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**REG:**

Some guiding principles on designing renewable aviation mandates – Highest carbon reduction per feedstock molecule

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# Discussion Points

- REG products reduce carbon at scale
- Cumulative carbon impact requires GHG reduction sooner than later
- Smart fuels choices based on cost and GHG reduction
- Guiding principles for aviation mandates

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# Diversified footprint of biorefineries enables optimization

**12** Bio-Based Diesel Plants

**651<sup>(1)</sup>** Million Gallons Sold in 2020

REG 2020 Sales were made in:

**41** U.S. States

**7** Canadian Provinces

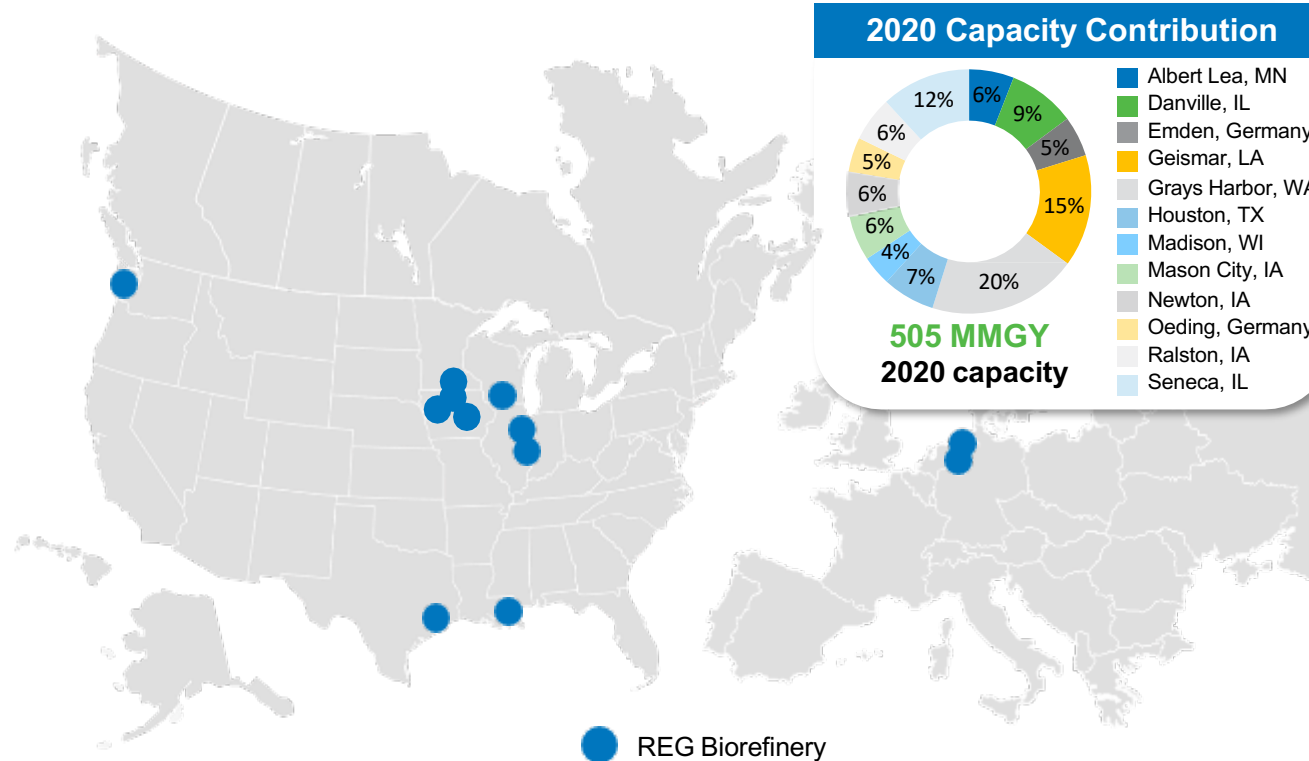
**14** Countries

Global reach with diversified end-market exposure

Integrated model with optimized feedstock and distribution networks


Flexibility and sales optimization to incentivized markets

Proven access to diversified feedstocks



Source: Company  
 (1) Includes self-produced and third-party bio-based diesel and petroleum-based diesel.

# Reducing carbon at scale

 **4.2** MILLION  
METRIC TONS  
OF CARBON REDUCTION<sup>1</sup>

FROM 519 MILLION GALLONS OF BIOFUELS PRODUCED IN 2020

EQUIVALENT TO



GHG EMISSIONS FROM

**10.4** BILLION  
MILES

DRIVEN BY AN AVERAGE  
PASSENGER VEHICLE<sup>2</sup>



CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS FROM

**4.6** BILLION  
POUNDS

OF COAL BURNED<sup>2</sup>



CO<sub>2</sub> SEQUESTERED BY

**5.5** MILLION  
ACRES

OF U.S. FORESTS  
IN ONE YEAR<sup>2</sup>



CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSION REDUCTION FROM

**1.7** MILLION

PASSENGER ELECTRIC VEHICLES  
ON THE ROAD IN ONE YEAR<sup>3</sup>

(1) Carbon reduction based on life cycle analysis of REG-produced fuels versus petroleum diesel.

(2) [epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gas-equivalencies-calculator](https://epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gas-equivalencies-calculator)

(3) Assuming annual travel of 11,484 miles/year and national grid average electricity versus gasoline using CA-GREET

# The urgency of reducing GHG emissions ASAP

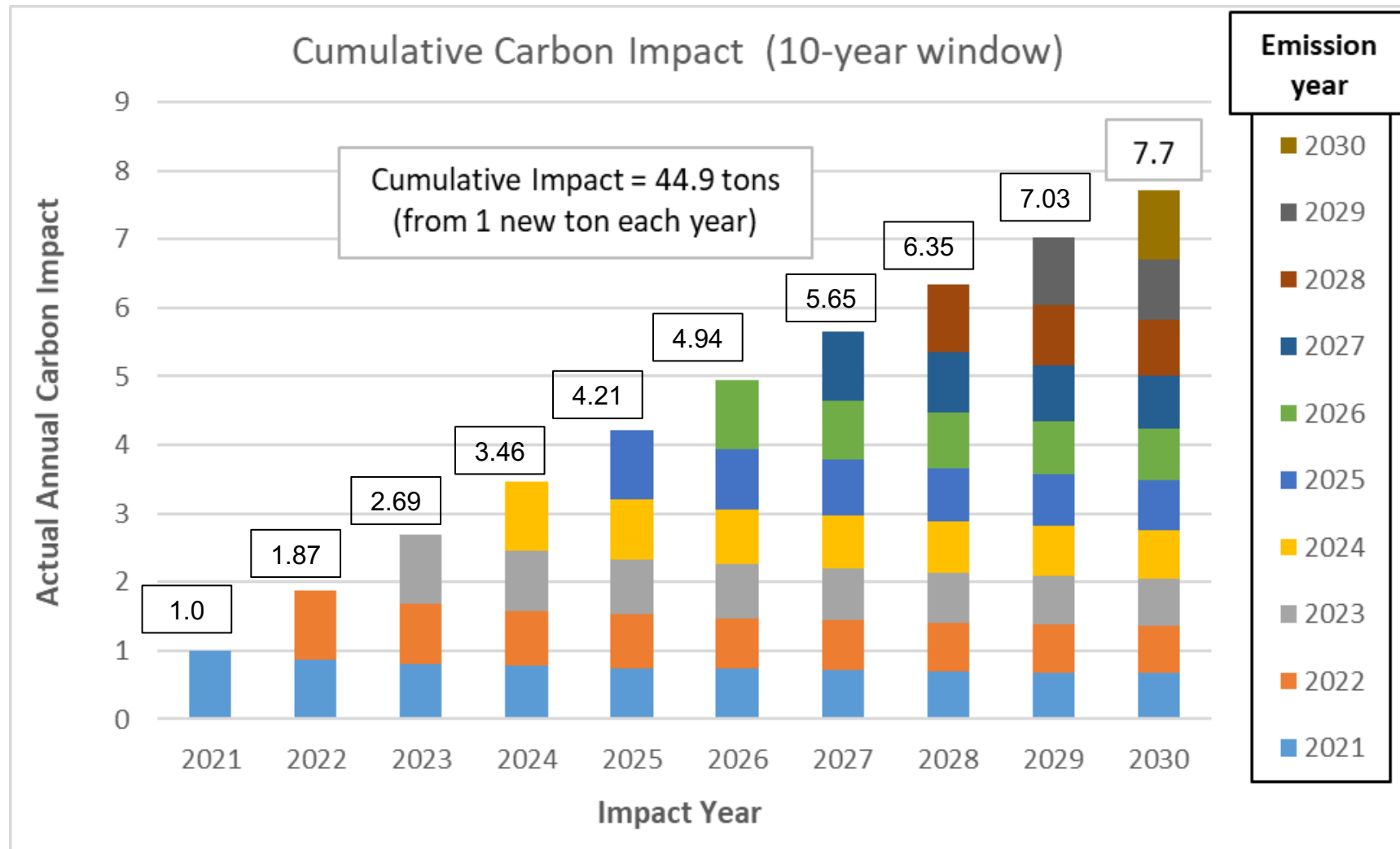
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- Scientists warned that there would be more frequent severe weather events and that they would increase in intensity
  - Unfortunately we are seeing that manifest with tragic consequences
- Many environmental scientists consider this decade to be a critical for climate change mitigation
  - Many entities treat “2030” as a target date by which to achieve an annual GHG reduction target
  - Yet in setting these targets, they have frequently failed to appreciate or prioritize the importance of reducing GHG emissions sooner rather than later





# Accounting for Cumulative Carbon Impact is more accurate



## TAKEAWAYS

- New carbon impacts the atmosphere each year for many years (new carbon = fossil carbon)
- 7.7 tons of new (fossil) carbon in the atmosphere in 2030 (as CO<sub>2</sub>)

\* Using the Bern Carbon Cycle model provided in Ch. 10 of the 4<sup>th</sup> Assessment Report of the IPCC (2007) from Joos et al., 2001.

# Biodiesel and Renewable Diesel (HVO): REG produces both

## BIODIESEL and RENEWABLE DIESEL

use similar feedstocks (FOGs) to make low-carbon, clean burning fuels

### ➤ BIODIESEL

- Mild process conditions
- Low capital intensity
- Plants can be small and close to feedstock source and markets
- Mono-alkyl ester - blend limitations in most applications
- High lubricity

### ➤ RENEWABLE DIESEL

- Severe process conditions
- High capital intensity
- Economies of scale important
- Hydrocarbon - no blend limitations
- High cetane
- Can be cracked and distilled to make sustainable aviation fuel (SAF); SAF blend limit is 50%

➤ **REG Ultra Clean<sup>®</sup>**: A biodiesel/renewable diesel blend with specific advantages derived from the positive properties of each fuel.

REDII, annex V: waste **BIODIESEL** reduces more GHG emissions





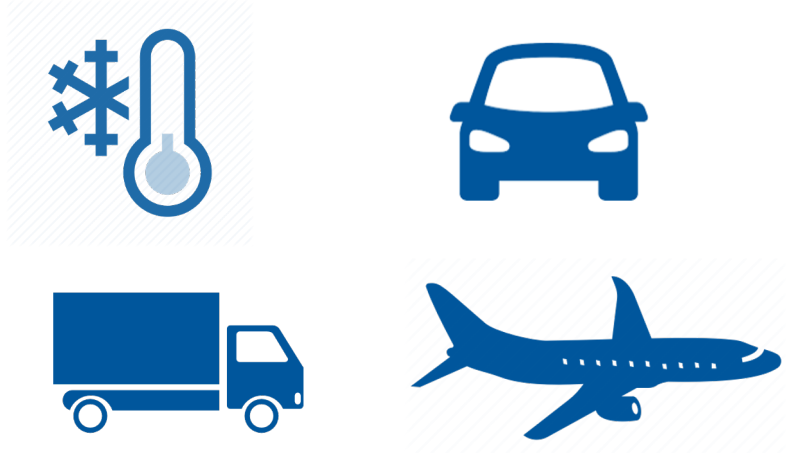
# Future fuel choices must be smarter

Economics, market needs and benefits of different solutions could influence biofuel choices and destination of waste feedstocks such as UCO

## ➤ BIODIESEL

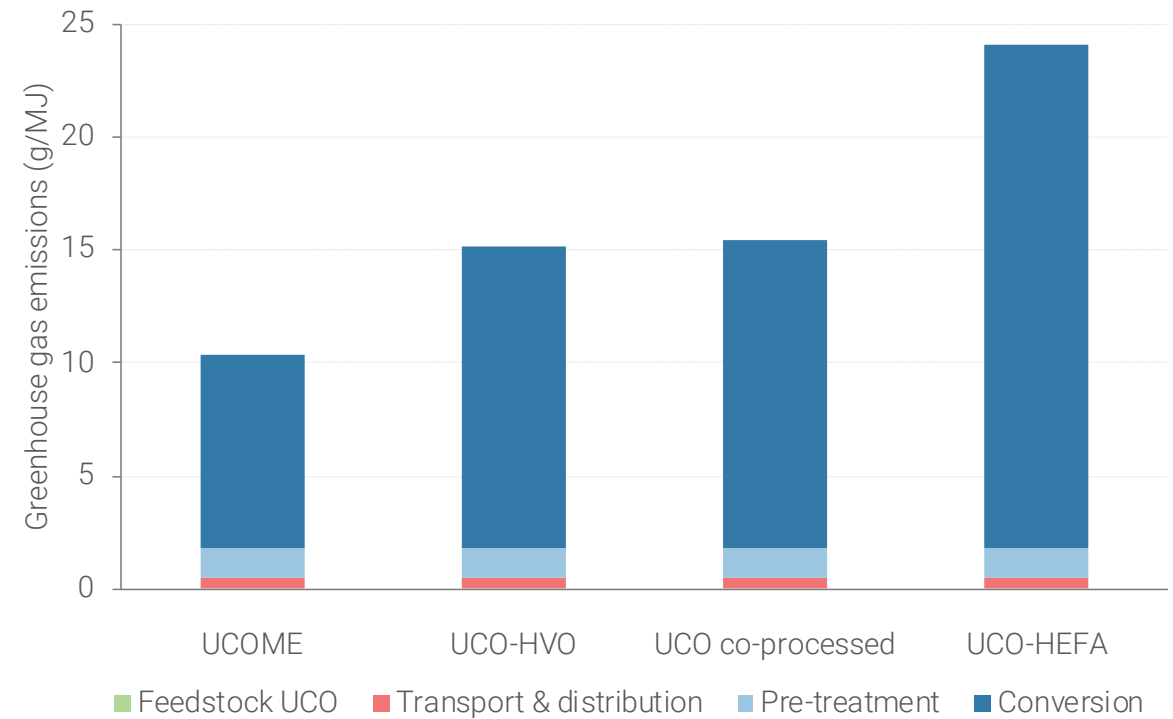


## ➤ RENEWABLE DIESEL



# Which UCO pathway delivers the highest environmental benefits? Independent analysis

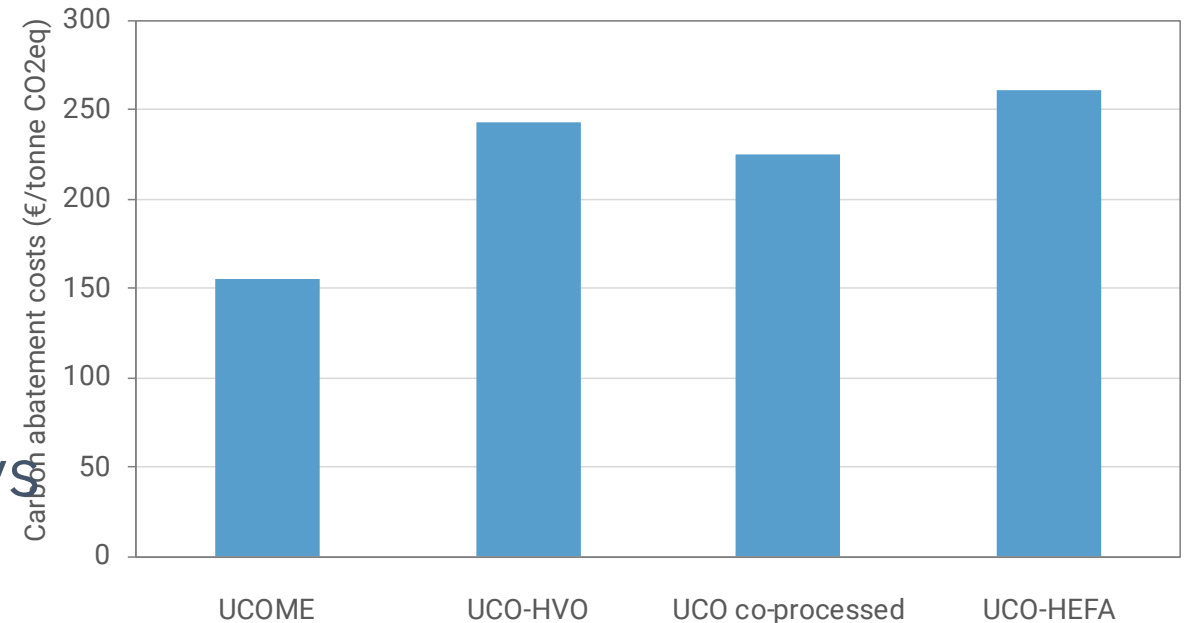
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Studio Gear Up (Amsterdam) study, 2021: Results

# Which UCO pathway requires the lowest carbon abatement costs? Independent analysis

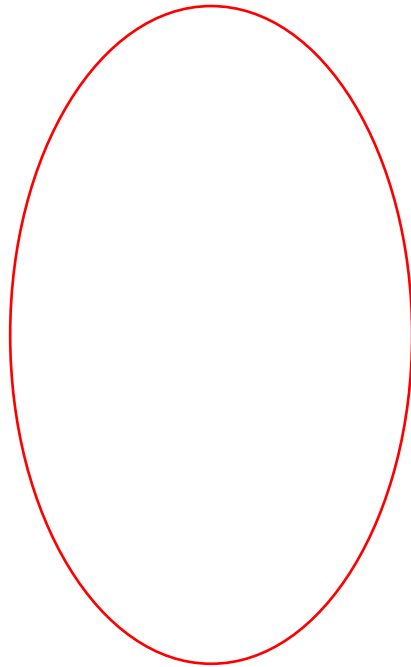
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# EU SAF mandate will lead to increase in GHGs by millions of tons

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**Impact on  
feedstock use  
according to EWABA,  
European Waste-based  
& Advanced Biofuels  
Association**



# Principles for sustainable aviation mandates

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- Include SAF in policies which are available for other biofuels and vice-versa
  
- For example, SAF is eligible for
  - (i) U.S. RFS RIN generation;
  - (ii) U.S. Blenders Tax Credit (BTC);
  - (iii) CA, OR, WA LCFS;
  - (iv) Bio-tickets in the Netherlands under RED

# Principles for renewable aviation mandates

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- Policies should be performance-based and should increase overall decarbonization
- As a result of different lifecycle GHG reduction efficiencies (per unit feedstock or per unit energy or per unit overall cost), generic SAF policies that treat all SAF equally should be carefully evaluated and considered
- SAF policies, especially large incentives which apply equally to “all types” of SAF, irrespective of different pathways and benefits, may result in inefficient use of resources

# Principles for renewable aviation mandates

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- Incentivize SAF in relation to the benefit provided
- SAF policies should not result in the displacement of other more beneficial biofuels
- Given different technology pathways and different feedstock carbon intensities, an overarching policy/incentive for “all SAF” is questionable



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