

# Transportation Idle Free Corridors

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# Objective

- Build idle reduction projects at key locations along major transportation routes
  - Bring together a team to get this done: EPA, DOT, DOE, state/local government, energy provider, technology manufacturer, truck/rail companies, truck stops, community groups, others.

# Why Idling?

- Environmental benefits: reductions of NO<sub>x</sub>, PM, CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, and air toxics
- Economic benefits: savings on fuel, maintenance, engine life; decreased dependence on oil imports
- Health impacts: drivers and truck stop operators
- Cost/Benefit: \$2,500 per NO<sub>x</sub> ton reduced

# Truck/Locomotive Idling



- Truck Top 3 Reasons:
  - Climate Control (AC, heat)
  - Power accessories (e.g., TV)
  - Protect engine in cold weather
- Locomotive Top 3 Reasons
  - Protect engine in cold weather
  - Readily available engine
  - Habit/custom

# Idling Emission Impacts

- Long Haul Trucks:
  - NO<sub>x</sub>: 180,000 tons per year
  - PM: 5,000 tons per year
  - CO<sub>2</sub>: 11 million tons
  - Fuel: 1 billion gallons
- Switch Yard Locomotives
  - NO<sub>x</sub>: 13,000 tons per year
  - PM: 430 tons per year
  - CO<sub>2</sub>: .75 million tons
  - Fuel: 65 million gallons

# Other Impacts

- Air toxics (formaldehyde and trace metals)
- Pollutants in environmental justice areas (inner-city rail yards)
- Noise pollution
- Increased maintenance on engines
- Decreased engine life

# Alternatives

- **Change Behavior/Provide Incentives**
  - Difficult to change behavior when idling is necessary to provide heat or air conditioning to rest comfortably
- **State Anti-Idling Laws**
  - Difficult to enforce; unfair to impose when alternatives are unavailable
- **Idle Reduction Technologies**
  - Mobile & Stationary devices (see list)

# Idle Reduction Technologies (IRTs)



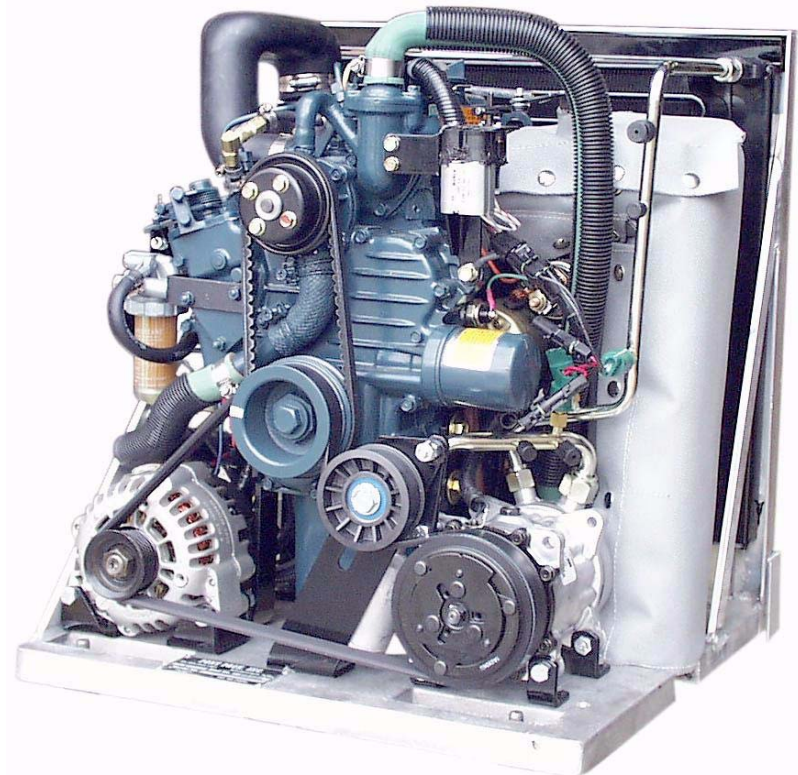
- Automatic engine shut-down systems
- Diesel Fuel Fired Heaters
- Auxiliary Power Units/Generator Sets
- Electrified Parking Spaces (EPS) (on-board + off-board)
- “Advanced” EPS (off-board only)



# Auxiliary Power Units

- What is it?
  - Small diesel powered combustion engine, ~10 hp, EPA certified non-road engines
- What does it do?
  - AC, heat and power for auxiliaries
- Cost: \$5,000-\$7,000
- Issues:
  - Weight, maintenance, extra tax, costly

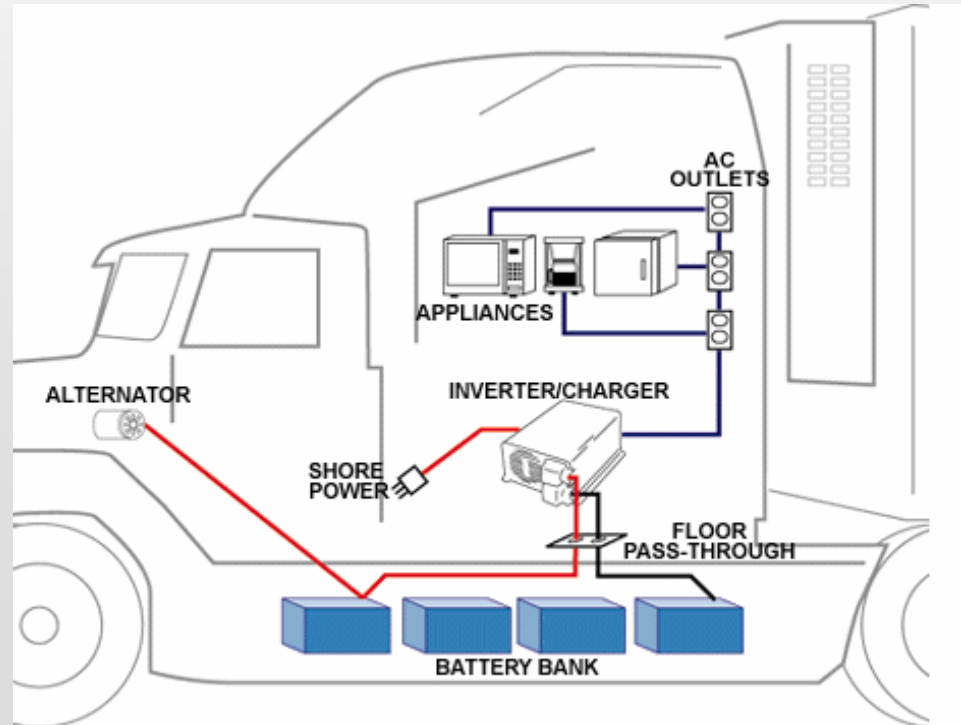
- Major manufacturers: include Pony Pack (see picture), Rig Master, and Teleflex



# Electrified Parking Spaces (on-board + off-board)

- What is it?
  - Inverter/charger & electric HVAC; connection to external electrical grid
- What does it do?
  - Provides power for HVAC and auxiliaries
- Cost: Inverter/Charge + electric HVAC (\$4,000); external connection (\$2,500/space)
- Issues
  - Requires modifications to truck, external connection not readily available

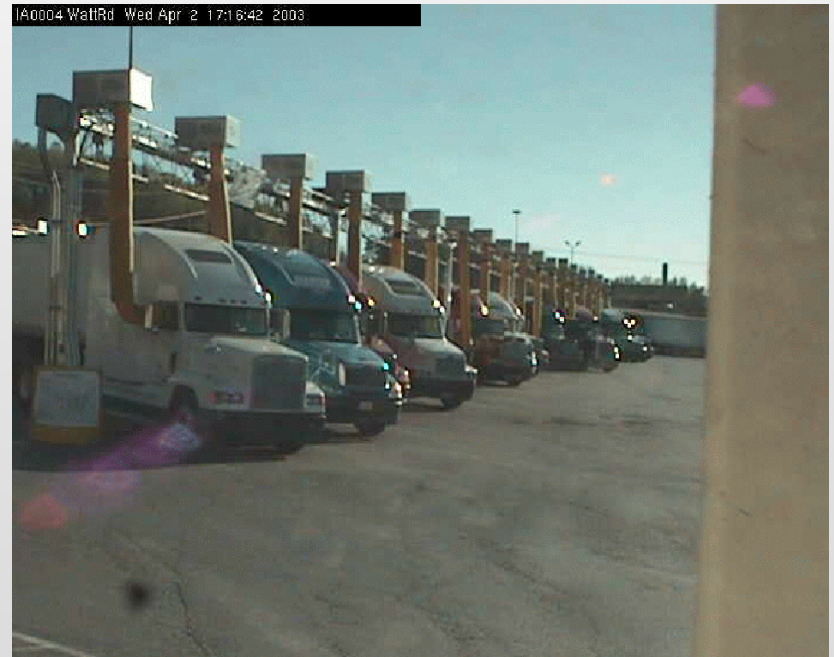
- Major manufacturers:  
Xantrex (see picture below),  
Dometic/Cab Comfort, Taylor, Phillips,  
Antares



# Advanced EPS (off-board only)

- What is it?
  - Electric HVAC system suspended above trucks
- What does it do?
  - Provides power for HVAC and auxiliaries; cable, telephone
- Cost: \$10,000 per space (50 space min); \$1.25-\$1.50 hourly charge
- Issues:
  - Costly; available in only a few locations

- Major Manufacturer: IdleAire Technologies, Inc.



# IRTs for Locomotives

- Automatic Shut Down/Start Up System
  - Maintains all vital engine systems by turning engine on and off based on temperature and/or time
  - ZTR Control Systems
  - \$7,500-\$14,000
- APU
  - Maintains all vital engine systems
  - CSXT
  - \$35,000-\$40,000
- Diesel Driven Heating System
  - Maintains all vital engine systems
  - Kim Hotstart Manufacturing
  - \$27,000-\$29,000

# Barriers

- Weight of APUs (250-500 lbs)
- Tax on APUs (FET 12%)
- Maintenance of APUs
- APUs too expensive
- EPS not readily available
- EPS too expensive

# EPA-DOT-DOE Response

- Weight waiver of 250 lbs in Energy Bill
- TSE projects eligible for CMAQ funds
- Grant program to assist truck fleets in purchase of mobile idle reduction technology
- Demonstration projects for locomotives
- Demonstration projects for EPS (\$1 million in awards recently announced)

# State Wide Truck Parking



STATE	TOTAL TRUCK PARKING SPACES
Pennsylvania	15,798
<b>Virginia</b>	<b>8,262 (175 truck stops)</b>
<b>Maryland</b>	<b>2,587 (55 truck stops)</b>
West Virginia	2,222
Delaware	394
Washington, DC	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29,263</b>

# State Wide Truck Impacts



STATE	FUEL (gal/yr)	NOx (tpy)	PM (tpy)
Pennsylvania	18.4 M	3,397	87
<b>Virginia</b>	<b>9.6 M</b>	<b>1,776</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Maryland</b>	<b>3 M</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>14</b>
West Virginia	2.5 M	478	12
Delaware	460,000	85	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>34 M</b>	<b>6,292</b>	<b>160</b>



# State Parking on I-95



STATE	I-95 PARKING SPACES	% PARKING ON I-95
<b>Maryland</b>	<b>1,771</b>	<b>68%</b>
<b>Virginia</b>	<b>2,299</b>	<b>28%</b>
Pennsylvania	250	.0158%
Delaware	0	N/A
West Virginia	0	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,320</b>	

# Truck NOx Impact



STATE	EMISSIONS IMPACT IF 50% IDLING AT EACH PARKING SPACE ON I-95
<b>VIRGINIA</b>	<b>494 tons per year (1149 spaces)</b>
<b>MARYLAND</b>	<b>380 tons per year (885 spaces)</b>
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>	<b>54 tons per year (125 spaces)</b>

# Truck PM Impact



STATE	EMISSIONS IMPACT IF 50% IDLING AT EACH PARKING SPACE ON I-95
VIRGINIA	13.5 tons per year
MARYLAND	10 tons per year
PENNSYLVANIA	1.5 tons per year

# Railroad Mileage per State



STATE	MILEAGE
Pennsylvania	5,145
<b>Virginia</b>	<b>3,262</b>
West Virginia	2,433
<b>Maryland</b>	<b>760</b>
Delaware	227
<b>Washington, DC</b>	<b>25</b>

# East Coast Railroads



RAILROAD	# LOCOMOTIVES
Norfolk Southern	3,455
CSX Transportation	3,360
Canadian National/Illinois Central	296
Canadian National/Grand Trunk Western	109

# Switch Yard Locomotives (CSXT Only)



<b>STATE</b>	<b># SWITCHERS</b>
<b>Maryland</b>	<b>57</b>
West Virginia	50
Pennsylvania	45
<b>Virginia</b>	<b>34</b>
Delaware	6
<b>Washington, DC</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>197</b>

# Switcher NOx Impact



<b>STATE</b>	<b>EMISSIONS IMPACT</b>
<b>Maryland</b>	<b>148 tpy</b>
West Virginia	130 tpy
Pennsylvania	117 tpy
<b>Virginia</b>	<b>88 tpy</b>
Delaware	16 tpy
<b>Washington, DC</b>	<b>13 tpy</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>512 tpy</b>

# Switcher PM Impact



<b>STATE</b>	<b>EMISSIONS IMPACT</b>
<b>Maryland</b>	<b>5 tpy</b>
West Virginia	4.3 tpy
Pennsylvania	4 tpy
<b>Virginia</b>	<b>3 tpy</b>
Delaware	.5 tpy
<b>Washington, DC</b>	<b>.43 tpy</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17 tpy</b>



# Potential Truck Stop Projects



- Selection Criteria:
  - Site Density: number of other truck stops nearby
  - Usage: current demand/supply ratio
  - Growth: estimated annual % increase in demand
  - Capacity: (<25, 25-50, 51-99, 100-199, 200+)
  - Ozone and PM Status: attainment, maintenance, non-attainment
  - Census: population density within 0.5 mile radius
  - Regulation: presence/absence of state or local anti-idling law