### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

### Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 9, 2019

Gevo, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **001-35073** (Commission File Number) **87-0747704** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

345 Inverness Drive South, Building C, Suite 301 Englewood, CO 80112

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 858-8358

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading symbol	Name of exchange on which registered		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	GEVO	Nasdaq Capital Market		

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On September 9, 2019, Gevo, Inc. will be presenting at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual H.C. Wainwright Global Investment Conference in New York City. The presentation materials to be utilized during the conference are furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Investor Presentation, September 2019.

### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

### GEVO, INC.

Dated: September 9, 2019

By:

/s/ Geoffrey T. Williams, Jr.

Geoffrey T. Williams, Jr. General Counsel and Secretary



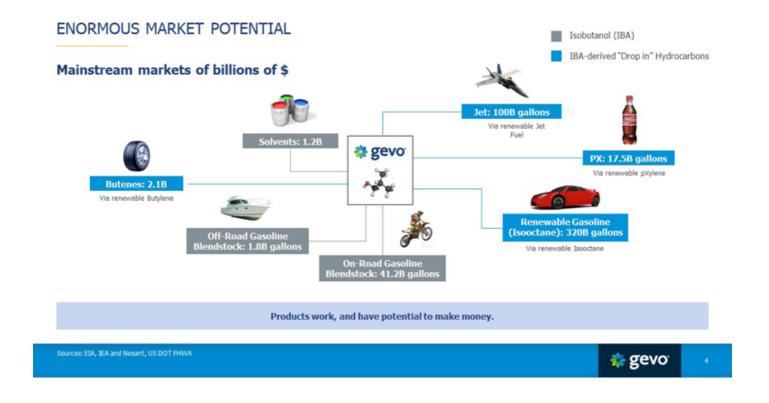
# FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

Any statements in this presentation about our future expectations, plans, outlook and prospects, and other statements containing the words "believes," "anticipates," "plans," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may" and similar expressions, constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including risks relating to: the success of our sales and production efforts in support of the commercialization of our products; our growth plans and strategies; our technologies; the sizes of markets for our products; the benefits and characteristics of our products; letters of intent or LOIs relating to potential sources of capital; our ability to raise funds to continue operations or fund growth projects; our projected revenues or sales; our ability to become profitable; laws and regulations supporting or providing economic advantages to low-carbon products; the potential that adverse changes could be made to laws and regulations supporting or providing economic advantages to low-carbon products; and other factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 and in other filings that we periodically make with the SEC. In addition, the forward-looking statements included in this investor presentation represent our views as of the date of this investor presentation. Important factors could cause our actual results to differ materially from those indicated or implied by forward-looking statements, and as such we anticipate that subsequent events and developments will cause our views to change. However, while we may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, we specifically disclaim any obligation to do so. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing our views as of any date subsequent to the date of this investor presentation.

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# FOCUS: VERY LOW CARBON FUELS (AND CHEMICALS) THAT CAN MAKE MONEY







## SUMMARY

### **Business Overview**

- · Headquarters: Englewood, CO
- Founded: 2005
- Employees: ~50 (20 in Colorado, 30 in Minnesota) + 20 Contractors
- Proprietary technology position (patents and know-how) for the production of isobutanol and hydrocarbon fuels and chemicals
- Technologies proven to work
- · Produces: Ethanol, IBA, Jet Fuel, Isooctane, Feed, Corn Oil

### **Facility Overview**

- · Corporate Headquarters (Englewood, CO) Offices and Labs .
  - Alcohol Production Facility (Luverne, MN) 20MGPY Ethanol, 1.5 MGPY IBA. Potential for low carbon credits. Potential to build out IBA to 14-18 MGPY leveraging already install capex
- Jet and Isooctane Biorefinery\* (Silsbee, TX) Demo/specialty commercial facility that transforms isobutanol to jet fuel, isooctane and para-xylene (PX). 100 KGPY of capacity





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**End Markets Served Customers, Partnerships, and Agreements** · Renewable jet fuel · Renewable gasoline (isooctane) 0 ≛ 🕑 Lufthansa V Haltermann Carless Specialty gasoline blendstocks - "Ethanol (ETOH) free" high octane gasoline · Marine / Off-road blendstock Calda BCD · On-road use for high performance, racing and classic cars - Low carbon ethanol australia -MORONOL · Animal Feed, protein, and corn oil Specialty chemicals and solvents

The customers and partners on this side represent current and past customers/partners \*Operated in Partnership with South Hampton Resources, Inc. 🎇 gevo

# OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Cash

- \$29 Million (6/30/2019):

Debt

- 2020 Notes (Whitebox): \$13.9 million principal (8/21/2019):

- Common Shares
  - ≈ 13.4 million (8/21/2019):
- Warrants

- 54,989 Warrants outstanding @ avg of \$44/share (8/21/2019):

Current Analysts

- Amit Dyal, HC Wainwright

- Management and Insider holdings
  - 10.8% of stock (8/21/19)

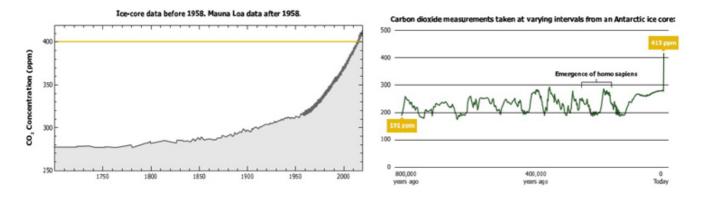
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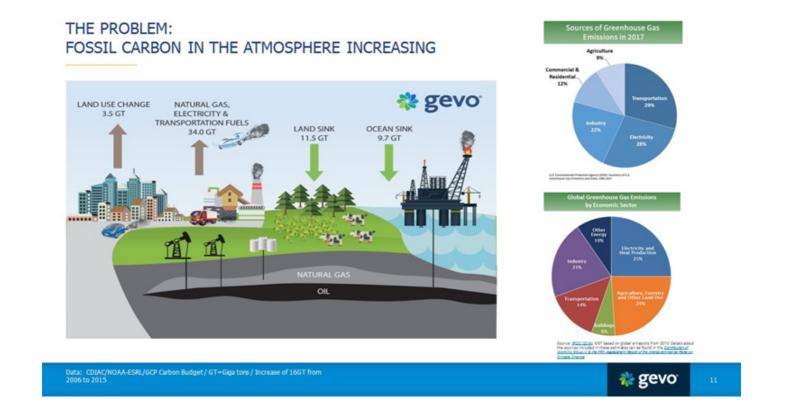
# A NEW WORLD RECORD EVERY YEAR

- Latest CO<sub>2</sub> reading May 11, 2019
- Carbon dioxide levels at 800,000-year high

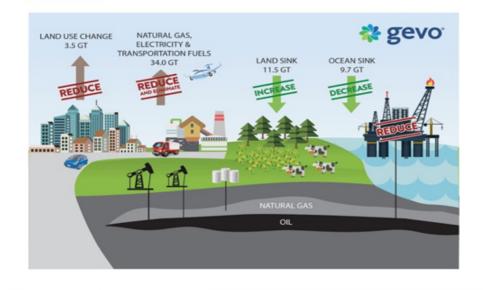


Source: World Data Center for Paleocimatology, Boulder and NOAA, Paleocimatology Program





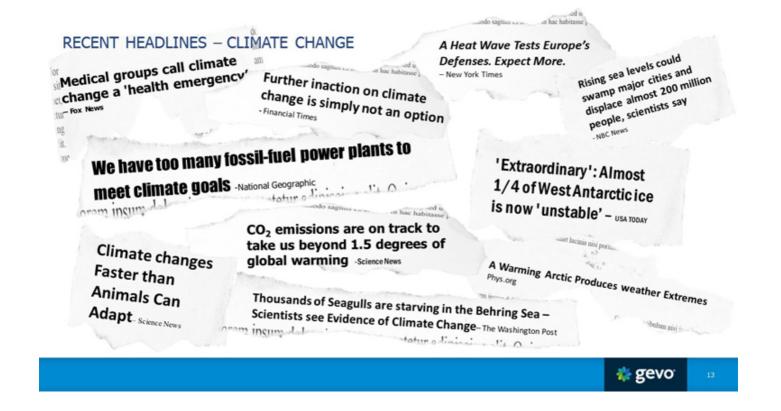
# WHAT CAN WE DO?



- Eliminate burning of fossil based carbon in production of electricity and transportation fuels
- Use forestry and agriculture to capture carbon in the soil, plants, and trees

Data: CDIAC/NOAA-ESRL/GCP Carbon Budget / GT=Giga tons









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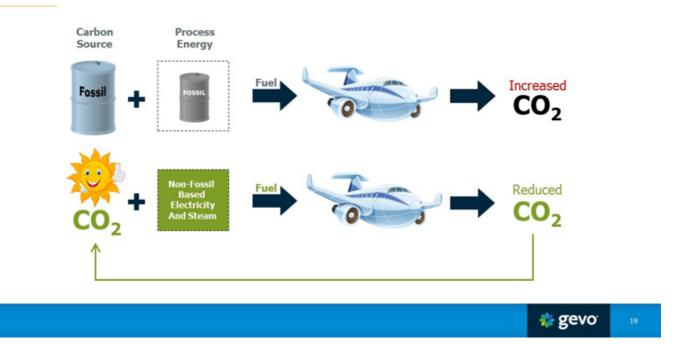
# WE ARE GOING AFTER THE "WHOLE GALLON"

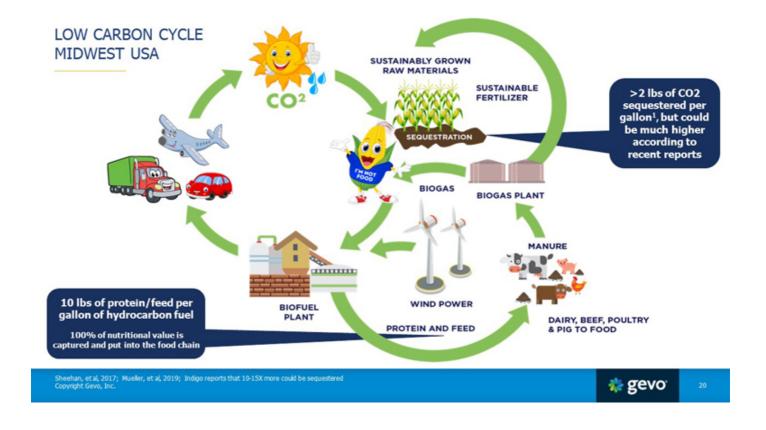


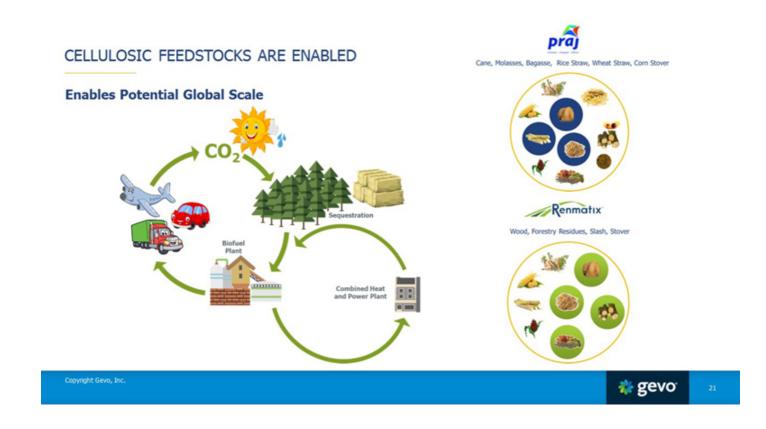
- Huge potential to change the game, possibly even negative carbon emission
- Compliment electrification of the transportation sector (not all regions can be easily electrified)
- Doesn't require change of transportation engines (autos or jet), or fuel infrastructure

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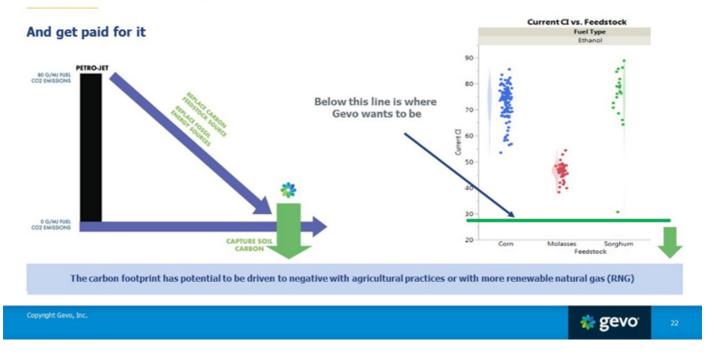
# REPLACE THE **CARBON SOURCE** AND **ENERGY SOURCE** TO ELIMINATE GHG'S FROM FUELS



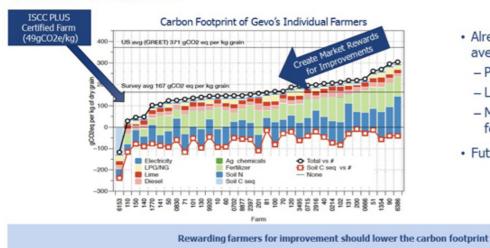




# WE CAN GET TO VERY LOW CARBON FOOTPRINTS



### Measure, Improve, Reward

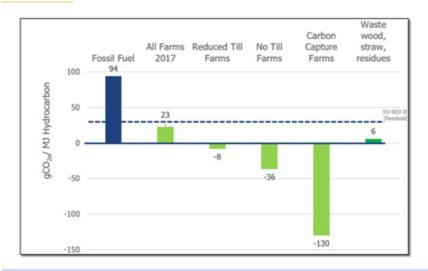


- Already lower than the US average by 50%
  - Precision agriculture
  - Low till/notill planting
  - Moving to manure based fertilizer

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· Future upside potential

# HOW TO REVERSE GHG'S AND GENERATE PROTEIN FOR FOOD CHAIN



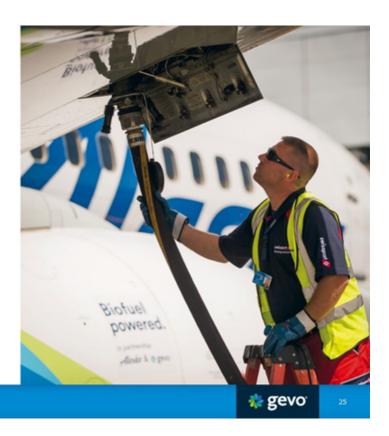
### Agriculture improvements are practical and being done

- We fully expect to be able to meet RED II, RSB, and ISCC requirements
- Agricultural improvements can lead to sequestered carbon in the right systems
- Agricultural improvements frequently lead to higher yield and more protein

Companies such as Indigo, Farmers Business Network, and Locus, believe that soil carbon capture can be dramatically increased leading to orders of magnitude increase by building root systems. If true the amount of carbon capture per gallon could be in the 10's of kgs per gallon. We are working with these companies to figure it out.



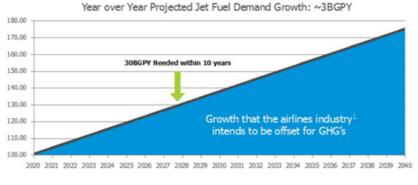
HOW TO ACHIEVE PROFITABILITY AND GET ON THE PATH TO A MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR BUSINESS



# THE AVIATION INDUSTRY HAS AN OPPORTUNITY... AND A PROBLEM

They are expecting to experience strong growth.... but, they have promised to hold GHG emissions flat from 2020 onward

### World Jet Fuel Demand



Sources: International Air Transport Association (IATA); EIA 2016 Annual Energy Outbook



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# GEVO JET FUEL



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# PRODUCTS WORK, WE ARE BUILDING EXPERIENCE



# WE INTEND TO REPLACE THE "WHOLE GALLON" OF GASOLINE

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# **Starting with Isooctane**

- Key ingredient. It works; we are making it and selling it
- Small engine, packaged fuels, engine OEM and racing

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Product Code: IBF007 Product Description: Renev	vable isooctane				
Tests	Method	Specification	Results		
Appearance at 60°F (15°C)	Visual	Bright and Clear	Pass		
Density @ 60°F (lb/gal)	ASTM D4052	Report	5.88		
Bio Content	ASTM D6866	>95%	>95%		
Water (mg/kg)	ASTM D06304	<150 ppm	91 ppm		
Olefin	ASTM D1319	<5.0%	0.0%		
Sulfur Content (mg/kg)	ASTM D5453	<10.0%	<0.16 ppm		
Reed Vapor Pressure	ASTM D5191	Report	1.7 psi		
Research Octance Number (RON)*	ASTM D2699	>95	98.0		
GC Analysis - C8 Content	Gevo F36	>95%	96.1%		



# ISOOCTANE IN PERFORMANCE FUELS

Start with high value niche Up to 4MGPY under take-or-pay contract

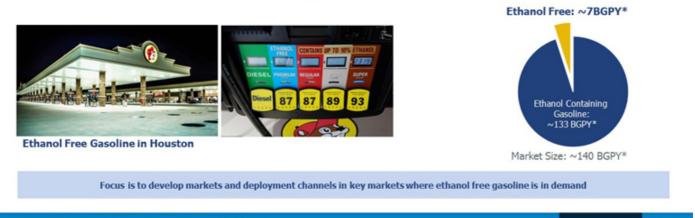




# ISOBUTANOL AS A GASOLINE BLENDSTOCK

### Isobutanol delivers better properties than other renewable alcohol blendstocks

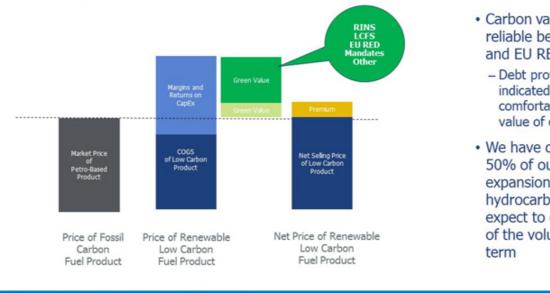
- · Higher energy (potential for more miles per gallon)
- · Less corrosivity (less wear and tear on certain types of engines)



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\*Sources: US DOE – gasoline, US EPA/American Petroleum Institute: E0 market size, Stilwater consulting

# WE CAN BE COST COMPETITIVE WITH COMMODITY PETRO-BASED FUELS AND OTHER HYDROCARBON PRODUCTS

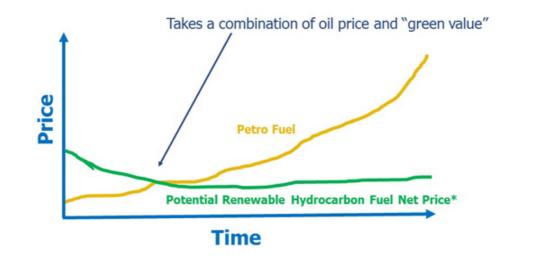


The information on this page is illustrative and the graphs are not to scale. The selling prices are dependent on a umber of known and unknownflactors, including, but not limited to, the price of oil, the price of comparable oiland products, menvable or "green" carbon value, and the laws and regulations affecting menwable carbon value.

- Carbon value is more reliable because of LCFS and EU RED policies
  - Debt providers have indicated that they are more comfortable with ongoing value of carbon
- We have contracted about 50% of our planned expansion for IBA and hydrocarbon, and we expect to complete the rest of the volume in the near term

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# RENEWABLE HYDROCARBONS SHOULD EVENTUALLY BE LESS EXPENSIVE



\* ATJ estimated economics are based on optimized future plant and include RIN and tax credits Source: EIA 2016 Annual Energy Outbook, USDA Agricultural Projections to 2025, Global Harvest Instatute

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# Our Technology and Products

Process and products proven to work



# MAKING PRODUCTS



Operated in Partnership with South Hampton Resources, Inc.

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# CURRENT PRODUCTION & PRODUCTS

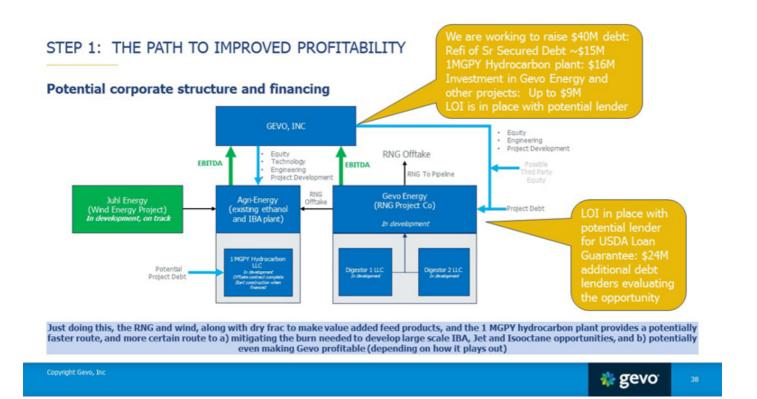


Approximate Capacities

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STEP 1-ROAD MAP TO SCALE: SET UP LUVERNE FOR LOW CARBON ALCOHOL PRODUCTION, ADD 1 MGPY HYDROCARBON CAPACITY TO IMPROVE PROFITABILITY

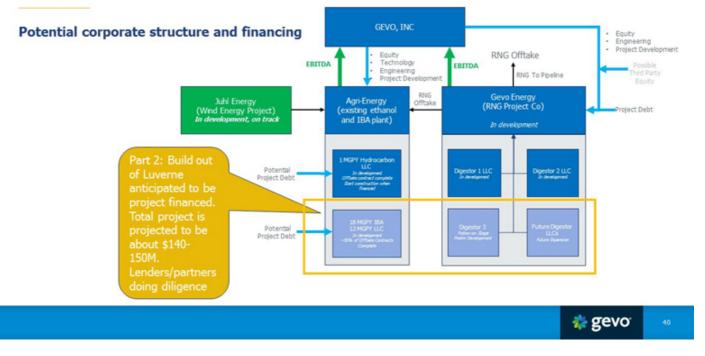




# STEP 2-ROAD MAP TO SCALE: BUILD OUT LARGE SCALE IBA AND HYDROCARBONS (JET AND ISOOCTANE)



# STEP 2: THE PATH TO LARGE GROWTH



# STEP 3: GROW AND LICENSE

	BUILD OU	T STRATEGIES
Side-by-Side model of isob /Retrofit Opportunities		: Luverne facility validates the tanol/ethanol co-production exist to completely retrofit and erperforming ethanol plants
		scussion for projects other 2 with MOU's in place
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# PLAN FOR REVENUE GROWTH<sup>1</sup>

	Step 1 PROJECTED 2021 Value added products and deploy low carbon energy at Luverne plant		Step 2 PROJECTED Earliest could be 2023/2024 Expand Luverne plant to achieve economies of scale for IBA, Jet Fuel, and Isooctane		Step 3 TBD Future large IBA plant with 26 MGPY hydrocarbons	
Product						
	Sales	Revenue <sup>2</sup> (\$MM)	Sales	Revenue <sup>2</sup> (\$MM)	Sales	Revenue <sup>2</sup> (\$MM)
Ethanol (MGPY)	20-23 MGPY	\$35-40	20-26 MGPY	\$35-40		
Gevo Energy RNG <sup>5</sup>			400kmmbtu	\$20-25	400kmmbtu	\$20-25
IBA	300 kGPY	\$1-2	2 MGPY	\$5-7	5 MGPY	\$12-15
Hydrocarbons	1 MGPY <sup>4</sup>	\$12-15	10 MGPY	\$50-60	26 MGPY	\$120-135
Protein, Feed, Food Products, other products	50-70 kt	\$15-20	100-130 kt	\$15-20	100-130 kt	\$15-25
Total	Total	\$63-77	Total	\$125-152	Total	\$167-200
	Addition of Shodowave Dry Frac     Add wind electricity and RNG for		<ul> <li>Add 14-18 MGPY IBA capacity and 10 MGPY hydrocarbon capacity to Luverne</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>40 MGPY IBA capacity with 26 MGPY hydrocarbons</li> </ul>	

Add wind electricity and RNG for energy

capacity to Luverne

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## BUSINESS SUMMARY

### The Problem:

- · Fossil fuels emit fossil greenhouse gasses (GHGs)
- · Companies want to mitigate liability
- · Governments want to reduce GHG emissions
- · Consumer's care about pollution and want GHGs addressed

### The Solution:

- "Decarbonize." Lower the carbon footprint of fuels by replacing the fossil carbon with "green" carbon. Use renewable energy in the production of mainstream liquid fuel products with enhanced properties: Isobutanol (IBA), jet fuel, isooctane for renewable gasoline.
- Gevo has proven proprietary technology to "decarbonize" IBA, jet fuel and isooctane for renewable gasoline

#### **Business Strategy:**

- Gevo has shown that the technologies work and that products have potential to meet the market needs
- Aggregate the demand of renewable IBA, jet fuel, and hydrocarbons and work to secure financeable off-take that support project financing for the build-out of IBA, jet fuel and isooctane.
- Use low carbon ethanol to improve profitability and establish plant site infrastructure for expansion to make larger scale low carbon IBA, jet fuel and isooctane. With low CI ethanol, we expect to reduce our cash burn (GSA&RD) over the next two years, potentially even becoming profitable on a Cash EBITDA<sup>1</sup> basis, depending on spend needed for IBA and Hydrocarbons.
- Build out IBA, jet, and isooctane, with project financing (currently targeting 30% equity and 70% debt). Luverne production site would be expected to have potential to achieve over \$100 M per year revenue and Gevo could become profitable on a Cash EBITDA<sup>1</sup> basis. Establish growth in multiple markets by producing and selling products.
- License technology establishing large production facilities in other regions of the world

1 Cash EBITDA is a non-GAAP measure and is calculated by adding depreciation and noncash stock compensation to GAAP loss/income from operations.



# Thank You

