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Green Into Gold: Wisconsin Incentives and Grants

The Compelling Case for Natural Gas Vehicles

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Incentives and Grants

- Tax Refund: taxi operator Wisconsin fuel tax reimbursed if using an alternative fuel
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program Grants
- Emissions Reduction Funding Opportunities
- Clean Cities Program Funding
- Non-financial incentives and additional resources



Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program



- Flexible source of funding to state and local governments for transportation projects and programs to meet Clean Air Act requirements
- Focuses on nonattainment areas, which currently includes southeastern Wisconsin



CMAQ Program

- Private entities interested in applying for funds must find a public sponsor with taxing authority to serve as the lead organization
- Federal government share is now 100% for FY 08 and FY09, per the Energy Independence and Security Act. (Applicants used to provide at least a 20% match of the project's total cost.)
- Eligible projects include: alternative/clean fuel vehicles and fueling facilities, diesel engine idling reduction and retrofit projects
- The current cycle covers FY 2008 – FY 2010, with the next solicitation in January 2009 for the following cycle, FY 2011 – FY 2013
- Contact John Duffe, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, for more information, at (608) 264-8723 or at john.duffe@dot.state.wi.us



Emissions Reduction Funding Opportunities



- The Midwest Clean Diesel Initiative is an EPA-administered collaborative effort that seeks to reduce diesel emissions in multiple sectors. MCDI works in concert with the SmartWay Transport Partnership, a related voluntary initiative.





MCDI Diesel Emissions Reduction Program Request for Proposals

- Funding opportunity targets significant diesel emissions reduction, especially in poor air quality areas
- Proposals were due June 12 for the latest solicitation
- Wisconsin Clean Diesel Coalition will coordinate efforts statewide on an ongoing basis, with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources as facilitator



Clean Cities Program Solicitation

- Funding categories still pending (e.g., alternative fuels infrastructure, incremental cost for AFVs)
- Solicitations out 9/1/08 (est.)
- Proposals due 11/1/08 (est.)
- Award date 5/1/09 (est.)
- Estimated funding available: \$6 million over two-year period, with \$3 million each in FY 09 and FY 10



Possible Non-Fiscal Incentives

- Free parking in designated areas for high-efficiency hybrids and specified AFVS
- AFVs and hybrid vehicles may use high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes
- Preferential parking at workplaces
- Preferred curbside parking for delivery vehicles (e.g., “green stripe parking”)



U.S. Department of Energy Fleet Portal (formerly the Clean Fleet Guide)

- An objective entry point for fleets that aim to buy “green” vehicles and save money by lowering fuel consumption
- The Swiss Army knife of available tools
- An unbiased one-stop-shop for fleets sponsored by Clean Cities

Greening your fleet can mean green in your pocket



Fleet Portal

Fleet Managers Toolkit

- ✓ Fleet Applications
- ✓ Fleet Experiences
- ✓ Financial Opportunities
- ✓ Technical Assistance

Visit <http://www.eere.energy.gov/afdc/fleets/index.html>
for more information



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