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## National Clean Diesel Campaign

# State Clean Diesel Grant Program Notice of Intent to Apply

TO: EPA Office of Transportation and Air Quality, [cleandiesel@epa.gov](mailto:cleandiesel@epa.gov)

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RE: Notice of Intent to Apply for FY08 State Clean Diesel Grant Program

DATE: April 3, 2008

### GENERAL INFORMATION

The State of Minnesota

submits this notice of intent to apply that is due on or before April 24, 2008 at 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time. This notice outlines plans for submitting an application for the State Clean Diesel Grant Program through EPA's National Clean Diesel Campaign.

This notice also identifies Minnesota Pollution Control Agency as the responsible State Agency submitting an application for the State Clean Diesel Grant Program.

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### FUNDING ALLOCATION AND MATCH

We understand that based on the allocation formula outlined in the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Subtitle G, Section 793, award amounts can range from ~\$200,000 to over \$1,000,000. We understand that there is no match required, but that there is an incentive to match Federal funds at a 1:1 ratio. States agreeing to match their entire allocation provided to the State dollar for dollar shall be provided with an additional 50 percent of the base allocation to the State.



The State of Minnesota tentatively ☒ Does ☐ Does not plan to match the base funding awarded in its entirety dollar for dollar.

We understand that matching funds can be generated from State or private resources and can be either cash or in-kind funds but that Federal funds can not be used as match.

## APPLICATION AND WORKPLAN

The State of Minnesota

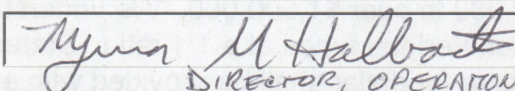
understands that work plans should be developed with EPA Regional Office assistance and final application packages must be submitted on or before June 23, 2008 at 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time to the regional contacts listed in the *Federal Register Notice* or funding may not be approved. Application forms can be obtained from EPA's website at [www.epa.gov/cleandiesel](http://www.epa.gov/cleandiesel) under the State Program section. We understand that this is a non-competitive grant program but that work plans must be approved in order for States to receive funding.

We anticipate that the work plan developed for the State Clean Diesel Grant Program may include the following activities:

The State of Minnesota may include the following three areas of focus in the State Clean Diesel Grant Program application:

- 1) To continue retrofitting school buses in the state - targeting buses operating in areas with child populations that experience disproportionate impacts from diesel exhaust.
- 2) Expanding the state's efforts to provide low interest loans through a revolving loan account to more businesses for the purchase of idle reduction equipment (Auxiliary Power Units).
- 3) Increase the agency technical and support capacity for clean diesel work through the addition of one full-time employee as staff. The objective is to ensure high-quality diesel emissions reduction implementation and outreach along with continued expansion of the program.

Signature:



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DIRECTOR, OPERATIONAL SUPPORT DIVISION

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