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Texas approves NOx reducing additive

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The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality approved a **biodiesel** fuel additive Tuesday that is expected to reduce nitrogen oxide emissions.

"There are so many benefits to **biodiesel**, and ORYXE Energy is pleased to offer a NOx solution that adds one more plus to the fuel," said James M. Cleary, ORYXE Energy, chairman and chief executive officer.

A B20 **biodiesel** blend was tested and results that were submitted to the TCEQ show that the additive reduces the increase in nitrogen oxides emitted from **biodiesel** to the level required to qualify as Texas Low Emission Diesel. Fuel producers in Texas can now blend ORYXE LED for **biodiesel** directly into finished **biodiesel** blends up to B20 and achieve reductions in nitrogen oxides.

Testing was done at West Virginia University Engine and Emissions Research Laboratory, a facility recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The tests were funded in part by the state of Texas through a grant from the TCEQ.

Results from an EPA study show that **biodiesel** reduces all regulated emissions, with the exception of nitrogen oxides which are major contributors to ozone pollution and a serious problem in many areas of Texas.

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