## AN IFIT PROJECT

# **ETHANOL FROM WOOD BIOMASS**

**Woodland Biofuels Inc.** is optimizing a world-first Catalyzed Pressure Reduction (CPR<sup>™</sup>) technology at its Sarnia, Ontario, demonstration plant to make cellulosic ethanol and other fuels and chemicals from wood biomass.

- This world-first demonstration of the CPR™ technology details a unique high-yield thermo-chemical conversion process.
- The new technology allows any kind of biomass, including wood waste from the construction and demolition industry, to be converted into cellulosic ethanol and other high-value products.
- Cellulosic ethanol is a biofuel produced from cellulose, the stringy fiber of a plant, rather than from the plant's seeds or fruit.
- Operating the demonstration plant with multiple types of forestry waste will help optimize plant performance based on the type of waste used to demonstrate the process and simulate commercial production.
- Once successfully simulated, the first commercial wood-to-ethanol facility that uses this novel process can be built.

#### **UTILIZING CANADA'S FORESTS: RESULTS EXPECTED**



#### CELLULOSIC ETHANOL HAS MANY ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS:

LIFE-CYCLE GHG EMISSIONS COMPARED TO GASOLINE AIR EMISSIONS AS NO VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS ARE RELEASED WATER USE COMPARED TO OTHER ETHANOL-PRODUCING TECHNOLOGIES WASTE AND BY-PRODUCTS BECAUSE OF A HIGH CONVERSION YIELD FROM WOOD WASTE TO ETHANOL

INNOVATING WITH WOOD

This demonstration project will lay the groundwork for the world's first commercial plant deploying the innovative CPR™ technology:

- highly replicable technology
  across the industry
- potential to convert over 190,000 metric tonnes of bonedry wood waste per year into over 75 million litres of ethanol
- potential for Canada to become a major producer of biofuel on the world stage

### **POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES**

**ENVIRONMENTAL:** USING CELLULOSIC ETHANOL TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT OF TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS CURRENTLY BASED ON FOSSIL FUELS AND HELPING THE SHIFT TOWARD RENEWABLE FUEL

MARKET: MEETING THE NEED FOR DOMESTIC PRODUCTION OF ETHANOL BY DEMONSTRATING A NEW CELLULOSIC ETHANOL PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY AND PROVIDING AN ALTERNATIVE TO FOOD-BASED ETHANOL MADE FROM CORN OR SOY

**COMMUNITY:** PROVIDING TRAINING FOR 12 NEW OPERATORS AT THE DEMONSTRATION PLANT AND POTENTIALLY CREATING HUNDREDS OF FULL-TIME JOBS AND THOUSANDS OF PART-TIME AND INDIRECT EMPLOYMENT JOBS WHEN OPERATIONS BECOME COMMERCIAL-SCALE

**SUSTAINABILITY:** CREATING WEALTH FROM FOREST WASTE THAT WOULD OTHERWISE GO TO A LANDFILL WHILE ALSO USING EXISTING FOREST INDUSTRY INFRASTRUCTURE



WOODLAND BIOFUELS INC. IS A GLOBAL LEADER IN THE MOVE TO SUSTAINABLE, RENEWABLE, CLEAN FUEL. PROJECT LOCATION: SARNIA, ONTARIO

This demonstration project will open the doors to the commercial deployment of full-scale  $CPR^{TM}$ plants that promise attractive economic returns and significant environmental benefits compared to fossil fuel and corn ethanol.

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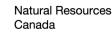
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