

Gene Gebolys

Founder, President, CEO

For two decades now, Mr. Gebolys has championed biodiesel's development in the U.S. and throughout the world. He founded World Energy in 1998 as the extension of an effort started in 1994. He built a company that would play a leading role in building an industry. World Energy has helped foster biodiesel's growth in Europe, South America, Southeast Asia, and all regions of the United States and has been among the most enduring and innovative forces in the space. The company has been recognized by Platts as its Global Downstream Company of the Year and by the US Department of Energy as its Stakeholder of the Year. World Energy now offers over 100 million gallons of production capacity from three manufacturing plants as well as targeted managerial and technical services to the biofuels market.

Mr. Gebolys was the founding Chairman of the National Biodiesel Political Action Committee and was a founding Commissioner of the National Biodiesel Accreditation Commission (BQ-9000). He was Chair of the National Biodiesel Board's Regulatory Committee for five years during the establishment of the industry's most critical public policy supports including the establishment of the Biodiesel Blenders Tax Credit and both Federal Renewable Fuels Standards (RFS1 and RFS2). He now chairs the industry's RFS2 Task Force as he has since its inception in 2009, leading the US biomass based diesel industries annual policy and advocacy work regarding this bedrock national policy.

Prior to founding World Energy, Mr. Gebolys was Vice President for Alternative Fuels for Twin Rivers Technologies Inc, the United States' first stand-alone biodiesel business. He previously served as a senior economic development official under former Massachusetts Governor William Weld and is a former urban planner. Mr. Gebolys was once named one of Boston's 40 most influential leaders under 40 by the Boston Business Journal.

He holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Harvard University and Bachelor of Science degrees in Economics and Business Management from The Ohio State University.