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

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM EPA'S NATIONAL CLEAN DIESEL FUNDING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM THROUGH THE DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT (DDOE) TO "REDUCE EMISSION FROM MARINE VESSELS IN WASHINGTON, D. C."

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 has received a request from the District Department of the Environment (DDOE) to assist in implementation of a project involving partnering with an owner of a diesel-powered passenger vessel that operates in the District of Columbia to reduce emissions from the vessel; and

**WHEREAS,** COG's proposed partner/project (and funding amount) include Premier Yacht, Inc. (Odyssey) – "Reducing Emissions from Passenger Vessels in Washington, D.C." (\$287,517); and

**WHEREAS,** the proposed projects 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 (COG) THAT

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to receive grant funding up to \$287,517 from the District Department of the Environment (DDOE) and EPA Region III to provide diesel reduction technologies to the identified equipment owner in Washington, D.C., and no COG matching funds are required.

The foregoing resolution was unanimously approved and adopted by the COG Board of Directors at its regular meeting held on July 11, 2012.

Barbara J. Chapman
Executive Board Secretary