

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

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RECEIVE A GRANT TO REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM MARINE  
VESSELS IN WASHINGTON, DC**

**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 non-regulatory 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 include: Spirit Cruises LLC -- Reducing Emissions from Passenger Vessels in Washington, DC; 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 and maintain 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 receive and expend grant funds from the District Department of the Environment (DDOE) and EPA Region III in the amount of \$157,536 to provide diesel reduction technologies to the identified equipment owner in Washington, DC. No COG matching funds are required.

***I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was approved and adopted by the COG Board of Directors at its regular meeting held on October 8, 2014.***

***Monica Beyrouiti***  
***Clerk to the Board of Directors***