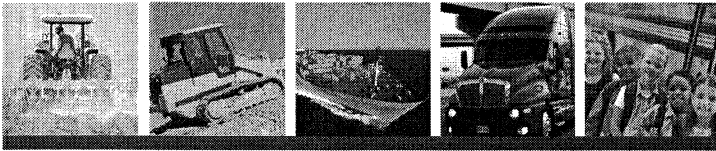


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## National Clean Diesel Campaign

# 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)

FROM: Carolyn Watkins, Chief, Office of Environmental Education, Ohio EPA

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

DATE: April 14, 2008

### GENERAL INFORMATION

The State of Ohio

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 Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

as the responsible State Agency submitting an application for the State Clean Diesel Grant Program.

#### Programmatic Contact

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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  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

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.

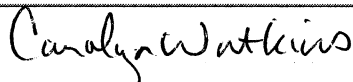
We anticipate that the work plan developed for the State Clean Diesel Grant Program may include the following activities:

Ohio EPA will deposit State Clean Diesel Grant Program monies into the Ohio Clean Diesel School Bus Fund, to fund school bus retrofits with diesel emission control equipment from the US EPA or CARB verified technology lists.

Ohio EPA currently awards \$600,000.00 annually from this Fund in grants to public school districts in Ohio for retrofits. That funding comes from civil penalties that Ohio EPA collects for pollution violations. Ohio EPA will seek legislative authorization from the Ohio General Assembly to award more than \$600,000 annually, to equal the amount of US EPA funding received. 100% of the federal funds received will be awarded for retrofits, as administrative costs for the program are provided by the Ohio EPA Division of Air Pollution Control and Office of Environmental Education. Applicant school districts must have an anti-idling or other pollution reduction policy in place to be eligible to receive grants. In awarding grants, Ohio EPA gives priority to applicant school districts in non-attainment areas for PM 2.5., and proposals that we calculate will achieve the greatest PM 2.5 reductions most cost-effectively. Additional award criteria include the anticipated level of reduction of other pollutants such as carbon monoxide, hydrocarbons, and nitrogen oxides; and additional retrofits offered by the applicant school district as a match for the grant funds.

Program applications and information are available at: <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/oeef/html/schoolbus.html>

Signature:



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