

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONTRACT WITH THE
DC DOE TO ADMINISTER A DIESEL ANTI-IDLING CAMPAIGN IN THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

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

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia regulates air quality and limits idling of motor vehicles in the District, D.C. Office Code §§8-101 et seq., and the federal Clean Air, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of EPA's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) 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 proposing to develop a diesel anti-idling campaign designed to reach tour bus companies, commuter bus operations, trucking companies and package delivery companies in cooperation with the District Department of Environment and District Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, COG will promote a multi-jurisdictional approach with the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and the Maryland Department of the Environment to establish a regional diesel anti-idling outreach and education program because tour bus and transit bus companies and trucking companies providing service in the District of Columbia may be located or originate in Virginia or Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the proposed 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 standards.

**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 sub-grant funding from the District Department of the Environment under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) to receive and expend up to \$215,732 to improve air quality and attain compliance with regulations of the District of Columbia by administering a Diesel Anti-Idling Campaign. No COG matching funds are required.

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Nicole Hange, Board Clerk