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NEXT Renewable Fuels, Inc. Promotes Gene Cotten to President

Houston, Texas – March 22th 2020 – NEXT Renewable Fuels is please to announce that Gene Cotton, the company’s Senior Vice President of Project Execution & Engineering has been promoted to President. As President, Mr. Cotten will supervise all aspects of the permitting and engineering of the company’s proposed \$ 1.6 billion advanced biofuel production facility to be located at Port Westward, Oregon.

Mr. Cotten brings his over 35 years of experience in project design, engineering and execution in the gas, oil and renewable energy industries. He has worked for several major energy companies as well as spent over a decade of working in project design and execution as a third-party consultant. As a third-party adviser, Mr. Cotten worked on NEXT’s Oregon renewable diesel project for the over 3 years before making his transition to first the SVP role and now President as the project enters the FEED and then construction phase.

“NEXT has been very pleased with Gene’s work as a Senior Vice President and feels his move to President is a natural progression. His unique mix of experiences with chemical, mechanical and design engineering along with hands-on plant operations in both traditional energy and renewable energy projects make him the ideal person to lead NEXT project through the design and construction phases and into operations”, said Christopher Efird, the Executive Chairman of NEXT.

More information about the NEXT Project is available at the company’s NEXT Project Page at www.nextrenewables.com.

NEXT Renewables is building a state-of-the-art facility at Port Westward to produce advanced green diesel. Our project is currently in the planning and permitting phase. For more information contact, Anna Richter Taylor, NEXT Media Relations, at 503-867-8100 Ext. 211.

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