

Agreement reached in Hawaii-produced biodiesel

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An agreement has been reached to supply biodiesel produced in Hawaii to a planned emergency power facility at the Honolulu International Airport.

According to a joint announcement on Tuesday, Pacific Biodiesel is to supply at least 250,000 gallons of biofuel to the 8 megawatt facility to be operated by Hawaiian Electric.

The three-year contract calls for supplying the biodiesel from locally recycled cooking oil. The oil is to be collected and processed at Pacific Biodiesel's Oahu plant or the Big Island Biodiesel refinery in Keaau, which is under construction.

The airport facility is scheduled to be complete in October 2012.

The agreement is subject to Hawaii Public Utilities Commission approval.

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