Awarded Grants, June 2013

From the February 2013 application cycle, the review committee of ODOT and Ohio EPA representatives reviewed applications from 60 diesel fleets requesting $45.6 million. Based on the total cost effectiveness of the projects in reducing diesel emissions, the following 27 grants are awarded, for a total of $13,720,433.00. Ohio EPA estimates that these projects will achieve an estimated annual emission reduction of more than 704 tons of air pollutants (21 tons of fine particulates and 683 tons of nitrogen oxides) in Ohio counties that currently do not meet or are struggling to meet federal air quality standards. These emission reduction benefits will compound every year that these fleets remain in service. These grants are supported with federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds allocated to Ohio by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), which must make a formal eligibility determination for each project before the grant can be awarded. No project-related advertising or incurred costs are permitted until the project receives written ODOT approval.

New projects include:

Ringler Energy, fourteen counties, $260,000 to convert ten 2007-2009 short haul trucks to dual fuel operation with a combination of compressed natural gas (CNG) and diesel, #D13F-022S. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: Alexander Ringler, alex@ringlerenergy.com or 419-253-0637.

McGinnis, Inc, Lawrence and Scioto Counties, $406,400 to replace two main engines and four generators on two Tier 0 tug boats with 2013 Tier 3 diesel engines, #D13F-022N. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: Robert Lynch, rlynch@mcginnisinc.com or 740-337-4391, ext. 1240.

J. W. Stenger Trucking, Inc., Belmont, Clark, Franklin, Licking, Madison, and Montgomery Counties, $152,000 to convert five 1999-2005 heavy duty diesel tractor trucks to dual fuel operation with a combination of CNG and diesel, #D13F-022M. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: Joseph Stenger, joestenger@jwstengertrucking.com or 740-425-1155 ext. 101.

Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA), Franklin County, $1,043,458 to purchase the compressed natural gas (CNG) components of 30 new transit buses, #D13F-022E. Contact: Randy Rosser, rosserra@cota.com or 614-308-4237.

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad, Cuyahoga, Stark and Summit Counties, $748,000 to repower one 1966 locomotive with a new tier 4i engine, #D13F-026. Public Sponsor: Ohio Rail Development Commission. Contact: Ray Kammer, rkammer@cvsr.com or 440-526-7128.

Sugar Creek Packing Company, Butler, Clinton, Greene, Hamilton, Montgomery and Warren Counties, $464,560 to replace 20 diesel-powered trailer refrigeration units (TRUs) with 20 plug-in electric hybrid TRUs, #D13F-022T. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: David Kuhn, dkuhn@sugarcreek.com or 740-335-3586.

Norfolk Southern Railway Company, Ashtabula, Jefferson, Mahoning, Stark and Trumbull Counties, $1,484,736 to install electric layover heating systems in 26 switcher locomotives, and install 21 480-volt three-phase plug-in stations, #D13F-023. Public Sponsor: Ohio Rail Development Commission. Contact: Mark Duve, mark.duve@nscorp.com or 404-582-6743.

American Idle Reduction LLC, Trumbull County, $187,280 to install 14 electrified truck stop spaces at the Mr. Fuel location on I-80 in Girard to reduce idling, #D13F-017. Public Sponsor: Ohio EPA. Contact: Andy Warcaba, andy@warcaba.com or 815-652-6690.

Savage Services, Lucas County, $688,000 to repower one switcher locomotive engine with a new diesel Tier 4i compliant engine and auxiliary power unit (APU), #D13F-025. Public Sponsor: Ohio Rail Development Commission. Contact: Gerry Farrell, gerryfarrell@savageservices.com or 281-673-1151.

JARO Transportation Services, Inc., Trumbull and multiple counties, $201,936 to install anti-idling APUs onto 30 short-haul trucks, #D13F-022K. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: Thomas Halula, thalula@jarotran.com or 330-847-5230.

American Idle Reduction LLC, Trumbull County, $266,080 to install 17 electrified truck stop spaces at the Love's Travel Stop location on I-80 in Hubbard to reduce idling, #D13F-021. Public Sponsor: Ohio EPA. Contact: Andy Warcaba, andy@warcaba.com or 815-652-6690.

Superior Beverage Group, Butler, Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Knox and Licking Counties, $540,736 to provide the cost differential to replace 14 1995-2003 diesel trucks with new 2013 CNG-powered trucks, #D13F-022U. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: Michael J. Scurria, m.scurria@superiorbeveragegroup.com or 614-294-3555.

American Idle Reduction LLC, Wood County, $180,720 to install 12 electrified truck stop spaces at the Love's Travel Stop location on I-75 in North Baltimore to reduce idling, #D13F-020. Public Sponsor: Ohio EPA. Contact: Andy Warcaba, andy@warcaba.com or 815-652-6690.

United Parcel Service (UPS), Belmont, Cuyahoga, Franklin, Hamilton and Mahoning Counties, $864,000 for the engine components to replace 30 1997-98 delivery trucks with model year 2013 diesel trucks , #D13F-002. Public Sponsor: Ohio EPA. Contact: Mike Casteel, mcasteel@ups.com or 404-828-7059.

American Idle Reduction LLC, Butler County, $427,120 to install 25 electrified truck stop spaces at the Stony Ridge Travel Center location on I-75 in Monroe to reduce idling, #D13F-016. Public Sponsor: Ohio EPA. Contact: Andy Warcaba, andy@warcaba.com or 815-652-6690.

Railserve, Inc., Hamilton County, $628,000 to repower one pre-1973 switcher locomotive with a smaller enginer/GenSet technology, #D13F-024. Public sponsor: Ohio Rail Development Commission. Contact: T.J. Mahoney, tjmahoney@railserve.biz or 404-661-8390.

Frito Lay, Stark County, $394,531 to provide the cost differential to replace six 2005 tractors with 2013 CNG-fueled tractors, #D13F-022i. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: Michael Birk, Michael.birk@pepsico.com or 734-374-9841.

Home City Ice Co./HC Transport Inc., Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Fairfield, Franklin, Geauga, Lake, Licking, Portage, Stark and Summit Counties, $873,600 to finance the conversion of forty (40) Ford F-600 diesel trucks to CNG power. The 40 Ford F-600 trucks will be purchased by Home City Ice, separate from the federal aid – CNG conversion – project, #D13F-022J. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: Cliff Riegler, criegler@homecityice.com or 513-598-3000.

Cleveland Airport Systems, Cuyahoga County, $88,160 to replace the blower engines in two 1994 snow blowers with remanufactured Tier 3 diesel engines, #D13F-038. Contact: Kevin Ferguson, kferguson@clevelandairport.com or 216-265-6125.

J. Rayl Transport, Inc. (JAM Equipment Ltd.), Summit and other northeastern Ohio counties, $976,000 to convert 40 1990 diesel trucks to dual fuel operation with a combination of compressed natural gas (CNG) and diesel, #D13F-022L. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: Matthew Selby, Matt.Selby@JRayl.com or 330-752-2914.

N.A.T. Transportation, Inc., Wood County, $135,116.80 for the cost differential to replace four 1989-95 diesel refuse trucks with four 2014 CNG-fueled trucks, #D13F-022P. Public Sponsor: Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. Contact: M.N. "Mick" Torok, mtorok@hotmail.com or 419-308-6279.

Columbus Regional Airport Authority, Franklin County, $72,000 for the cost differential to replace six 2007-2009 shuttle buses with 2013 propane-powered shuttle buses, #D13F-022F. Contact: Tom Swackhamer, tswackhamer@columbusairports.com or 614-239-3087.

City of Cincinnati, Hamilton County, $192,640 to replace four 1997-98 diesel dump trucks with four 2014 CNG-fueled trucks, #D13F-022C. Contact: Maraskeshia Smith, maraskeshia.smith@cincinnati-oh.gov or 513-352-5454.

Austintown Local Schools, Mahoning County, $1,070,880 to replace fourteen 1989-1997 diesel school buses with 2013 propane-fueled buses, #D13F-022A. Contact: Colleen Murphy, aust_cmb@access-k12.org or 330-797-3900, ext. 1083.

Smith Dairy Trucking Company, seventeen counties, $373,836 to replace the diesel engines in five 2003-2004 diesel tractors with 2013 CNG-fueled engines, #D13F-034C. Public Sponsor: Ohio EPA. Contact: Robert Diehl, chuckdiehl@smithdairy.com or 330-684-6586.

Canton City Schools, Stark County, $462,515.20 to replace four 1992 diesel school buses with 2013 CNG-fueled buses, #D13F-022B. Contact: Connie Dickon, dickon_c@ccsdistrict.org or 330-456-6710.

First Student, Inc., Clark, Franklin, Hamilton, Lorain, Lucas, and Montgomery Counties, $538,128 to replace the engine components of 36 1997-2001 diesel school

buses with model year 2013 diesel buses, #D13F-037. Public Sponsor: Ohio EPA. Contact: Ken Kirkpatrick, ken.kirkpatrick@firstgroup.com or 513-419-3350.

The next grant application deadline will be in September, 2013. The Request for Proposals is expected to be posted at http://www.epa.ohio.gov/oeef/derg.aspx in early summer.

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