Form **8864**

Biodiesel and Renewable Diesel Fuels Credit

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Attachment Sequence No. **141**

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service ► Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return Identifying number

Caution. You cannot claim any amounts on Form 8864 that you claimed (or will claim) on Schedule C (Form 720), Form 8849,

Claimant has a certificate from the producer or importer of biodiesel or renewable diesel reported on lines 1 through 8 below and, if applicable, claimant also has a statement from the reseller. Claimant has no reason to believe that the information in the certificate or statement is false. Claimant may need to attach a copy of the certificate and statement. See *Certification* below.

	Type of Fuel		(a) Number of Gallons Sold or Used	(b) Rate		Column (a) x Column (b)	
1	Biodiesel (other than agri-biodiesel) produced, or sold or used, before 2009	1		\$.50	0		
2	Biodiesel (other than agri-biodiesel) produced, and sold or used, after 2008	2		\$1.00	0		
3	Agri-biodiesel	3		\$1.00			
4	Renewable diesel	4		\$1.00	0		_
5	Biodiesel (other than agri-biodiesel) included in a biodiesel mixture produced, or sold or used, before 2009	5		\$.50	0		
6	Biodiesel (other than agri-biodiesel) included in a biodiesel mixture produced, and sold or used, after 2008	6		\$1.00			
7	Agri-biodiesel included in a biodiesel mixture	7		\$1.00			
8	Renewable diesel included in a renewable diesel mixture	8		0			
9	Qualified agri-biodiesel production	9		\$.10	0		
10	Add lines 1 through 9. Include this amount in your income for 2008 (see instructions)				10		
11	Biodiesel and renewable diesel fuels credit from partnerships, S corporations, cooperatives, estates, and trusts (see instructions)				11		
12	Add lines 10 and 11. Cooperatives, estates, and trusts, go to line 13; partnerships and S corporations, report this amount on Schedule K; all others, report this amount on Form 3800, line 11				12		
13	Amount allocated to patrons of the cooperative or beneficiaries of the estate or trust (see instructions)				13		
14	Cooperatives, estates, and trusts. Subtract line 13 from line 12. Report this amount on Form 3800, line 1I				14		

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code.

What's New

- 1. For credits claimed on returns filed after May 14, 2008, biodiesel and renewable diesel do not include fuel produced outside the United States or a U.S. possession for use as a fuel outside the United States or a U.S. possession.
- 2. For fuel produced, and sold or used, after October 3, 2008, renewable diesel does not include any fuel derived from co-processing biomass with feedstock that is not biomass.
- 3. For fuel produced after 2008, biodiesel and renewable diesel do not include any liquid eligible for the alcohol and cellulosic biofuel fuels credit (Form 6478).
 - 4. For fuel produced, and sold or used, after 2008:
- a. The credit rate for the biodiesel and biodiesel mixture credits increases to \$1.00 per gallon.
- b. Camelina is added to the list of virgin oils from which agri-biodiesel is derived.

- c. The definition of renewable diesel changed (see Renewable Diesel).
- 5. Biodiesel produced, sold, or used after April 1, 2009, must meet the new ASTM D6751 cold soak filtration test (see *Biodiesel*).

Purpose of Form

Use Form 8864 to figure your biodiesel and renewable diesel fuels credit. Claim the credit for the tax year in which the sale or use occurs. This credit consists of the:

- Biodiesel credit,
- Renewable diesel credit,
- Biodiesel mixture credit,
- · Renewable diesel mixture credit, and
- Small agri-biodiesel producer credit.

Definitions and Special Rules

Certification

To claim a credit on lines 1 through 8, you generally must attach the Certificate for Biodiesel and, if applicable, Statement of Biodiesel Reseller, to Form Form 8864 (2008) Page **2**

8864. To claim a credit on lines 4 or 8, the certificate must indicate at all appropriate locations that the fuel to which it relates is renewable diesel and state that the fuel meets the requirements discussed under *Renewable Diesel* below. However, if the certificate or statement was attached to a previously filed claim, attach a separate sheet with the following information.

- Certificate identification number.
- Total gallons of agri-biodiesel, biodiesel other than agri-biodiesel, or renewable diesel on the certificate.
- Total gallons claimed on Schedule 3 (Form 8849).
- Total gallons claimed on Schedule C (Form 720).
- Total gallons claimed on Form 4136.

See Notice 2005-62, 2005-35 I.R.B. 443, or Pub. 510, Excise Taxes, for the model certificate and statement.

Biodiesel

Biodiesel means the monoalkyl esters of long chain fatty acids derived from plant or animal matter which meet the registration requirements for fuels and fuel additives established by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under section 211 of the Clean Air Act, and the requirements of the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) D6751.

Biodiesel produced, sold, or used on or before April 1, 2009, must meet the requirements of ASTM D6751 as in effect either before or after October 13, 2008. Biodiesel produced, sold, or used after April 1, 2009, must meet the new requirements of ASTM D6751 adding the cold soak filtration test (see section 2(c) of Notice 2008-110, 2008-51 I.R.B. 1298).

Biodiesel includes both agri-biodiesel and biodiesel other than agri-biodiesel. Biodiesel does not include:

- For credits claimed on returns filed after May 14, 2008, fuel produced outside the United States or a U.S. possession for use as a fuel outside the United States or a U.S. possession.
- For fuel produced after 2008, any liquid that is eligible for the alcohol and cellulosic biofuel fuels credit (Form 6478).

Agri-Biodiesel

Agri-biodiesel means biodiesel derived solely from virgin oils, including esters derived from virgin vegetable oils from corn, soybeans, sunflower seeds, cottonseeds, canola, crambe, rapeseeds, safflowers, flaxseeds, rice bran, mustard seeds, and (for fuel produced, and sold or used, after 2008) camelina, and from animal fats.

Renewable Diesel

For fuel produced, or sold or used, before 2009, renewable diesel means diesel fuel derived from biomass (defined below) using a thermal depolymerization process which meets the registration requirements for fuels and fuel additives established by the EPA under section 211 of the Clean Air Act, and the requirements of the ASTM D975 or D396. Thermal depolymerization processes use heat and pressure, with or without the presence of catalysts. For details, see Notice 2007-37, 2007-17 I.R.B. 1002.

For fuel produced, and sold or used, after 2008, renewable diesel means liquid fuel derived from biomass (defined below) that meets the registration requirements for fuels and fuel additives established by the EPA under section 211 of the Clean Air Act, and the requirements of the ASTM D975 or D396, or other equivalent standard approved by the IRS, or a Department of Defense specification for military jet fuel or an ASTM specification for aviation turbine fuel. For aviation uses, treat kerosene as diesel fuel when figuring a renewable diesel mixture credit.

Renewable diesel does not include:

- For credits claimed on returns filed after May 14, 2008, fuel produced outside the United States or a U.S. possession for use as a fuel outside the United States or a U.S. possession.
- For fuel produced, and sold or used, after October 3, 2008, any fuel derived from co-processing biomass with feedstock that is not biomass.
- For fuel produced after 2008, any liquid eligible for the alcohol and cellulosic biofuel fuels credit (Form 6478).

Biomass. Biomass means any organic material other than oil and natural gas (or any product thereof) and coal (including lignite) or any product thereof.

Biodiesel and Renewable Diesel Credits

The biodiesel or renewable diesel reported on lines 1 through 4 must not be a mixture. The credits are for biodiesel or renewable diesel which during the tax year you:

- Used as a fuel in a trade or business, or
- Sold at retail to another person and put in the fuel tank of that person's vehicle.

However, no credit is allowed for fuel used in a trade or business that was purchased in a retail sale described above.

Caution. You may be liable for a 24.4 cents per gallon excise tax on biodiesel or renewable diesel you sold (in your trade or business) for use or used in a diesel-powered highway vehicle or diesel-powered train. Report the tax liability on Form 720 on the line for IRS No. 79 for the quarter in which the biodiesel was sold or used or IRS No. 60(b) for the quarter in which the renewable diesel was sold or used.

Biodiesel and Renewable Diesel Mixture Credits

The biodiesel or renewable diesel reported on lines 5 through 8 must be used to make a qualified mixture. A qualified mixture combines biodiesel or renewable diesel with diesel fuel (defined below), determined without regard to any use of kerosene. But treat the kerosene as diesel fuel when figuring a renewable diesel mixture credit for certain aviation fuel (see Renewable Diesel above). The producer of the mixture either:

- Used it as fuel, or
- Sold it as fuel to another person.

The credit is available only to the producer of the mixture. The producer must use or sell the mixture in a trade or business and the credit is available only for the year the mixture is sold or used. The credit is not allowed for casual off-farm production of a qualified mixture.

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Caution. You may be liable for a 24.4 cents per gallon excise tax on biodiesel or renewable diesel used to produce blended taxable fuel outside the bulk transfer terminal system if the mixture is diesel fuel. Report the tax liability on Form 720 on the line for IRS No. 60(c) for the quarter in which the mixture was sold or used.

Diesel fuel. Diesel fuel means:

- Any liquid that, without further processing or blending, is suitable for use as a fuel in a diesel-powered highway vehicle or diesel-powered train, and
- Transmix.

A liquid is suitable for this use if the liquid has practical and commercial fitness for use in the propulsion engine of a diesel-powered highway vehicle or diesel-powered train. A liquid may possess this practical and commercial fitness even though the specified use is not the liquid's predominant use. However, a liquid does not possess this practical and commercial fitness solely by reason of its possible or rare use as a fuel in the propulsion engine of a diesel-powered highway vehicle or diesel-powered train. Diesel fuel does not include gasoline, kerosene, excluded liquid, No. 5 and No. 6 fuel oils covered by ASTM specification D396, or F-76 (Fuel Naval Distillate) covered by military specification MIL-F-16884.

An excluded liquid is any liquid that (a) contains less than 4% normal paraffins, or (b) has a (i) distillation range of 125°F or less, (ii) sulfur content of 10 parts per million or less, and (iii) minimum color of +27 Saybolt. For example, biodiesel is always an excluded liquid because it does not contain paraffins. But a biodiesel mixture may not be an excluded liquid.

Transmix means a by-product of refined products created by the mixing of different specification products during pipeline transportation.

Qualified Agri-Biodiesel Production

Qualified agri-biodiesel production means up to 15 million gallons of agri-biodiesel which is produced by an eligible small agri-biodiesel producer (defined below), and which during the tax year:

- 1. Is sold by such producer to another person:
- a. For use by such person in the production of a qualified biodiesel mixture in such other person's trade or business (other than casual off-farm production),
- b. For use by such person as a fuel in a trade or business, or
- c. Who sells such agri-biodiesel at retail to another person and places such agri-biodiesel in the fuel tank of such other person, or
- 2. Is used or sold by such producer for any purpose described in (1).

Note. Production of renewable diesel is not qualified agri-biodiesel production.

Eligible small agri-biodiesel producer. An eligible small agri-biodiesel producer is a person who, at all times during the tax year, has a productive capacity for agri-biodiesel not in excess of 60 million gallons.

Aggregation rule. All members of the same controlled group of corporations (see section 267(f)) and all persons under common control (see section 52(b) but

treat an interest of more than 50% as a controlling interest) are treated as 1 person for purposes of the 15 and 60 million gallon limits.

Partnership, S corporation, and other pass-through entities. The 15 and 60 million gallon limits discussed above are applied at both the entity level and at the partner or similar level.

Registration

All producers and importers of biodiesel or renewable diesel must be registered with the IRS. All persons producing blended taxable fuel must be registered. See Form 637, Application for Registration (For Certain Excise Tax Activities).

Coordination With Excise Tax Credit

Only one credit may be taken with respect to any amount of biodiesel or renewable diesel. If any amount is claimed (or will be claimed) with respect to any amount of biodiesel or renewable diesel on Form 720, Quarterly Federal Excise Tax Return, Form 8849, Claim for Refund of Excise Taxes, or Form 4136, Credit for Federal Tax Paid on Fuels, then a claim cannot be made on Form 8864 for that amount of biodiesel or renewable diesel.

Recapture of Credit

You must pay a tax on each gallon of biodiesel or renewable diesel on which a credit was claimed at the rate used to figure the credit if you:

- Use it (including a mixture) other than as a fuel,
- Buy it at retail and use it to create a mixture,
- Separate it from a mixture, or
- Use agri-biodiesel on which the small agri-biodiesel producer credit was claimed for a use not described under *Qualified Agri-Biodiesel Production* above.

Report the tax on Form 720, Quarterly Federal Excise Tax Return.

Additional Information

See Pub. 510, Excise Taxes.

Specific Instructions

Use lines 1 through 10 to figure any biodiesel and renewable diesel fuels credit from your own trade or business.

Skip lines 1 through 10 if you are claiming only a credit that was allocated to you from a pass-through entity (that is, an S corporation, partnership, estate, trust, or cooperative).

Line 10

Include this amount in income, under "other income" on the applicable line of your income tax return, even if you cannot use all of the credit because of the tax liability limit. However, if you are subject to alternative minimum tax (AMT), this amount is not income in computing AMT and must be subtracted when figuring your alternative minimum taxable income. Do this by including this amount on line 27 of Form 6251, line 23 of Schedule I (Form 1041), or line 20 of Form 4626.

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Line 11

If you are allocated a small agri-biodiesel producer credit from a pass-through entity, the entity must tell you the number of gallons for which it claimed the credit and its productive capacity for agri-biodiesel. You, as a shareholder, partner, beneficiary, or patron, are subject to the 15 million gallon limitation for line 9 and the 60 million gallon productive capacity limitation for an eligible small agri-biodiesel producer.

Line 13

A cooperative, estate, or trust allocating the small agri-biodiesel credit must give the patron or beneficiary a statement providing them with the number of gallons for which it claimed the credit and its productive capacity for agri-biodiesel. An estate or trust must also provide the amount of the small agri-biodiesel credit included as part of the pass-through credit. See the above instructions for line 11.

Cooperatives. A cooperative described in section 1381(a) can elect to allocate any part of the small agri-biodiesel producer credit among the patrons of the cooperative. The credit is allocated among the patrons eligible to share in patronage dividends on the basis of the quantity or value of business done with or for such patrons for the tax year.

The cooperative is deemed to have made the election by completing line 13. However, the election is not effective unless (a) made on a timely filed return (including extensions) and (b) the organization designates the apportionment in a written notice mailed to its patrons during the payment period described in section 1382(d).

If you timely file your return without making an election, you can still make the election by filing an amended return within 6 months of the due date of the return (excluding extensions). Enter "Filed pursuant to section 301.9100-2" on the amended return.

Once made, the election cannot be revoked.

Estates and trusts. Allocate the biodiesel and renewable diesel fuels credit on line 12 between the estate or trust and the beneficiaries in the same proportion as income was allocated and enter the beneficiaries' share on line 13.

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