

Diesel Emission Reduction Program Supporters

November 2, 2005

The Honorable George W. Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As a uniquely broad coalition, we request that you include \$200 million for the Diesel Emission Reduction Program in your fiscal year 2007 (FY2007) budget. This program builds on the success of your clean diesel initiatives.

Diesel powered vehicles and equipment play an important part in the nation's economy and are getting cleaner every day. Under your leadership, the Environmental Protection Agency has adopted diesel fuel and new engine regulations that will provide dramatic reductions in emissions.

However, the 11 million diesel powered vehicles and equipment already in use are not affected by these standards. This population of existing engines has a long life and will remain in service for decades. The Diesel Emission Reduction Program, as authorized by the Energy Policy Act of 2005, is designed to provide significant emissions reductions from these existing engines. The Energy Policy Act authorized several important diesel initiatives, and we support all of these. We are requesting that you provide funding for this Program with the clear direction that the intent of the Clean School Bus USA Program, Diesel Truck Retrofit and Fleet Modernization Program, and Engine Idling Reduction Program as authorized will be carried out within it.

This investment is needed and is fiscally responsible, yielding one of the greatest benefits to cost ratios of any federal program according to the Office of Management and Budget's own calculations. It will go a long way toward helping states and localities meet the nation's new clean air standards. It also employs the most cost-effective emissions reduction strategies. Furthermore, similar to existing federal and state programs, the federal contribution will likely be dwarfed by the funding leveraged from other sources.

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States, localities, environmental, health, user, and industry groups all support full funding of the Diesel Emission Reduction Program as the unifying vehicle to address this opportunity. Full funding of this Program is sound environmental, economic, and budgetary policy.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Alabama State Port Authority
Albany Port District Commission
American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA)
American Bottom Conservancy
American Lung Association
American Lung Association of Metropolitan Chicago
American Lung Association of New York State, Inc.
American Lung Association of Washington
American Road and Transportation Builders Association
American Trucking Associations
Anderson Clayton Corporation
Arthur F. Mulligan Inc
Associated Equipment Distributors
Associated General Contractors of America (AGC)
Association of American Railroads
Association of Equipment Manufacturers
Association of Local Air Pollution Control Officials (ALAPCO)
Bay Area Air Quality Management District
Beck Bus Transportation
Black Roack Systems LLC
Blue Water Network (Division of Friends of the Earth)
Broadview Cooperative Gin, Inc.
Buttonwillow Ginning Co.
California Cotton Ginner and Growers Association (CCGGA)
California School Transportation Association
Canadian Hydrogen Energy Company
Cantua Cooperative Gin, Inc.
Caterpillar Inc.
Central Ohio Clean Fuels Coalition
Central Valley Coop
Chappaqua Transportation
Chestnut Ridge Transportation, Inc.
Citizen Action - Illinois
Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future

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Clean Air Action Corporation
Clean Air Task Force (CATF)
Clean Air Watch
Clean Diesel Technologies, Inc.
Clean Water Action
Clean Water Action - Connecticut
Clean Water Action - Pennsylvania
Clean Water Action - Rhode Island
Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority
Community Bus Services, Inc
Community Health Initiative
Commuter Challenge
Connecticut School Transportation Association
Construction Industry Air Quality Association
Corning Incorporated
County Line Gin, Inc.
Cross Creek II Gin, LLC
Cummins Inc.
Daimler-Chrysler
Deere and Company
Dell Transportation
Delphi Corporation
Detroit Diesel Corporation
Deutz Corporation
Diesel Technology Forum (DTF)
Donaldson Company
Dos Palos Cooperative Gin, Inc.
Dousman Transport Company, Inc.
Durham School Services LLC
Eagle Valley Ginning LLC
Earth Day Coalition's Clean Fuels Program
Eaton Corporation
Educational Bus Transportation, Inc.
Elbow Enterprises, Inc.
Emerson Park Development Corporation
Emissions Control Technology Association (ECTA)
Emisstar
Engelhard Corporation
Engine Manufacturers Association (EMA)
Environment Northeast
Environmental Defense
Extengine Transport Systems, LLC
Farmers Cooperative Gin, Inc.
Farmers Firebaugh Ginning Co.
Fleetguard Emissions Solutions

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Galveston-Houston Association for Smog Prevention (GHASP)
Gershowitz Transportation, Inc.
Green Environmental Council
Greenpeace
Group Against Smog and Pollution
Health & Environmental Justice - St. Louis
Hendrickson Bus Corporation
Honeywell
Huntington Coach Corporation
Huron Ginning Company, Inc.
IdleAire Technologies Corporation
Illinois School Transportation Association
International Brotherhood of Teamsters
International Truck and Engine Corporation
Isuzu Manufacturing Services of America, Inc.
Izaak Walton League of America (Midwest Office)
Jaco Transportation, Inc.
Johnson Matthey
Kent Environmental Council
Kerman Coop Gin
Kern Delta-Weedpatch Cotton Ginning Co.
Kobussen Buses, Ltd
KyotoUSA
Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority
Laton Cooperative Gin Inc.
Lubrizol Engine Control Systems
Madera Cooperative Gin, Inc
Manson Construction Company
Manufacturers of Emission Controls Association (MECA)
Massachusetts Clean Water Action Alliance
Massachusetts Port Authority
Mid State Bus Service, Inc.
Mid-City Transit Corp.
Mid-Valley Cotton Growers, Inc.
Minnesota School Bus Operators Association
Minturn Cooperative Gin, Inc.
Modern Ginning Company
Myer Bus Line, Inc.
National Association for Pupil Transportation (NAPT)
National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services
National Mining Association
National School Transportation Association
Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)
Neighborhood House of North Richmond (CA)
New Jersey Environmental Federation

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New York School Bus Contractors Association
NGK Automotive Ceramics USA, Inc.
NGVAmerica
North Carolina State Port Authority
North Valley Cotton Gin
Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management (NESCAUM)
Northwest Clean Air Agency
Oakland Maritime Support Services
Ohio Bus Association
Ohio Environmental Council
Ohio Equipment Distributors Association
Ohio Manufacturers Association
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
Pacific Institute for Studies in Development, Environment, & Security
Pacific Pima Gin Company
Pacifica
Panoche Ginning Company
Passenger Vessel Association
Pennsylvania School Bus Association
Physicians for Social Responsibility
Planters Ginning Company
Port Freeport, TX
Port of Everett
Port of Galveston
Port of Houston Authority
Port of Long Beach
Port of Los Angeles
Port of Miami
Port of Oakland Pacific Merchant Shipping Association
Port of Portland (OR)
Port of Sacramento
Port of Seattle
Port of Tacoma
Port of Vancouver, USA
Port of Wilmington, Delaware
Puget Sound Clean Air Agency
Railpower Technologies Corporation
Robert Bosch Corporation
Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District
San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District
Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District
Semi-Tropic Cooperative Gin
Shafter-Wasco Ginning Co, Inc
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South Coast Air Quality Management District
South Valley Gins, Inc.
Southern Alliance for Clean Energy
Southern Environmental Law Center
Southwest Clean Air Agency
SSA Marine
State and Territorial Air Pollution Program Administrators (STAPPA)
Stratford Growers, Inc.
Sunrise Transportation
Symbiotic Strategies, LLC
Tenneco Automotive
Texas Public Citizen
The Britz Gins
The J.G. Boswell Company
The National Association of Waterfront Employees (NAWE)
The Port Authority of New York & New Jersey
The TransGroup, LLC
Tri-City Growers, Inc.
Tule River Cooperative Gin, Inc.
Umicore Autocat USA Inc.
Union of Concerned Scientists
Unions for Jobs and the Environment
United States Chamber of Commerce
Veterans Trans. Co. Inc.
Virginia Port Authority
Visalia Cooperative Cotton Gin
Volkswagon
Volvo Powertrain North America
West Valley Cotton Growers, Inc.
Western Lake Erie Waterkeeper
Western States Petroleum Association
Westfield Ginning
Westhaven Cotton Co.
Westside Farmers Cooperative Gin, Inc.
Yakima Regional Clean Air Authority

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