

## Technip awarded contract for a new biodiesel unit in France

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Technip has been awarded by Diester Industrie a turnkey contract for a new biodiesel (\*) unit, based on the Axens process, to be built in Venette, near Compiègne, France.

This project falls within the scope of the program set up by the French authorities for the development of biofuels, intended to reduce transportation-related pollution.

This new unit, with a capacity of 100,000 t/y, will double the site's current production. The unit's start-up is scheduled for the third quarter of 2006.

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