

Sustainable fuels critical to tackling off-grid energy: Advanced Biofuels Coalition welcomes Dimeta as a new member

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The Advanced Biofuels Coalition LSB, has recently welcomed **Dimeta** as a new member, who are championing the decarbonisation of the off-grid energy sector with renewable liquid gases.

Dimeta is a Netherlands-based company, formed in early 2022 to advance the production and use of renewable & recycled carbon DME, a low-carbon sustainable liquid gas, to accelerate sustainable solutions for the LPG industry. The organisation is targeting the development of up to 6 production plants within the next 5 years, targeting a total production capacity of 300kt per year by 2027. The aggregate investment is estimated to be up to \$1 billion.

Dimeta has announced the UK as the location of its first commercial Renewable & Recycled Carbon DME production plant, which will be operational from 2025 producing 50kt of the sustainable fuel from waste feedstock. Following this, Dimeta is progressing production plants in Europe and North America.

“We are delighted to join the Advanced Biofuels Coalition at a time of critical importance, with sustainability and energy resilience high up on the European political agenda. Advanced biofuels can assist policy makers in achieving emissions reduction targets, create green jobs and deliver a just transition to Net Zero. Recognizing the benefits of advanced biofuels in the raft of public policy we see on the table today is critical if we want to see accelerated investment and growth in sustainable fuel production. I look forward to working with the coalition to showcase the benefits of this important solution as policy makers tackle decarbonisation of heating, transport & industry head on this year”, states **Sophia Haywood, Head of Advocacy & Communications at Dimeta**.

Marko Janhunen, Chair of Advanced Biofuels Coalition and Public Affairs Director at UPM commented: *“Dimeta joining our coalition is a great example of an increasing use of advanced biofuels in various sectors and that there is a strong demand in several industrial sectors. Our coalition looks forward to working together with Dimeta to promote further uptake of advanced biofuels in EU legislation”*.

Advanced biofuels made from wastes and residues as defined in Renewable Energy Directive Annex IX Part A, are a sustainable solution to reduce emissions in industry and transport, including also harder to decarbonize transport modes such as sustainable aviation fuels, maritime transport, and heavy-duty transport, as well as wider applications such as in the off-grid energy sector. Since the adoption of REDII in 2018, several investments have moved forward and are contributing to the EU’s goal of achieving dramatic reduction in transport CO2 emissions.

The Advanced Biofuels Coalition LSB, represents the leading companies in the advanced biofuels industry, strongly supports the EU target for climate-neutrality by 2050 and the need for more ambitious 2030 intermediate targets.

About the Advanced Biofuels Coalition, LSB

Advanced biofuels are a fast-track solution to decarbonizing transport. LSB is a coalition of leading advanced biofuels technology developers and producers committed to making a significant contribution to meeting the EU ambitions of decarbonizing EU. Traditionally used mainly in the transport sector, the use of advanced biofuels is increasing also in other sectors. Advanced biofuels bring multiple benefits in terms of CO2 reduction, investments, revenues for farmers and forest owners, improved waste management practices, job creation and an increase in energy security. LSB represents 11 companies committed to promoting the uptake of advanced biofuels.

About Dimeta

SHV Energy and UGI International, a subsidiary of UGI Corporation (NYSE: UGI), two of the world's largest distributors of off-grid energy, formed Dimeta in early 2022 as a joint venture to advance the production and use of Renewable & Recycled Carbon Dimethyl Ether (DME), a low-carbon sustainable liquid gas, to accelerate renewable solutions for the LPG industry.

Dimeta is targeting the development of up to 6 production plants within the next 5 years, targeting a total production capacity of 300 ktonnes of Renewable & Recycled Carbon DME per year by 2027. The aggregate investment is estimated to be up to \$1 billion. Dimeta has recently announced Teesworks in the UK as the intended location of its first commercial Renewable & Recycled Carbon DME production plant, which will be operational from 2025. Following this, Dimeta is progressing production plants in Europe & North America.

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