# **Net-Zero 1 Project Update**

**Conditional Commitment For DOE Loan Guarantee Obtained** 



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# Gevo's Net-Zero 1 Project ("NZ-1") Achieves Major Milestone

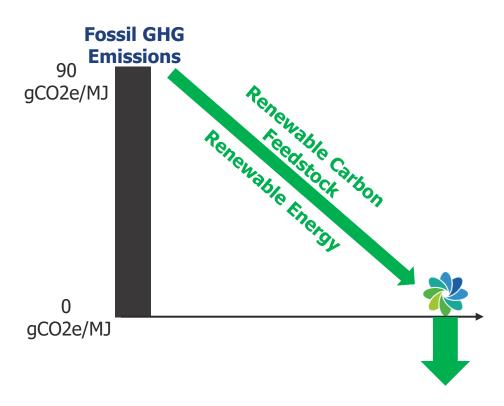


- NZ-1 is the first-ever, large-scale Alcohol-to-Jet ("ATJ") project to receive a DOE LPO commitment
  - U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") Loan Programs Office ("LPO") has issued conditional commitment approval for a \$1.63 billion direct loan facility for construction of NZ-1
  - Commitment includes \$1.46 billion for construction plus interest during construction of \$170 million
- The DOE loan facility will provide majority of the expected capital needed for the project
- The de-risking achieved in order to obtain the DOE conditional commitment likely to facilitate raising the remaining project level equity

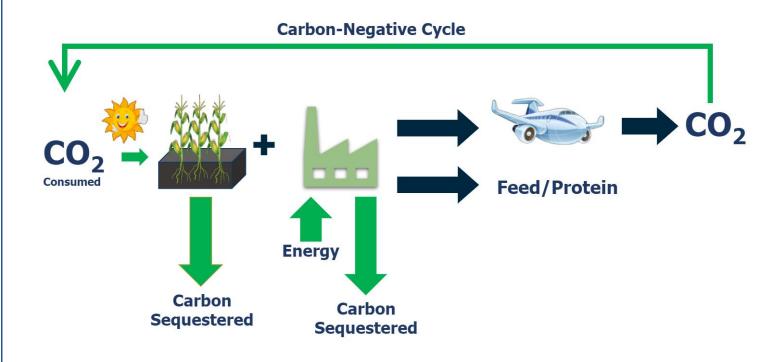
### **Net-Zero Concept**

#### A production system that abates carbon emissions across the whole lifecycle





Replace the fossil carbon and fossil energy sources to reduce/eliminate GHGs AND sequester carbon to go negative as measured across the whole life cycle

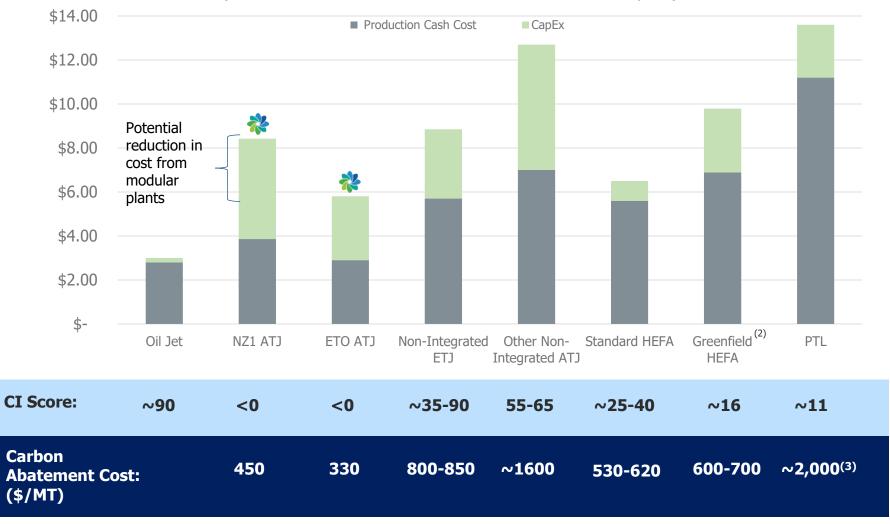


NZ-1 is designed to produce drop-in **carbon negative SAF**, that when burned in a jet, is net-zero or carbon negative across the whole life-cycle, from **capture of biogenic CO<sub>2</sub>** through burning as a fuel to generate CO<sub>2</sub>

# **ATJ and HEFA SAF Can Deliver the Most Competitive Full Production Costs**(1)

#### **Total Projected Cost of Production per Gallon (Not including Carbon Subsidy)**

(Fixed and variable cash cost + 15% Return on Capital)





<sup>2)</sup> LICO Based





**Integrated ethanol/ATJ** with renewable energy (NZ Plant Design) has potential to deliver the lowest CI scores

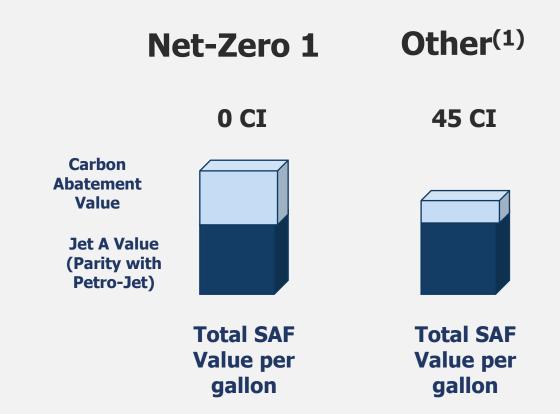
Integrated Ethanol To Olefins (ETO) ATJ based on NZ Plant Design is projected to be lowest cost and negative CI Score

Integrated ATJ has potential to achieve the lowest cost to serve airlines. RINS, state Level carbon value, and 45Z credit value could reach more than \$5/gallon if CI scores are below 10, so integrated ATJ routes could be competitive with petro-jet today

<sup>3)</sup> Assumes CO2 capture for hydrogen and energy production.

"Our business system and plant designs are all about creating more potential value by creating more carbon abatement per gallon, while continuing to drive the cost of production downward."

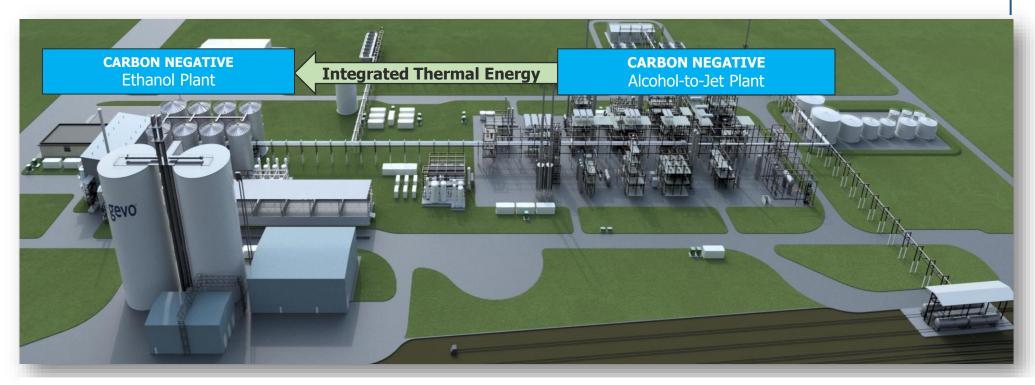
- Dr. Chris Ryan, Gevo President and COO



The more carbon abatement created in producing the fuel, the more valuable the product

# **Net-Zero 1** is a Proprietary Design from Farm Field to SAF





#### **Plant Design Highlights**

- Capable of achieving Net-zero and negative targeted Carbon Intensity SAF
  - Equivalent to +600,000 metric tons of CO2 abatement per year
- Wind powered (newbuild, behind the meter wind farm)
- Source of carbon for the fuels is biogenic CO2 captured from the atmosphere
- Produces ~1.32 billion pounds of protein and animal feed products and ~30 million pounds of corn oil per year
- Energy efficient; reduces fossil natural gas usage by 65%
- Multiple patents filed

# **Understanding the Project Costs**



Costs (\$millions)	Ethanol	Alcohol-to-Jet	Balance of Plant <sup>(1)</sup>	Total
<b>EPC Construction Cost</b>	360	1,016	299	1,675
Equipment	90	113	21	224
Installation	270	903	278	1,451

- Total EPC cost of \$1.675B<sup>2</sup> is a key input for the DOE Conditional commitment approval
  - Future plants will optimize modularization at sites with existing infrastructure, which is expected to reduce ATJ plant installation cost
- Other project completion costs are subject to finalization
  - Development and Construction Reserves<sup>4</sup>
  - Financing Cost and Debt Reserves<sup>5</sup>

Balance of plant includes roads, office buildings/control room, rail, lighting, electrical and stormwater drainage
 Cost from EPC Contractors as of July 2024

<sup>(3)</sup> Outside Battery Limit (OSBL) includes all infrastructure and auxiliary processes beyond the direct process streams.

 <sup>(4)</sup> Includes site prep and control, design and engineering, environmental and permitting, owner's contingency reserves etc.
 (5) Includes capital raise execution costs, interest during construction, reserve accounts amount for financing facilities and contingent equity

# **Expected Project Partners**(1)









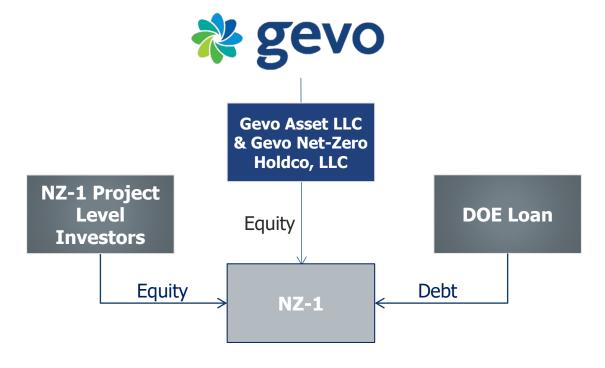






# **Project Level Financing**

NZ-1 is a special purpose entity that will hold the project assets as a subsidiary of Gevo, Inc. and other equity investors



- NZ-1 projected IRR's are expected to be in high teens
- NZ-1 project economics are expected to be resilient and offer some downside protections to lenders and equity investors
- DOE loan significantly de-risks the NZ-1 project
- Gevo has already spent about \$210MM of ~\$250MM on FEED and project development required to complete FID



Gevo corporate
equity issuance
would not be
required to fund
its pro-rata
ownership of
NZ-1

Gevo is the project developer and would roll its development investment into NZ-1

#### **Benefits to Our Communities**





Estimated to be the largest capital investment in South Dakota, creating new opportunities for South Dakotan workers and farmers



Projected to return about \$170MM annually to local South Dakota economy(1)



1,300 indirect jobs expected during construction, and provide ~100 long-term, full-time positions to support local communities



Rewards farmers for climate-smart agriculture who are efficiently using the same land for both sustainable fuel and food production, boosting yields and enabling the production of 1.4 billion pounds of feed<sup>(2)</sup>



Building a skilled workforce by partnering with South Dakota schools and colleges to promote STEM, offer internships and recruiting diverse talent from local communities



Supporting energy independence with 100% US-sourced feedstocks

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on the 2024 report by Charles River and Associates: Cost Benefit Analysis of Alcohol-to-Jet Sustainable Aviation Fuel

#### Where we are and What's Next



#### Where are We?

- Late Project Development and Financing Stage for the first world-scale net-zero Alcohol-to-Jet project
- **DOE Commitment Secured:** Secured conditional commitment from the U.S. DOE, providing project support and validation
- Robust Project Execution Partners: Partnering with top-tier EPC contractors, incorporating contingencies, liquidated damages, and risk management strategies to ensure project completion
- Project has been significantly de-risked for execution

#### **Next Steps:**

- Secure project level equity
- Close project level financing
- Get project built

