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Indeck Energy to Work with Fuels for Schools and Communities Program Company dedicated to encouraging the use of wood pellet fuel to heat local schools

Ladysmith, Wisconsin – May, 25, 2010 – Indeck Ladysmith, LLC, the owner and operator of the Indeck Ladysmith BioFuel Center in Ladysmith, Wisconsin is moving forward in a partnership with Fuels for Schools and Communities, a program supported by the state of Wisconsin that encourages the use of wood biomass as an energy source for the heating of public buildings.

Representatives from Indeck Ladysmith have met with 11 local schools to discuss the possibility of replacing natural gas boilers used for heating with wood pellet boilers. Able to heat just as efficiently as conventional boilers, new wood pellet boilers would support the local biomass industry of Wisconsin while ultimately providing schools with some cost-savings.

“Focus on Energy, a government funded program here in Wisconsin, has been able to provide us with pre-feasibility studies at many of these local school districts,” said Mike Curci, Indeck Ladysmith BioFuel Center superintendent. “They are working with us to determine if replacing older natural gas boilers with updated wood pellet boilers is possible at a reduced upfront cost.”

So far, the results have been promising. Indeck Ladysmith has found about 10 schools that would be able to install the new boilers and eventually see cost-savings associated with the conversion.

“Many of the boilers and furnaces that could be replaced have been in operation for years,” said Curci. “Some are old oil and coal-burning boilers that have been retrofitted to accept gas. These systems need to be updated; we are excited at the possibility of introducing local wood pellets as the fuel.”

Focus on Energy is able to provide up to \$250,000 to offset the cost of installing a biomass fired system. With these funds, Indeck Ladysmith may be able to lease the wood pellet boilers to schools, making conversion affordable.

“Our goal is to heat local schools with local fuel,” said Curci. “Keeping jobs in Wisconsin is crucial to the state’s success and this is an exciting way to start.”

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The Indeck Ladysmith BioFuel Center is owned by Indeck Ladysmith, LLC, a subsidiary of Indeck Energy Services, Inc. Indeck Energy Services is a privately held developer, owner and operator of renewable and conventional energy projects. As one of the few remaining privately held independent energy producers, it has grown into a full-service energy company that offers biofuels production and electrical generation facilities. The company was established in 1985 and is headquartered in Buffalo Grove, IL.