

Success Story

Oakhurst Dairy Portland Maine



Oakhurst Dairy is a family owned business since 1921 and the only truly local major dairy that supports local farms in Maine and Northern New England. Oakhurst Dairy has received numerous awards for their environmental stewardship including the *Heavy-Duty Trucking's* Top 50 Green Fleets of 2014 and recently the Northern Stars of New England awarded by Maine Clean Communities. Oakhurst has demonstrated a

strong commitment to reducing their petroleum consumption, mainly through the use of biodiesel. Other steps they have taken include a company-wide anti-idling policy, fuel consumption monitoring and reporting system, and a preventative maintenance program. In addition, Oakhurst has four hybrid diesel-electric Class 8 milk delivery trucks.

Oakhurst operates over 90% of their fleet utilizing fuel blends of at least 20% biodiesel (B20) blended with petroleum diesel throughout the year. With 78 vehicles, Oakhurst this past year consumed 140,000 gallons of biodiesel replacing 34% of its fuel use with biodiesel, between B20 and B50 blends depending on the time of year, cutting its greenhouse gas emissions by 4.5 million pounds.

David Green promotes the use of biodiesel through membership in Clean Cities in Maine and New Hampshire.

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“Today it’s possible for trucking fleets to use biodiesel without having to make equipment modifications and the benefits are really significant. Not only are we able to reduce our overall fuel emissions – a positive for the environment and our community – but we are also able to decrease total fuel costs – a positive for our business bottom line.”

- DAVID GREEN, FLEET MANAGER

