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## **Gevo Named High Impact Cleantech Company of the Year by the Colorado Cleantech Industry Association**

**Englewood, CO—November 8, 2011**—As part of the Colorado Cleantech Industry Association's (CCIA) annual award program, Gevo, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEVO), a leading renewable chemicals and advanced biofuels company, was named Colorado's High Impact Cleantech Company of the Year. Gevo was honored for demonstrated leadership in advancing cleantech job creation, entrepreneurship, political leadership and financing. The award was presented at CCIA's "Colorado Cleantech Industry Awards Celebration" in Denver on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

"It is exciting to be part of a Colorado community that is dedicated to growing local cleantech jobs and we are honored to be recognized among an impressive group of Colorado companies," said Dr. Patrick Gruber, CEO of Gevo. "I would like to thank the Colorado Cleantech Industry Association for their continued dedication to fostering growth in the cleantech industry that will help reduce the U.S.'s reliance on petroleum and petroleum-based products."

Award winners were selected based on many factors, including the company's ability to create an innovative clean technology that has a viable market strategy, the executive team's ability to raise funding to support the technology and the company's statewide job creation.

"The winning companies span the cleantech spectrum, representing the most innovative and entrepreneurial technologies and individuals in Colorado's cleantech community," says Chris Shapard, CCIA's Executive Director. "We want to extend our congratulations to this year's winners and finalists and our appreciation for their work in growing and expanding the dynamic cleantech industry."

A group of industry peers ranging from venture capitalists and corporate strategists to current and former technology CEOs selected the award winners.

## **About Gevo**

Gevo is converting existing ethanol plants into biorefineries to make renewable building block products for the chemical and fuel industries. The Company plans to convert renewable raw materials into isobutanol and renewable hydrocarbons that can be directly integrated on a “drop in” basis into existing chemical and fuel products to deliver environmental and economic benefits. Gevo is committed to a sustainable biobased economy that meets society’s needs for plentiful food and clean air and water. For more information, visit [www.gevo.com](http://www.gevo.com)

## **About the Colorado Cleantech Industry Association (CCIA)**

The Colorado Cleantech Industry Association represents the interests of the state’s cleantech industry. Its mission is to further establish Colorado as a world leader in clean technology by providing representation and advocacy, a unified voice, relevant programming and capacity development. For more information, visit [www.coloradocleantech.com](http://www.coloradocleantech.com).

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