

Seagoing Algae Biorefinery

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Algae is a proven natural resource

Problem: Scarcity



Terrestrial algae production is currently cost prohibitive for commodities production

- >500% reduction in production cost required for price parity with petroleum-based products
- Cost drivers: fertilizer, land, water, separations
- Algae industry is currently supported by EERE

Algae fuels: Solazyme, Neste
Algae bioplastic: Algix Inc
Algae feeds: LiveFuels Inc
Algae fertilizer: IOSI Inc



A larger problem contains the solution

- Algae-induced aquatic Hypoxia: “**Dead Zones**”
>600 confirmed algal-bloom induced dead zones world-wide, up ~800% since 70's
- Gulf of Mexico dead zone **costs US seafood and tourism industries >\$80M annually**
- Cost for prevention: \$2.7B annually

Why: **Fertilizer Runoff** (non-point source ag.)



Algae Bloom

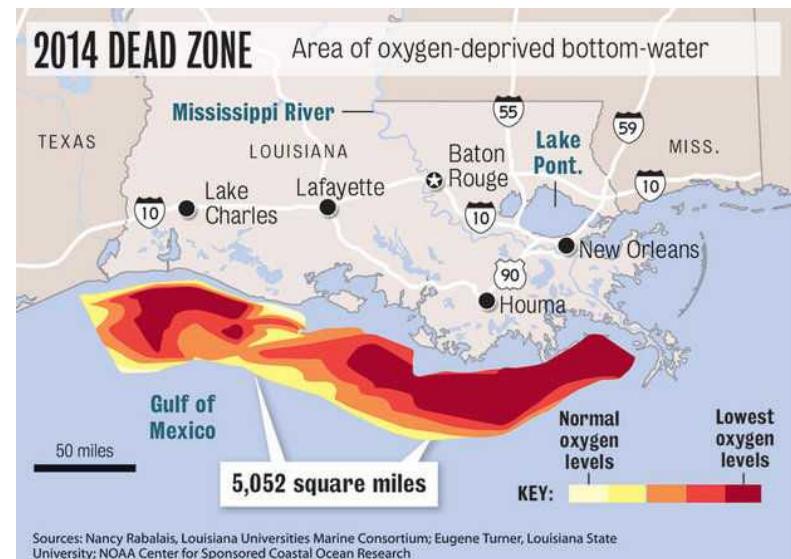


Eutrophication

(algae decomposition)



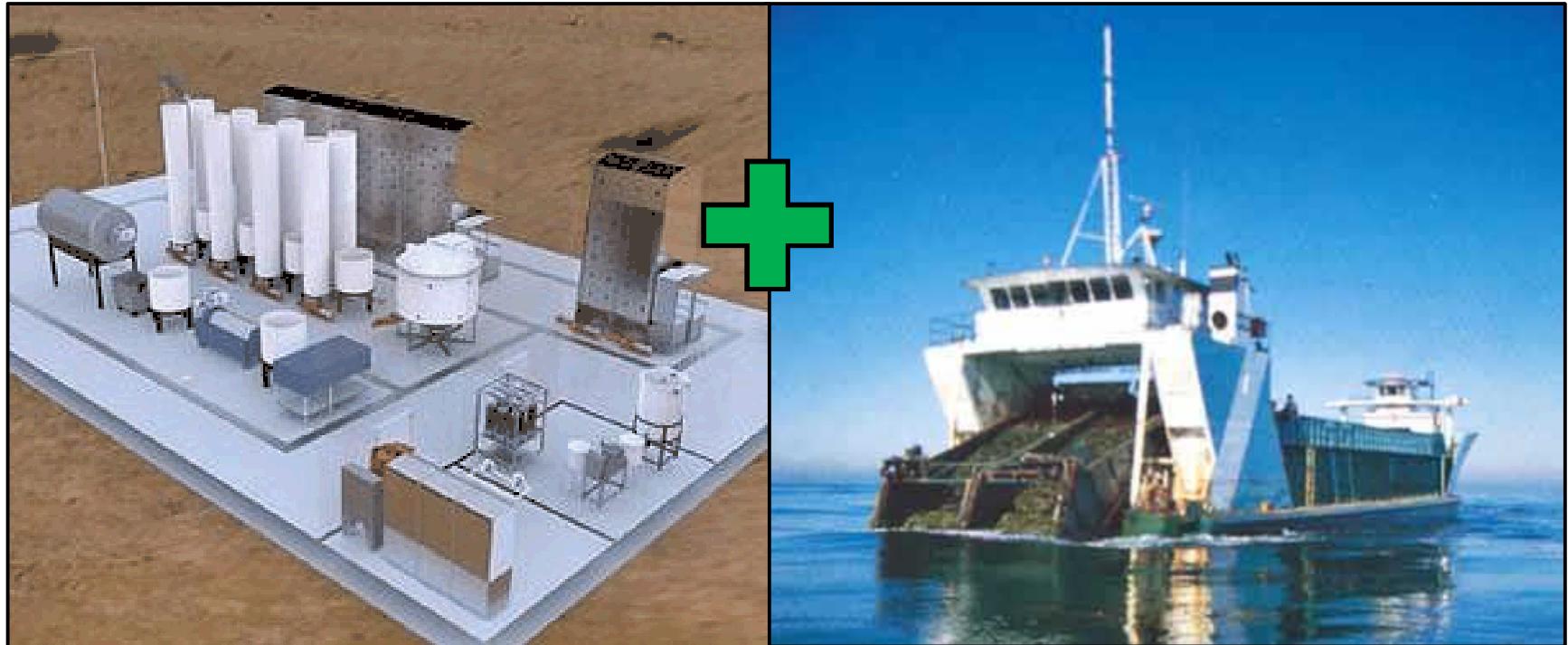
Hypoxia



Customer Segments

- Cost sensitivity of commodities is the major hurdle: follow the course established by the solar/wind industries
- Current algae production & manufacturing are supported by federal sponsors, incl. DOE-EERE, DOD
- Early adopters: “Green” shoppers, entities with sustainability focus
- Reap benefits of emerging carbon trading markets

Solution: Seagoing Algae Biorefinery



Integrated sea-born harvesting & bioprocessing to capture resource viability window at the source

Unique Value Proposition

- Brings manufacturing of algae commodities to the readily-available resource
- Regulatory hurdles are minimal because technology will combat important environmental & ecological problem (Dead Zones)
- No infrastructural modification required: Products are “drop-in” replacements for non-sustainable feedstocks, e.g. petroleum, fish meal, etc.
- Transformative approach for efficient adoption of algae products

<u>PROBLEM</u>	<u>SOLUTION</u>	<u>UNIQUE VALUE PROP</u>	<u>UNFAIR ADVANTAGE</u>	<u>CUSTOMER SEGMENTS</u>
- Resource scarcity	Seagoing algae biorefinery	Brings production to the resource	IP for integrated conversion of algae into various products	List your target customers and users
- Resource viability window		No current competition for resource		
Existing alternatives Non-sustainable, petroleum-based	KEY METRICS Bioproduct yields Biomass capacity	Get paid at both ends: take out the trash and make it into gold.	CHANNELS Refiners, building materials	Early adopters Sustainability-focused, consumers of home-grown commodities
<u>COST STRUCTURE</u>		<u>REVENUE</u>		
Fixed costs: Shipbuilding and processing reactors integration		Bio-based commodities: feeds, fuels, materials Environmental clean-up credits		