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Last month's Boston Marathon is much like our race toward energy independence — it's a marathon and not a sprint.

This year's ACT Expo incited a lot of talk about where transportation is headed and fuels / technologies that might be available down the road — instead of seeing what's right in front of us. As a nation, our heritage is one of innovation and challenging the status quo. But rather than looking for the next best thing, we should utilize the energy resources that are readily available and "shovel ready" while the others continue to incubate. Propane autogas is a resource with nearly 12 billion gallons available to fuel vehicles today.

The good news is that most attendees were more familiar with propane autogas as an engine fuel than in previous years. Two organizations told their propane adoption stories this year — Bimbo Bakeries USA and Florida's Pasco School District.

Bimbo Bakeries USA is delivering its bread and baked goods in vehicles fueled by emissions-reducing, domestically produced propane autogas. The company's 84 Ford F-59 trucks, equipped with ROUSH CleanTech fuel technology, operate in three of BBU's major markets, Chicago, Denver and Washington, D.C. Each new propane autogas fueled delivery truck will cut carbon dioxide emissions by about 192,000 pounds compared to gasoline. That equals 16.1 million fewer pounds over the lifetime of the fleet.

Pasco County Schools' 58 Blue Bird Vision Propane school buses replaced some retiring diesel models from the early 2000s. Each year, the district's propane-fueled fleet will emit over 72,000 fewer pounds of nitrogen oxide emissions and almost 2,000 less pounds of particulate matter compared with the replaced buses. Pasco has already saved over \$140,000 in the past two years with their alternative fuel school buses.

As a part of this domestic energy marathon, school districts and commercial fleets need emissions-reducing, cost-cutting, domestically produced solutions like propane autogas to make an impact on their bottom line today and not 20 years from now.

To learn more about ROUSH CleanTech's propane autogas fuel system technology that powers Blue Bird Vision Propane school buses and Ford commercial vehicles, please visit

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Vehicles fueled by propane autogas emit 80 percent fewer smog-producing hydrocarbons and virtually eliminate particulate matter when compared to diesel.

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Along with environmental benefits, Bimbo Bakeries USA selected propane autogas trucks for their low up-front costs, minimal impact to operations, and stability of fuel costs.

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