

National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program FY 2012 Request for Proposals (RFP)

Below are statements of who is eligible and a summary of what can be funded.

The RFP can be found at the following EPA site:

http://www.epa.gov/air/grants/rfp-epa-oar-otaq-12-05_amended_5-16-12.pdf

Important clarifications of the RFP can be found at the following additional site:

<http://www.epa.gov/air/grants/rfp-epa-oar-otaq-12-05-amend1.pdf>

Notification in grants.gov:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=JRTSPqBK1hxnQhMFVTg2vh4Nd4zRRGNDkgnKxXFcIOJQJnpJJbDR!-1248368548?oppld=166433&mode=VIEW>

Eligible entities

Eligible entities include regional, state, local or tribal agencies (or intertribal consortia) or port authorities with jurisdiction over transportation or air quality, and nonprofit organizations or institutions that: a) represent or provide pollution reduction or educational services to persons or organizations that own or operate diesel fleets or b) have, as their principal purpose, the promotion of transportation or air quality.

Summary of What the Grants Can Fund

- **Verified Exhaust Control Technologies:** EPA will fund up to 100% of the cost of eligible verified technologies.
- **Engine Upgrades:** EPA will fund up to 50% of the cost of eligible engine upgrades.
- **Verified/Certified Cleaner Fuel Use:** EPA will fund the cost differential between the eligible cleaner fuels and conventional diesel fuels.
- **Verified Idle Reduction Technologies:** EPA will not fund stand-alone idle reduction technologies, except for idle reduction technologies on locomotives, shore connection systems and truck stop electrification technologies, as discussed below. EPA will fund up to 100% of the cost of an eligible, verified idle reduction technology if that technology is combined on the same vehicle with a new eligible verified exhaust control as described in Section I.B.2.a.1.
- **Locomotive Idle Reduction Technologies:** EPA will fund up to 50% of the cost of eligible idle reduction technologies on locomotives.
- **Shore Connection Systems and Truck Stop Electrification Technologies:** EPA will fund up to 25% of the cost of eligible shore connection systems and truck stop electrification technologies.
- **Verified Aerodynamic Technologies and Low Rolling Resistance Tires:** EPA will not fund stand-alone aerodynamic technologies or low rolling resistance tires. EPA will fund up to 100% of the cost of verified aerodynamic technologies or verified low rolling resistance tires if the technology is combined on the same vehicle with a new eligible verified exhaust control technology as described in Section I.B.2.a.1.

- **Certified Engine Repower:** EPA will fund up to 50% of the cost (labor and equipment) of an eligible engine repower.
- **Certified Vehicle/Equipment Replacement:**
 - A. Nonroad diesel vehicles and equipment - EPA will fund the incremental cost of a newer, cleaner vehicle or piece of equipment powered by a 2011 or newer model year certified nonroad diesel engine, up to 25% of the cost of an eligible replacement vehicle or piece of equipment.
 - B. Highway diesel vehicles and equipment - EPA will fund the incremental cost of a newer, cleaner vehicle or piece of equipment powered by a 2011 model year or newer certified highway heavy-duty diesel engine, up to 25% of the cost of an eligible replacement vehicle or piece of equipment (except for drayage vehicles; see below).
 - C. Drayage Truck Replacement - EPA will fund up to 50% of the cost of eligible drayage trucks with a 2007 model year or newer heavy-duty engine.

Legal note from EPA, regarding emission reductions mandated by federal law:

Pursuant to 42 USC 16132(d)(2), no funds awarded under this RFP shall be used to fund the costs of emission reductions that are mandated under federal law. This restriction does not apply to a mandate in a State Implementation Plan approved by the Administrator under the Clean Air Act. Voluntary or elective emission reduction measures shall not be considered “mandated”, regardless of whether the reductions are included in the State Implementation Plan.