

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002-4239**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR FUNDING  
FROM EPA'S NATIONAL CLEAN DIESEL FUNDING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO  
REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM DIESEL EQUIPMENT IN THE METROPOLITAN  
WASHINGTON REGION**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington region does not meet the federal health standards for ozone, which adversely affects the health of populations at increased risk, including 1 million children 18 years of age and younger; and

**WHEREAS**, COG and the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) support local nonregulatory measures in the region to reduce harmful emissions to improve air quality; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of EPA's National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program is to reduce diesel emissions, maximize job preservation and promote economic recovery through a variety of diesel emission reduction strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, COG is currently partnering with equipment owners/operators to reduce emissions from diesel fleets in the Washington metropolitan region; and

**WHEREAS**, COG would like to partner Amtrak whose has proposed a "Reducing Emissions from Rail Terminal Operations at Union Station in Downtown Washington, DC" project; and

**WHEREAS**, the project will significantly reduce annual NOx and fine particle emissions in the region, improving the health of residents and providing needed reductions for the region to meet the ozone and fine particle standard.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to apply for and expend up to \$2,200,000 in grant funding from EPA Region III to provide diesel reduction technologies to Amtrak in support of its "Reducing Emissions from Rail Terminal Operations at Union Station." No COG matching funds are required.

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Nicole Hange, Board Clerk