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New Legislation Includes Incentives for Biomass, Waste-to-Energy Stakeholders meet at EBW Expo & Conference in Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, PA, 08-Oct-2008 – The Economic Stimulus Bill HR1424, more commonly referred to as "The Bailout", brought with it incentives for renewable energy production that will have a positive impact on the deployment of biomass and waste-to-energy conversion technologies. At the second international "Energy from Biomass and Waste" (EBW) Exposition & Conference on October 14-16, 2008 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, professionals from the power production and waste management business will meet to discuss policy, market trends and new projects.

The bill provides authorization of US\$2 billion of new Clean Renewable Energy Bonds (CREBs) for facilities producing electricity from resources including all types of biomass, landfill gas, and trash combustion. It further extends the biodiesel Production Tax Credit (PTC) for three years, expanding the field to include non-vegetable oil diesel producers, and includes a continuation of E85 station and fossil-free alcohol PTCs. For cellulosic ethanol facilities that are placed into operation before January 1, 2013 the bill provides a 50 percent cost write off.

At the EBW Expo over 70 local and international organizations will be present to exhibit their products and services, highlighting the latest in sustainable energy production and safe waste handling. Conference topics are set to cover techniques, investment and finance, policy and regulation, and work development, in addition to a Youth Program with Career Forum that is new for 2008. EBW is hosted by Germany-based Freesen & Partner GmbH in conjunction with Pittsburgh's Steel City Biofuels. Over 1,000 delegates are expected to attend.

EBW 2008 is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Pennsylvania State University, the West Penn Power Sustainable Energy Fund, and Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. The event is part of the "Energy from Biomass and Waste" series, currently being held in the United States, the United Kingdom and Germany. ENERGY FROM BIOMASS AND WASTE is a registered trademark with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Show Hours:

October 14: 05:00pm-08:00pm Welcome Reception in Exhibit Hall with Keynote Speech

October 15: 09:00am-05:00pm Exhibits Open, Conference Sessions start at 10:00am

October 16: 09:00am-05:00pm Exhibits Open, Conference Sessions start at 10:00am

To view the conference schedule and list of exhibitors visit: <http://www.ebw-expo.com>

About Freesen & Partner:

Freesen & Partner GmbH, in Alpen, Germany is a consulting and event management firm specialized in the fields of energy and the environment. With its in-depth market knowledge and contacts to the international energy and waste industries, the company successfully launched several trade shows and conferences, all of which have become leading forums in their markets.

About Steel City Biofuels:

Steel City Biofuels (SCB), a program of Penn State University (PSU), is dedicated to building the awareness, policy, technology and infrastructure necessary for the sustainable production and use of biofuels in Southwestern Pennsylvania. SCB pursues this mission through the deployment of innovative educational programs for schools, businesses and communities, demonstrations of biofuels technologies, collaborative research projects, and support for efforts to develop biofuel related policies at the Federal, State, and Local levels.

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