transported from plant to bulk center</i>			
<i>by ocean tanker</i>	miles	4,400	48 Btu/mile-ton to destination and 43 Btu/mile-ton reverse
<i>by rail</i>	miles	750	370 Btu/mile-ton
<i>by barge</i>	miles	400	403 Btu/mile-ton
<i>Transported from bulk center to mixer</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	50	1,142 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<i>Transported from mixer to farm</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	30	2,199 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<b>H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub></b>			
<i>Feedstock input</i>	tons	2.674	
<i>Transported from plant to bulk center</i>			
<i>by ocean tanker</i>	miles	1,500	48 Btu/mile-ton to destination and 43 Btu/mile-ton reverse
<i>by rail</i>	miles	750	370 Btu/mile-ton
<i>by barge</i>	miles	400	403 Btu/mile-ton
<i>Transported from bulk center to mixer</i>			

Parameters	Units	Values	Note
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	50	1,142 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<i>Transported from mixer to farm</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	30	2,199 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<b>P Rock</b>			
<i>Feedstock input</i>	tons	3.525	
<i>Transported from plant to bulk center</i>			
<i>by ocean tanker</i>	miles	4,400	48 Btu/mile-ton to destination and 43 Btu/mile-ton reverse
<i>by rail</i>	miles	750	370 Btu/mile-ton
<i>by barge</i>	miles	400	403 Btu/mile-ton
<i>Transported from bulk center to mixer</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	50	1,142 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<i>Transported from mixer to farm</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	30	2,199 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	g/bu	571.5	
<i>Transported from plant to bulk center</i>			
<i>by ocean tanker</i>	miles	3,900	48 Btu/mile-ton to destination and 43 Btu/mile-ton reverse
<i>by rail</i>	miles	750	370 Btu/mile-ton
<i>by barge</i>	miles	400	403 Btu/mile-ton
<i>Transported from bulk center to mixer</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	50	1,142 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<i>Transported from mixer to farm</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	30	2,199 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<b>Herbicide</b>	g/bu	43.02	
<i>Transported from plant to bulk center</i>			
<i>by ocean tanker</i>	miles	4,000	48 Btu/mile-ton to destination and 43 Btu/mile-ton reverse
<i>by rail</i>	miles	750	370 Btu/mile-ton
<i>by barge</i>	miles	400	403 Btu/mile-ton
<i>Transported from bulk center to mixer</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	50	1,142 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<i>Transported from mixer to farm</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	30	2,199 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<b>Pesticide</b>	g/bu	0.43	
<i>Transported from plant to bulk center</i>			
<i>by ocean tanker</i>	miles	4,000	48 Btu/mile-ton to destination and 43 Btu/mile-ton reverse
<i>by rail</i>	miles	750	370 Btu/mile-ton
<i>by barge</i>	miles	400	403 Btu/mile-ton
<i>Transported from bulk center to mixer</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	50	1,142 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<i>Transported from mixer to farm</i>			
<i>by heavy duty diesel truck</i>	miles	30	2,199 Btu/mile-ton to and from destination back
<b>Co-Product Credit</b>			
<i>Soy Oil Yield</i>	lb/bu	2.08	
<b>Biodiesel Production</b>			
<b>Soyoil Extraction</b>			
<i>Soyoil Extraction Efficiency</i>		97.2%	
<i>Soyoil Extraction Energy Share</i>		45.7%	
<i>Energy use</i>	Btu/lb	5,867	

Parameters	Units	Values	Note
<b>NG used</b>		87.5%	
Large NG Boiler	g/mmBtu	58,198	50% usage
Small NG Boiler	g/mmBtu	58,176	50% usage
<b>Electricity used</b>		9.4%	
<b>N-Hexane used</b>		3.1%	
<b>Soil Oil Transport</b>			
Mileage travel by rail	miles	1,400	
Energy Intensity	Btu/ton-mile	370	
<b>Soyoil Transesterification</b>			
Soyoil Transesterification Allocation		90.5%	
Energy use	Btu/lb	2,116	
<b>NG used</b>		42%	
Large NG Boiler	g/mmBtu	58,198	50% usage
Small NG Boiler	g/mmBtu	58,176	50% usage
<b>Electricity used</b>		2.2%	
<b>Methanol used</b>		40.9%	
<b>Sodium Hydroxide used</b>		2%	
<b>Sodium Methoxide</b>		9.9%	
<b>Hydrochloric Acid</b>		3%	
<b>Transportation and Distribution</b>			
Transported by HHD truck	miles	90	1,028 Btu/mile-ton Energy Intensity both ways
<b>Fuels Properties</b>	<b>LHV (Btu/gal)</b>	<b>Density (g/gal)</b>	
Crude	129,670	3,205	
RO	140,353	3,752	
Conventional Diesel	128,450	3,167	
Conventional Gasoline	116,090	2,819	
CaRFG	111,289	2,828	
CARBOB	113,300	2,767	
Natural Gas	83,868	2,651	
EtOH	76,330	2,988	Anhydrous ethanol (neat)
EtOH	77,254	2,983	Denatured ethanol
Still Gas	128,590		
<b>Soybean Transportation Cargo Capacity</b>			
Barge	tons	20,000	
Medium Duty Truck	tons	8	
Heavy Duty Truck	tons	15	
<b>Biodiesel Yield</b>			
From Soybean	gal/bu	1.37	
From Soyoil	gal/lb	0.14	
From Biodiesel	gal/lb	0.135	

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# APPENDIX C

# BIODIESEL CO-PRODUCT

Biodiesel, consisting of fatty-acid methyl esters (FAME), and non-ester renewable diesel (NERD) are produced using plant-derived oils. There are a variety of potential feedstock oils (see Table ), but the dominant pathway considered is soybean oil-based biodiesel and this pathway is modeled in GREET. This document discusses the co-products of soybean biodiesel and the allocation method used in GREET for determining co-product credits; the renewable diesel pathway (NERD) and its co-products are not discussed here.

Pressing oil yields protein rich soybean meal valued as animal feed. Transesterification of the processed oil with methanol yields biodiesel (FAME) and glycerin, which can be sold in crude form, or distilled to 99% or higher purity for sale to the cosmetic and pharmaceutical industries. The GREET model calculates credits for these two co-products based on the energy content ratio of the product stream (see next sections).

*Table C-1. Biodiesel and Renewable Diesel Co-Products*

<b>Fuel</b>	<b>Feedstock</b>	<b>Co-products</b>
Biodiesel (esterified)	Soybean oil	Soybean meal, glycerin
Biodiesel (esterified)	Canola Oil	Canola meal, glycerin
Biodiesel (esterified)	Mustard seed	Seed meal, glycerin
Biodiesel (esterified)	Palm oil	Various
Biodiesel (esterified)	Yellow grease	Glycerin
Renewable Diesel (non esterified)	Soybean oil	Soybean meal, LPG
Renewable Diesel (non esterified)	Canola Oil	Canola meal, LPG
Renewable Diesel (non esterified)	Mustard seed	Seed meal, LPG
Renewable Diesel (non esterified)	Palm oil	Palm meal

### **Allocation methods**

Allocation methods apportion the inputs and emissions from a process amongst the various co-produced outputs based on some characteristic of the process input, outputs, or operation. The advantage of using the allocation approach is that the analysis can be completed based on the inputs and emissions associated with a more narrowly-defined process. Life cycle data for substitute co-products are not required as they are when using the substitution method. This simplifies the analysis and eliminates certain uncertainties, however in general, this method is less representative of the real impact of co-products than is the substitution method.

### **Biodiesel Energy Allocation**

Soybean meal and glycerin co-products are accounted for in GREET using allocation by energy content. This is accomplished indirectly, by multiplying the fuel energy and emission results by the energy proportion of the fuel or oil in the product system. This is somewhat complicated, because there are subsystem energy allocation factors, for soybean oil extraction, and total system allocation factors based on all products generated. The subsystem allocation factors are used to calculate the adjusted feedstock and feedstock transport life cycle results while the total system allocation factors are applied only to fuel production (oil extraction and transesterification). This

will become clearer as you read below about how each component of the life cycle is adjusted to account for co-products and fuel loss.

### Allocation and Loss Factor Calculations

#### *Soybean Production and Transport*

Life cycle energy and emissions resulting from soybean production and transport, including fuel inputs for farming and fertilizer, herbicide and pesticide use are adjusted using two energy allocation factors, based on subsystem energy ratios.

The first subsystem energy allocation factor is the energy fraction of extracted soybean oil of the total oil and soybean meal product system (Equation 1a shows the ratio in words and 1b shows the actual calculation):

$$\frac{\text{Soybean Oil Energy Content}}{(\text{Soybean Oil Energy Content} + \text{Soybean Meal Energy Content})} \quad (1a)$$

$$\frac{16,000 \text{ Btu/lb oil}}{[(16,000 \text{ Btu/lb oil}) + (4,246 \text{ Btu/lb meal})(4.48 \text{ lbs meal/lb oil})]} = 45.7\% \quad (1b)$$

Where BD = biodiesel and meal = soybean meal

The second subsystem energy allocation factor is the energy fraction of biodiesel (FAME) to the energy ratio of biodiesel to the total biodiesel plus glycerin product system (Equation 2a shows the ratio in words and 2b shows the actual calculation):

$$\frac{\text{Biodiesel Energy Content}}{(\text{Biodiesel Energy Content} + \text{Glycerin Energy Content})} \quad (2a)$$

$$\frac{16,149 \text{ Btu/lb BD}}{[(16,149 \text{ Btu/lb BD}) + (7,979 \text{ Btu/lb gly})(0.213 \text{ lbs gly/lb BD})]} = 90.5\% \quad (2b)$$

Where BD = biodiesel and gly = glycerin

The energy and emissions results for feedstock production and transport are multiplied by these two factors and then by the loss factor for biodiesel, 1.000039, which is based on fuel VOC loss from bulk terminals and refueling station. The loss factor is calculated below (Equation 3) and the adjusted farming energy is shown as an example in Equation 4, based on 161,478 Btu/mmBtu farming energy.

$$1 + \frac{0.207 \text{ g VOC/mmBtu BD} + 0.880 \text{ g VOC/mmBtu BD}}{[(3,361 \text{ g BD/gal}) / (119,550 \text{ Btu BD/gal}) * 10^6]} = 1.000039 \quad (3)$$

Adjusted life cycle energy for soybean farming (not including chemical inputs):  
 $(161,478 \text{ Btu/mmBtu})(45.7\%)(90.5\%)(1.000039) = 66,750 \text{ Btu/mmBtu} \quad (4)$

### *Soybean Oil Extraction*

Soybean oil extraction and oil transesterification are adjusted using the total system energy allocation factor to account for co-products. This factor is simply the ratio of energy in biodiesel produced to the total energy of biodiesel, soybean meal and glycerin (see Equations 5a and 5b).

#### Biodiesel Energy Content

$$\frac{\text{Biodiesel Energy Content}}{\text{Biodiesel Energy Content} + \text{Soybean Meal Energy Content} + \text{Glycerin Energy Content}} \quad (5a)$$

$$\frac{16,149 \text{ Btu/lb BD}}{[16,149 \text{ Btu/lb BD} + (7,979 \text{ Btu/lb gly})(0.213 \text{ lb gly/lb BD}) + (1.04 \text{ lb oil/lb BD})(4.48 \text{ lb meal/lb oil})(4,246 \text{ Btu/lb meal})]} = 42.9\% \quad (5b)$$

Where BD = biodiesel, gly = glycerin and meal = soybean meal

Thus, the life cycle energy and emissions associated with soybean oil extraction are multiplied by 42.9% to account for soybean meal production and 1.000039 to account for loss of volatile fuel components throughout the transport system. Equation 6 below shows the total oil extraction energy multiplied by the allocation factor to account for co-products.

$$(456,881 \text{ Btu/mmBtu})(42.9\%)(1.000039) = 196,069 \text{ Btu/mmBtu} \quad (6)$$

### *Soybean Oil Transport*

Soybean oil transport is not modeled in GREET, but soybean oil has similar properties to biodiesel and therefore biodiesel transport is modeled in GREET for determination of soybean oil transport results in GREET. Only the 90.5% allocation factor (biodiesel to biodiesel + glycerin) and loss factor are used for soybean oil transport energy and emission results because the soybean meal has already been removed from the product system at this point (it is used locally as animal feed). Equation 7 below shows the total soybean oil energy adjusted to account for co-products and multiplied by the biodiesel loss factor.

$$(18,539 \text{ Btu/mmBtu})(90.5\%)(1.000039) = 16,774 \text{ Btu/mmBtu} \quad (7)$$

### *Soybean oil Transesterification*

Soybean oil transesterification (biodiesel production) energy and emission results are multiplied by the same total system energy factor (42.9%) used for soybean oil extraction and calculated in Section 2.2. Like the other results, the adjusted energy and emissions are multiplied by the biodiesel loss factor, 1.000039. Equation 8 below shows the total transesterification energy adjusted to account for co-products and fuel loss.

$$(172,127 \text{ Btu/mmBtu})(42.9\%)(1.000039) = 73,868 \text{ Btu/mmBtu} \quad (8)$$

### *Biodiesel Transport and Distribution*

Biodiesel transport involves only the biodiesel being transported, so life cycle energy and emissions don't need to be adjusted with allocation factors.