



ANNOUNCEMENT

Quality Standard for Biofuels and Biofuel Blends for Gasoline and Diesel

In support of the Biofuels Act of 2006, the Technical Committee on Petroleum Products and Additives (TCPPA) co-chaired by the Department of Energy - Oil Industry Management Bureau (DOE-OIMB) and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has completed the product quality specification for the following biofuel-blended petroleum products:

- PNS/DOE QS 004:2009 – Petroleum Products – FAME-blended Diesel Oils (B2) Specification
- PNS/DOE QS 008:2009 – Petroleum Products – E-gasoline (E-10 multigrade) Specification

The above has been adopted and promulgated by the Bureau of Product Standards (BPS) as Philippine National Standards (PNS) effective 3 February 2009.

The PNS for B2 specification shall be the new quality standard for all diesel to be sold upon the implementation of the mandate to increase the biodiesel blend to two percent (2%), superseding the current PNS for B1 which has been in effect since 2007.

On the other hand, the latest PNS for E10 shall allow the introduction and sale of 10% E-gasoline both for 93RON and 95RON gasoline grades, in order to facilitate the initiatives to increase the potential market pool for E-gasoline in the transport sector. It shall be noted that there are no other E-gasoline blends allowed for commerce at the moment.

Complementing these biofuel blend specifications are the corresponding quality specifications for the pure biofuels, to wit:

- PNS/DOE QS 002:2007 – Biofuels – Coconut methyl ester (B100) Specification
- PNS/DOE QS 007:2005 – Anhydrous bioethanol fuel Specification
(including denatured bioethanol)

The Oil Industry Management Bureau shall continue the product quality monitoring for all the above biofuel-blended products including conventional fuels at the various points of the distribution chain to ensure compliance to the Philippine National Standards (PNS).



Director Monsada (DOE-OIMB), Chairperson-TCPPA with Co-chair Ms. Jean Rosete (DENR-EMB) and members of the TCPPA signing the final specifications for the B2 and E10 multigrade standards last 14 January 2009. Said standard specification was promulgated by the BPS as Philippine National Standard for B2 and E10 last 3 February 2009.