Dear Sir or Madam:

Thoughts on VW Settlement Funds managed by TCEQ:

1) Focus spending on vehicle grants, because the transportation sector is the largest contributor of nitrogen oxide emissions.

2) Vehicle grants should be awarded to the alternative fuel that reduces the most NOx per grant dollar, and natural gas vehicles (NGVs) are the best bet. They’re cheaper, allowing Texas to get more vehicles upgraded, and they are as clean, if not cleaner, than electric.

3) Under current terms of the settlement, electric vehicles are eligible to receive grants for 75 percent of the total vehicle cost, while NGVs and all other alternative fueled vehicles are only allowed to receive grants for 25 percent of the cost. TCEQ should level the playing field and make it fair for all fuels.

Thanks.

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