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## SOLICITATIONS

### *EPA Region 6 Asks for Proposals for Regional Geographic Initiative*

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requests proposals for Regional Geographic Initiative (RGI) projects in Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. The RGI funds unique, geographically based projects that fill critical gaps in EPA's ability to protect human health and the environment by fostering and supporting community-driven approaches to long-term, sustainable solutions to environmental challenges. The agency expects \$300,000 to be available and plans to make up to 10 awards. Responses are due on Friday, February 24, 2006. For more information, please contact Margie Floyd, EPA, at (214) 665-8461, or go to <http://www.epa.gov/earth1r6/gandf/> and look at Solicitation# EPA-R6-RGI-2006-01. Source: Laurie Brown, DOE Western Regional Office

### *ATRI Looks for Teams to Demonstrate Mobile Idle Reduction Technologies*

The American Transportation Research Institute (ATRI) recently released a request for proposals (RFP) seeking project teams to demonstrate and evaluate mobile idling reduction technologies on heavy-duty trucks. These technologies may be either installed as part of the truck manufacturing process or prior to the truck's being placed in service. Project teams must consist of a trucking fleet, a truck manufacturer, and an idling reduction technology vendor. A total of \$350,000 is expected to be awarded. Interested parties must submit proposals no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on Wednesday, March 1, 2006. To obtain a copy of the RFP, please visit <http://www.atri-online.org>. Questions can be directed to Mike Tunnell at (916) 373-3534 or to [atriRFP@trucking.org](mailto:atriRFP@trucking.org). Source: Mike Tunnell, ATRI

### *Ohio Department of Development Releases RFP for TSE*

The Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) has released an RFP seeking companies to outfit Ohio truck stops with equipment to reduce engine idling. The State is looking to award \$400,000 to one or more businesses that supply and install truck stop electrification (TSE) facilities for up to 50 spaces at truck stops. The successful bidder(s) would collect and report data on the utilization of the electrified parking spots, participate in a case study about the effectiveness of the project, and match the grant funds with at least 50 percent in cost sharing. A bidders' public meeting will be held on Friday, February 24, 2006, in Columbus, and proposals are due on Wednesday, March 22, 2006. More information, applications, and details about the RFP are available at <http://www.odod.state.oh.us/cdd/oe/Transportation.htm>. ODOD expects to select the winning bidder(s) in early summer and have the new facility open before the end of 2007. Source: Joe Tario, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA)

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### ***EPA Announces \$3 Million Collaborative Diesel Emissions Reductions RFP***

The West Coast Collaborative has released a \$3 million RFP for projects that will demonstrate new, innovative, or experimental applications, technologies, methods, or approaches to reducing diesel emissions as part of the West Coast Collaborative. There will be a teleconference for questions and answers relating to the RFP on Monday, February 6, 2006, at 1 p.m. PST, and the proposals are due to EPA Region 10 in Seattle, Washington, on Thursday, March 23. EPA expects to award up to 12 grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$500,000. You can find further information about this RFP at

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/AIRPAGE.NSF/grants/WCC+RFP> or

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=7737>. *Source:* Peter Murchie, EPA Region 10

### ***USDA Opens Solicitation for Conservation Innovation Grants Program***

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) requests proposals for its Conservation Innovation Grants Program (CIG). The purpose of CIG is to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies while leveraging Federal investment in environmental enhancement and protection, in conjunction with agricultural production. USDA expects \$20 million to be available for up to 50 awards. Responses are due on Monday, March 20, 2006. For more information, please contact Kari Cohen at (202) 720-2335 or go to <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/cig> and look for Solicitation#USDA-GRANTS-010606-001. *Source:* Laurie Brown, DOE Western Regional Office

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AWARDS**

### ***Pennsylvania Small Business Advantage Awards Fund More Idling Reduction Equipment***

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) makes awards on a rolling basis for its Small Business Advantage Program. A press release on January 9, 2006, announced a new round of 19 awards totaling \$116,000. Two of these awards totaling \$9,102 were made for the cost-shared purchase of auxiliary power units (APU) for long-haul tractor-trailers.

Small Business Advantage grants provide a 50-percent match of up to \$7,500 for equipment or processes that reduce energy consumption and promote pollution prevention while increasing profitability. The program, which was launched in July 2004, has been extremely popular, awarding more than \$1 million to more than 400 recipients across the Commonwealth.

The program has been so successful that although it was expected to close on January 6, 2006, the DEP stopped receiving applications in November 2005 due to the vast number of requests for funding. The first round of grants last year closed 5 months before its scheduled deadline for the same reason. The next grant round for Small Business Advantage is expected to open July 1, 2006. For more information, please go to <http://www.ahs.dep.state.pa.us/newsreleases/default.asp?ID=3772>.



### ***Idling Equipment Manufacturer Wins Pennsylvania Clean Energy Project Grant***

The Pennsylvania DEP has recently awarded a \$287,133 grant to the Lawrence County Economic Development Corporation to help Star Class, a manufacturer of custom-built truck sleepers, upgrade and expand its manufacturing plant in New Castle to increase production of APU's for idling trucks. This Clean Energy Project Grant is one of 25 projects receiving a total of \$8.5 million in grants and loans. For more information, please see <http://www.ahs.dep.state.pa.us/newsreleases/default.asp?ID=3776&varQueryType=Detail>.

### **CONFERENCES, MEETINGS, AND WORKSHOPS**

#### ***CARB to Hold Three Public Meetings on Goods Movement Activities***

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) plans to hold three public meetings in February to hear comments on concepts to improve and expand the infrastructure (roads, railways, and ports), strategies to cut air pollution from ports and goods movement, approaches to mitigate community impacts, and funding mechanisms to accomplish these goals. As part of developing a Goods Movement Action Plan for California, CARB staff has released a draft Emissions Reduction Plan for Ports and International Goods Movement, which is available at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/gmerp/gmerp.htm>. The first three meetings will be held on Monday, February 6, 2006, in Wilmington; Wednesday, February 22, in Commerce; and Monday, February 27, in Oakland. Additional meetings will be held in Long Beach, Mira Loma, San Diego, and Fresno in the near future. If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia Marvin at (916) 322-5350 or Gwen Strivers at (916) 323-5404.

#### ***Western Riverside County Clean Cities Coalition Co-Hosts "Advancing the Choice" on February 9***

The Moreno Valley (California) Conference and Recreation Center will be the site of the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual "Advancing the Choice and Expo" workshop. This 1-day event is sponsored by the Western Riverside County Clean Cities Coalition and the City of Moreno Valley. "Advancing the Choice" conferences have provided both an excellent opportunity for showcasing new technology and research, and serve as a forum for interaction between the public and private sectors with respect to alternative fuels and advanced technology vehicles in their communities. Light- to heavy-duty vehicles will be on display during the course of the meeting. For more information, please contact Rick Bishop at (951) 955-7985 or Barbara Spoonhour at (951) 955-8313. *Source:* Rosa S. Washington, Western Riverside County Clean Cities Coalition

#### ***First Meeting of Carl Moyer Advisory Group Set for February 9***

CARB staff has revised the existing Carl Moyer Program guidelines to address new statutory requirements. The guidelines were approved by the Board on November 17, 2005. As a result, the Program has established an advisory group, and the first meeting of this group will be held in Sacramento on Thursday, February 9, 2006. Information regarding these revisions, such as public workshops and presentations, may be found at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/guidelines/revisions05.htm> and [http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/advisory\\_grp/msc0602.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/advisory_grp/msc0602.pdf).

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If you have questions regarding either the meeting or the advisory group, please contact Andrew Panson at (916) 323-2881 or [apanson@arb.ca.gov](mailto:apanson@arb.ca.gov).

### ***Port of Duluth Clean and Efficient Goods Movement Workshop Set for February 22***

The Duluth Seaway Port Authority and EPA are among the sponsors of a 1-day workshop on Wednesday, February 22, 2006, in Duluth, Minnesota, to address the issues of diesel emissions from trucks, locomotives, waterborne vessels, and cargo-handling equipment at ports. Registration is \$15 and closes on Wednesday, February 15. Further information and the registration form are available at <http://www.duluthport.com/epaconf2.html>. *Source:* Julie Magee, EPA Region 5

### ***Kick-Off Meeting of Mid-Atlantic Diesel Collaborative to be February 28***

The first public meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Diesel Collaborative, "Diesel Directions – A Workshop," will be held on Tuesday, February 28, 2006, in Washington, D.C. This 1-day meeting will have presentations from representatives of the EPA National Clean Diesel Campaign and SmartWay Transport Partnership, an overview of the Collaborative mission and purpose, diesel manufacturers' forum, financial support and funding opportunities, and breakout sessions. The Mid-Atlantic Diesel Collaborative is a new partnership among leaders from Federal, State, and local governments; the private sector; and environmental groups in Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. The Collaborative is part of an overall national campaign to reduce diesel emissions. Please visit <http://www.epa.gov/reg3artd/workshop/dieseldirections.htm> to register and view associated materials.

### ***Michigan Clean Fleet Conference on March 22 to Focus on Cleaner Air, Higher Fuel Economy, and Saving Money***

NextEnergy, EPA, and the Michigan Departments of Environmental Quality and Labor and Economic Growth - Energy Office will present a 1-day conference to educate public and private fleet managers, public officials, trucking companies, school districts, and other stakeholders on the various strategies, fuels, and technologies available in the marketplace to assist fleets in conserving fuel, decreasing emissions, and saving money. The meeting will be held in Detroit, Michigan, on Wednesday, March 22, 2006. The early registration fee of \$25 is due by Friday, March 10; after that date, the fee increases to \$35. On-line registration is available at <http://www.michigan.gov/deqworkshops>; please select "Upcoming Workshops" to go to the form. For more information, please go to [http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-135-3308\\_3333\\_4169---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-135-3308_3333_4169---,00.html). *Source:* Julie Magee, EPA Region 5

## REGULATORY NEWS

### ***Georgia Plans to Set New Idling Limits***

According to the January 4, 2006, issue of *Land Line*, environmental officials in Georgia plan to draft a Statewide rule sometime this month that would introduce idling limits for diesel engines. The *Macon Telegraph* reported that the regulation could limit idling times to less than 15 minutes and could also offer incentives to long-haul truckers to avoid idling. The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) was scheduled to draft the rule in August

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2005, but fuel shortages caused by Hurricane Katrina made it necessary to postpone any new fuel or transportation requirements, the *Telegraph* reported. Even though a draft is expected in January, it could still be several months before any final rule is set in place.

William Cook, EPD Engine and Fuels Unit Manager, told the *Telegraph* that the EPD hopes to convene a stakeholders meeting in February or March to discuss parameters for the rule. Cook said local governments would likely have to adopt rules reflecting the State legislation, which would then allow the local authorities to enforce the law. For more information, please go to [http://www.landlinemag.com/todays\\_news/Daily/2006/Jan06/010406.htm](http://www.landlinemag.com/todays_news/Daily/2006/Jan06/010406.htm) and <http://www.macon.com/mld/macon/news/local/13520880.htm>. *Source:* Jeff Kim, Shurepower

### TRUCK STOP ELECTRIFICATION

#### *Clean Cities Web Site Now Offers TSE Locator*

The DOE Clean Cities web site now displays the locations of public truck stops that have idling reduction facilities for heavy-duty trucks. These facilities are available in 11 States (Alabama, Arkansas, California, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, New Jersey, New York, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas). Both IdleAire and Shurepower installations are listed in this locator. For more information, please go to [http://www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities/idle/station\\_locator.html](http://www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities/idle/station_locator.html). *Source:* Shelley Launey, DOE

#### *IdleAire Secures Financing For 35-State, 210-Location Network*

On January 4, 2006, IdleAire Technologies Corporation of Knoxville, Tennessee, announced the sale of \$320 million of discount notes and warrants that will fund the company's next major growth phase over the next 15 months. Proceeds will allow for the installation of approximately 13,200 parking spaces in about 210 locations in up to 35 States. The company plans to add its idling reduction technology in a "network" of approximately 160 travel centers (truck stops) and 50 truck fleet terminals strategically selected for their size, convenience along key freight corridors, quality of driver amenities, and average daily/monthly number of idling trucks. Construction will begin immediately at key sites with IdleAire's nationwide travel center partners – TravelCenters of America, Petro Stopping Centers, and Pilot Travel Centers – as well as sites owned by smaller chains and independently owned travel centers.

According to the *Knoxville News-Sentinel*, the IdleAire expansion would create 2,000 full- and part-time jobs, mostly at IdleAire installations across the country. Some new employees would also be hired at the company's corporate offices in West Knoxville, Tennessee. For more information, please go to [http://www.idleaire.com/newsroom/releases/01\\_04\\_2006.jsp](http://www.idleaire.com/newsroom/releases/01_04_2006.jsp), [http://www3.knoxnews.com/kns/business/article/0,1406,KNS\\_376\\_4361158,00.html](http://www3.knoxnews.com/kns/business/article/0,1406,KNS_376_4361158,00.html), and [http://www3.knoxnews.com/kns/business/article/0,1406,KNS\\_376\\_4364148,00.html](http://www3.knoxnews.com/kns/business/article/0,1406,KNS_376_4364148,00.html).

*Source:* John Doty, IdleAire

#### *Shurepower to Install and Operate Electrified Loading Docks*

NYSERDA has recently awarded a cost-shared contract to Shurepower, LLC, for the installation and operation of electrified loading docks and parking spaces for heavy-duty

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diesel trucks and refrigerated trailers. With co-funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's SmartWay Transport Partnership, this project seeks to demonstrate electric-powered trailer refrigeration units (TRU's) and document their ability to reduce air pollution, noise, and diesel fuel use.

Located at the Maines Paper & Food Service, Inc., distribution facility in Conklin, New York, the demonstration project is the first of its kind to supply grid power to over-the-road electric hybrid TRU refrigerated trailers. New West Technologies, LLC, will be assisting Shurepower in the project by providing engineering expertise. Shurepower will work with the New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, which will provide three-phase power to the site. Designated loading docks, along with parking spaces that serve as staging areas for the trailers, will be electrified. Ten demonstration trailers manufactured by Great Dane Trailers will be outfitted with Carrier-Transicold TRU's equipped with Deltek hybrid diesel electric technology that can be directly powered by electricity. Truck tractors, supplied by Penske Truck Leasing Co., will be retrofitted to allow for shore power plug-in capability for sleeper cab comfort. *Source:* Joe Tario, NYSERDA

### ***Final Report Now Available on 3-Year Truck Electrified Parking Project***

NYSERDA has recently posted a final report on its website that describes a shore power truck electrified parking demonstration project located on Interstate 87 in New York State. The 3-year project used the Shurepower pedestal plug-in system, which allows drivers to connect to an electrical outlet (receptacle) by swiping a magnetically encoded user card and entering the desired parking space number at the payment kiosk. The system was designed to monitor utilization parameters including time of use, energy used, user identification, and weather. NYSERDA, the New York Department of Transportation, and the U.S. Department of Energy Oak Ridge National Laboratory were the sponsors of the project. For more information, please go to <http://www.nyserdera.org/publications/I87TSEDemonstrationReportDec05.pdf>. *Source:* Joe Tario, NYSERDA

## SCHOOL BUS NEWS

### ***Two North Carolina School Districts Restrict Idling Vehicles***

To reduce emissions and conserve gas, both Cabarrus County and Kannapolis City Schools in North Carolina approved anti-idling policies at their board meetings in mid-December 2005. North Carolina required all State school districts to approve the policies before it allocates supplemental fuel funding in early January. Set for enforcement on January 3, 2006, Cabarrus will require the policy for every vehicle on school grounds, from buses to parents waiting in car riders' lines, while Kannapolis' policy will apply to bus drivers and to service delivery vehicles. Cabarrus school bus drivers will be prohibited from unnecessarily idling their bus engines and warming up buses for longer than 5 minutes on school grounds or other locations. School bus drivers and school personnel must follow the policy when transporting students to and from school, extracurricular activities, field trips and other school-related activities. The schools will also establish "no idling" zones where parents wait to pick up their children after school. For more information, please go to [http://www.independenttribune.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=CIT/MGArticle/CIT\\_BasicArticle&c=MGArticle&cid=1128768788617](http://www.independenttribune.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=CIT/MGArticle/CIT_BasicArticle&c=MGArticle&cid=1128768788617). *Source:* Kristen Gifford, Diesel Technology Forum

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### ***MassDEP Fines Two School Bus Companies \$12,000***

Two school bus companies serving school systems in Massachusetts have been assessed a total of \$12,000 in penalties by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) after inspections determined that buses operating in Boston and Dudley were idling excessively and needlessly exposing children to air pollution. Three other companies were also cited for idling violations.

First Student, Inc., with offices located in Hanson, has paid a \$10,000 penalty after MassDEP inspectors observed the firm's buses idling longer than 5 minutes last spring at the Murphy School in Dorchester, the Blackstone School in Boston, and at the company's bus yard in Charlestown. Laidlaw Transit, Inc., which operates the school bus fleet for the Shepard Hill Regional High School in Dudley, faces a \$2,000 penalty after MassDEP observed excessive idling of the company's buses outside the regional school last spring.

The fines against First Student and Laidlaw Transit resulted from the third round of inspections of school bus companies conducted last spring by MassDEP. In all, inspectors checked 400 buses at 32 schools and found 11 violations of the State's 5-minute anti-idling law. During the Statewide crackdown that began in the fall of 2004, inspectors observed 1,084 buses at 91 schools and found 58 idling violations.

Each of the bus companies found to be in violation of the idling regulation must commit to operating within the law, train new and veteran drivers on an annual basis about the requirements of the idling regulation and the health issues concerning diesel fuel exhaust, and they must submit a report to MassDEP on the actions taken to comply with the law. Bus company compliance rates improve significantly as MassDEP has trained more school bus drivers. For more information, please see <http://www.mass.gov/dep/public/press/busidlee.htm>. Source: Julie Ross, MassDEP

## **RAILROAD NEWS**

### ***Guilford Rail System to Install APU's***

According to the *Morning Sentinel*, a State Committee on Transportation meeting in Augusta, Maine, brought out both citizens angry at the Guilford Rail System and the excessive idling of its locomotives and a representative from the company. The hearing was a result of seven Maine legislators who sponsored a bill to limit idling of locomotives. The railroad announced that it is taking steps to reduce the mechanical need of its 100 locomotives to idle for long periods of time by installing an APU from EcoTrans Technologies. Eventually, Guilford plans to have APU's on its trains to reduce both idling time and emissions. The units cost about \$30,000 each, and the railroad installed the first one on a train in mid-January. However, the cost and length of time to install each unit could mean that it would be years before the each locomotive in the fleet is equipped with an APU. For more information, please go to <http://morningsentinel.maine.com/news/local/2363583.shtml>. Source: Joel Elliott, *Morning Sentinel*

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### ***Report on Vancouver, Washington, Locomotive Idle Reduction Project Now Available***

In April 2003, EPA awarded a grant of \$85,000 to the Southwest Clean Air Agency in Vancouver, Washington, to evaluate the emission reductions and fuel savings of a Class I railroad using a combined auxiliary engine idle reduction technology and automatic shut-down/start-up technology. The 17-page case study on this project, "Vancouver, WA Switchyard Locomotive Idle Reduction Project," is now available on the EPA SmartWay Transport Partnership web site at <http://www.epa.gov/smartway/idle-demo.htm>. For more information on the project, please contact Paul Mairose at the Southwest Clean Air Agency at (360) 574-3058, ext. 30, or [paul@swcleanair.org](mailto:paul@swcleanair.org). *Source:* Elizabeth Lonoff, EPA

### ***Union Pacific Seeks Bids for 60 Low Emission Gen-Set Switchers***

Union Pacific Railroad is testing an environmentally friendly prototype diesel locomotive and is asking for bids to build 60 for use in Los Angeles Basin rail yards. This is part of the railroad's ongoing efforts to continue reducing air emissions in cooperation with Federal, State, and local environmental agencies.

The 2,100-horsepower locomotives are called "Generator-Set," or "Gen-Set," switchers. Each locomotive would be powered by three 700-horsepower, low-emission off-road diesel engines projected to reduce emissions by up to 80 percent, while using as much as 40 percent less fuel compared to current low-horsepower locomotives. Union Pacific began studies and tests of a Gen-Set switcher locomotive in 2002. That prototype locomotive is working in Los Angeles, Calif. Union Pacific expects to receive 30 of the new low-emission, low-horsepower locomotives in 2006, with the remaining 30 in 2007. These locomotives will be used to serve customers and sort rail cars for outbound trains. For more information, please see [http://www.uprr.com/newsinfo/releases/environment/2006/0119\\_genset.shtml](http://www.uprr.com/newsinfo/releases/environment/2006/0119_genset.shtml). *Source:* Joe Tario, NYSERDA

## **OTHER NEWS OF INTEREST**

### ***New ACEEE Report Advocates More Funding for Truck Idling Reduction Technologies***

The American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE) recently released a report entitled, "Reducing Oil Use through Energy Efficiency: Opportunities beyond Cars and Light Trucks." The findings of the report show how freight trucks, the industrial sector, and buildings could save substantial amounts of oil. Among the recommendations in the 45-page document is the need, in their view, for more funding for idling reduction technologies for trucks in order to reduce energy use by that sector of the economy. The report can be downloaded for free at <http://aceee.org/pubs/e061.htm> or purchased for \$20 plus \$5 for shipping and handling for a hard copy from ACEEE. *Source:* Joe Tario, NYSERDA

### ***LRAPA "Everybody Wins" Program Starts Phase 2***

In Lane County, Oregon, the "Everybody Wins" auxiliary power unit (APU) installation program that was developed by Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority (LRAPA) in late 2004 has recently completed Phase 1. The project goal of 100 APU installations for trucks using

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the Interstate 5 corridor in Oregon was reached in December 2005. The program has attracted attention from more APU manufacturers, and has increased awareness of idling reduction technologies among the tens of thousands of drivers who use the Interstate 5 corridor in the western States.

The success of the program has spurred the creation of "Everybody Wins – Phase 2," which has also earned LRAPA a \$500,000 EPA grant for a "Truck Idle Reduction Technology Demonstration Program." The purpose of the grant is to demonstrate and evaluate how APU's reduce emissions from idling trucks. The goal of the project is to provide a low-cost, lease-to-own opportunity for truckers to purchase approximately 250 more APU's. All manufacturers with commercially available APU technology in Oregon will be invited to participate in a market-based approach. LRAPA will work with APU manufacturers and installers to continually improve the ability of the industry to effectively penetrate the growing APU market of small fleet and owner-operator drivers. The LRAPA programs continue to generate interest from different idling reduction equipment manufacturers, and it is anticipated that new companies and new products will become available as the program develops.

The conclusion of the project will be a case study report to the EPA after the collection of a year's worth of data on the use of the APU's, a report that will then be showcased to publicize the use of the idling reduction technology to the trucking industry. For more information, please visit [http://www.lrapa.org/projects/everybody\\_wins/](http://www.lrapa.org/projects/everybody_wins/). *Source:* Gordon Griffith, LRAPA

### ***Schneider Introduces Fuel-Saving Leasing Program***

Schneider National Inc., a large trucking company, recently announced that it is bolstering its Owner-Operator Success Lease Program so that all new units leased or sold by Schneider Finance will include Thermo King TriPac heating and cooling units in aerodynamic Freightliner Century, Kenworth T2000, Volvo 780, and Peterbilt 386 and 387 tractors. The TriPac unit will also be installed on Schneider Finance's low-mileage used tractor inventory. By pairing TriPac units with aerodynamic tractors, owner-operators could see a \$500-\$700 fuel savings each month by cutting idling, and as much as a mile per gallon fuel economy improvement — which could mean up to \$1,000 per month of fuel savings at current prices, according to Schneider. For more information, please go to <http://www.schneider.com>. *Source:* Joe Tario, NYSERDA

### ***Summary of State Anti-Idling Regulations***

The most up-to-date list of anti-idling regulations in States and municipalities is available at <http://www.atri-online.org/2005.ATRI.IdlingCompendium.pdf>. If your State or municipality has changed anything listed here or if it is in error, please let us know, and we'll make sure to inform our readership. This newsletter is also a place to let people know that you are thinking of adding or changing regulations and are soliciting comments.

### ***Incentives and Funding Opportunities for Idling Reduction Projects***

The U.S. Department of Energy's Clean Cities program provides a listing of Federal and State programs that offer incentives and funding for idling reduction projects. Further

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information can be found at <http://www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities/idle/incentives.html>. Please let us know if the information needs to be changed or updated. The West Coast Diesel Collaborative has a comprehensive listing of grant and loan programs available from many States to purchase or apply for a loan for on-board idling reduction equipment. For the listing of these programs, please go to <http://www.westcoastdiesel.org/programs.htm>.

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