



## **News Release**

### **CalBio Announces UGI Investment in Additional Renewable Natural Gas Projects in South Dakota January 05, 2023**

- *UGI invests approximately \$150 million in two new clusters of RNG projects located in South Dakota*
- *Expects to generate approximately 525 million cubic feet of RNG annually once these projects are completed in calendar year 2024*
- *GHI Energy, a wholly owned subsidiary of UGI, to be the exclusive marketer for these projects*

Visalia, CA, January 5<sup>th</sup> 2023 – California Bioenergy LLC (“CalBio”) announced today that its joint venture company, MBL Bioenergy, has entered an agreement to develop its second and third clusters of dairy manure waste to renewable natural gas (“RNG”) projects in South Dakota. In total, these additional projects will represent approximately \$150 million of investment by MBL Bioenergy, of which 100% of the funds will be provided by UGI Energy Services, LLC (“UGIES”), a subsidiary of UGI. MBL Bioenergy is a joint venture partnership between UGIES, Sevana Bioenergy and a subsidiary of California Bioenergy (“CalBio”) with the sole purpose of developing RNG projects in South Dakota.



-  Lakeside Cluster
-  Brookings Cluster
-  Moody Cluster

*“This project sets a new standard for UGI in terms of scope and size and represents a key milestone in UGI’s investments in RNG projects,” said Robert F. Beard, Chief Operations Officer, UGI. “We are pleased to be partnering with industry-leading developers on this project that will substantially reduce greenhouse gas emissions, using dairy RNG as a vehicle fuel. In May of 2022, UGI committed over \$70 million of investment to fund the Moody cluster of three dairies. The Moody cluster is now well into construction and anticipated to be online in late 2023. We look forward to making additional investments in our MBL partnership as we advance the use of RNG as an environmentally responsible and clean energy solution.”*

The previously announced first cluster, Moody, is already under construction. This second cluster project, Brookings, will be built at three farms located near Estelline, South Dakota, and is expected to generate approximately 300 million cubic feet of RNG annually once completed in calendar year 2024. Dairy waste from the farms will be anaerobically digested, producing biogas which will then be piped to a gas upgrading facility before it is delivered into the local natural gas distribution system.

The third cluster project, Lakeside, will be built at two farms located near Summit, South Dakota, and is expected to generate approximately 225 million cubic feet of RNG annually once completed in calendar year 2024. Similar to the second cluster, dairy waste from the farms will be anaerobically digested and biogas piped to a gas upgrading facility before it is delivered into the local natural gas distribution system. UGIES, through its wholly owned subsidiary, GHI Energy, will be the exclusive marketer for MBL Bioenergy for these projects.

*“This expansion of our partnership with UGI is another important step forward in expanding our carbon negative renewable natural gas business,” said N. Ross Buckenham, CEO of CalBio. “Our dairy methane capture and refining projects are delivering significant environmental benefits, improving economics for dairy farm partners and supplying a clean burning diesel replacement fuel.”*

### **About UGI Corporation**

UGI Corporation is a distributor and marketer of energy products and services. Through subsidiaries, UGI operates natural gas and electric utilities in Pennsylvania, natural gas utilities in West Virginia, distributes LPG both domestically (through AmeriGas) and internationally (through UGI International), manages midstream energy assets in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia and electric generation assets in Pennsylvania, and engages in

energy marketing, including renewable natural gas in the Mid-Atlantic region of the United States and California, and internationally in France, Belgium, and the Netherlands.

Comprehensive information about UGI Corporation is available on the Internet at <https://www.ugicorp.com>.

### **About CalBio**

CalBio is a leading developer of dairy digesters for generating renewable vehicle fuel and electricity. Founded in 2006, CalBio works closely with local and state agencies, the California Air Resources Board, USDA, the dairy industry and individual dairy farmers to achieve methane reductions, protect local air and water quality, and create jobs. CalBio is currently operating and/or developing over 100 dairy digester projects in California and now through its affiliates: Midwest Bio, Northwest Bio, and Southwest Bio, is developing projects across the west.

For more information visit CalBio at [www.calbioenergy.com](http://www.calbioenergy.com).

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