



# Building a Green Energy Future

## Our Renewable Diesel Project is Breaking Ground.

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

**W**e are excited to share our progress with you on the proposed Renewable Diesel Unit (RDU) Project at Chalmette Refining which will convert animal and plant-based feedstocks into renewable fuel. Organic fats and oils — such as soybean oil, distillers corn oil, chicken fat, beef tallow and used cooking oil — will go through a hydrotreating process to become a drop-in ready blendstock for diesel.

This green energy project can help create stability for our workforce, add value to our facility, and broaden opportunities for future investments. Although we are still in conversations with potential investors, we have committed to laying the groundwork to make the project a success.

As part of this foundation, we are beginning preparations for the RDU, which will convert an idled unit located on our existing property. We are currently working with St. Bernard Parish Government, appropriate state and local agencies, and have all necessary permits.

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We are energized about this upcoming project and the progress we will be making. This project adds to the long-term viability of the refinery, which translates into a positive economic impact for all of us.

Laying the groundwork...

#### Will there be noise?

As with any construction site, there will be some noise associated with building the RDU. Beginning in mid-December we will start to lay the foundation for the unit by placing pilings. We expect this part of the construction process to last approximately one to two months. The entire project is expected to last approximately 12-18 months after the company makes its final investment decision.

#### Will there be increased traffic because of the construction?

At various times we will have some increased traffic on the streets around the refinery due to extra workers, delivery of construction materials, and preparation of the site for the build. Traffic safety has been a key part of our planning for this project and we are coordinating closely with the St. Bernard Sheriff's Department to ensure traffic flow and safety. We will contract off-duty sheriff's deputies to make sure traffic keeps moving with minimum impact to drivers on the road. Information on peak times of traffic activity around the refinery will be posted on our web site or Facebook page so you can plan your travel.

#### Will the refinery still make gasoline?

Yes. The refinery will continue to make gasoline and other fuels during the construction phase of the project.

#### Will there be other impacts?

You may see lights during the evening hours. This may be caused by lighted work areas or welding activities during the construction.

#### Thank You!

This is an exciting time for Chalmette Refining. We appreciate your patience during this increased activity period and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you and your family.

Please call our hotline, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week at (504) 281-1212 if you have any questions. And keep up to date with any changes of our construction schedule on our web site, Facebook page, or Project Status Line at 504-281-1101.

Sincerely,  
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