

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

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS FROM EPA'S NATIONAL  
CLEAN DIESEL FUNDING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM DIESEL  
EQUIPMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the metropolitan Washington region must meet the 2015 health-based air quality standard for ozone and must continue to demonstrate maintenance of the fine particle air quality standard; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of EPA's 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 metropolitan Washington region; and

**WHEREAS**, Amtrak and the Clean Diesel Funding Assistance federal grant -- "Switcher Locomotive Repowers at Union Station Terminal in Downtown Washington, DC" is partnering to provide funding not to exceed \$3,975,544; 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 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 receive grant funding from EPA Region III, and matching funds from the project partner/equipment owner, Amtrak; and expend up to \$3,975,544 to provide diesel reduction technologies to the equipment owner and operator of switcher locomotives in the metropolitan Washington region. No COG matching funds are required.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on June 8, 2016.**

**Laura Ambrosio**  
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