States Logistics Services, based in Buena Park, Calif., is a family-owned business that is in it for the long haul. The third-party packaging and transportation company has taken a giant step into the future by deciding to fuel its Class 8 trucks with B99, a blend of 1% diesel and 99% biodiesel. The company made the move after its customer, Clif Bar Inc., inquired about biodiesel fuel. States Logistics did the research and decided to jump in at the B99 level.

"Reduced emissions was the key motivation in our decision," says States Logistics sales manager Matt Montford. "Our drivers report that the trucks are quieter, are smoother to operate, and there's no black smoke." The International trucks have Cummins ISM 425V 410 engines. States Logistics Services uses approximately 10,000 gallons of B99 annually. On-site fueling is provided by General Petroleum Co. The company also leases trucks, and these vehicles operate on B5 based on limitations set by the leasing company.

"We see the move to B99 as a way to support our customer and it sets us apart as a forward-looking business. We believe it's the right thing to do," Montford concludes.

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