Reducing Emissions from Heavy Duty Diesel Equipment in the Metropolitan Washington Region

Applicant:

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Project Summary

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) is partnering with 12 equipment owner operators to reduce emissions from heavy duty diesel fleets in the Washington metropolitan region. The owner/operators that have agreed to participate in this project include: Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA); Washington Area Sewer and Water Authority (DCWASA); Montgomery County, Maryland; Fairfax County, Virginia; Prince William County, Virginia; and private fleet owner/operators Pleasants Construction, CJ Miller, LaFarge, Beuchert, GDS Rentals, Chaney Construction, and Facchina Construction.

Emission reductions will be achieved through the application of one of following solutions: Diesel Particulate Filters, Emissions Repowers, Vehicle Replacement, and Vehicle Idling Reduction. Specifically, the project will involve the following categories of diesel emission controls.

- Diesel Retrofits for Transit Buses. A total of 130 transit buses will be equipped with diesel particulate filters.
- Nonroad Engine Particulate Filters and Retrofits. A total of 50 nonroad diesel construction equipment will be equipped with particulate filters and/or eligible NOx controls.
- Nonroad Engine Repowers. A total of 14 nonroad diesel construction equipment will be repowered.
- On-Road Engine Repower. Three heavy duty dump trucks will be converted from diesel to CNG.
- Vehicle Replacements. The project will include purchase of one plug-in electric hybrid school bus, two diesel powered ambulances, and one launch assist hybrid refuse hauler.
- Idle Reduction. A total of 87 heavy duty on-road trucks (class 8) will be equipped with battery heater air conditioning units. A total of 443 nonroad construction vehicles will be equipped with automatic shutdown units.