2012 Merit Review: EPAct State and Alternative Fuel Provider Fleets

"Alternative Fuel Transportation Program"

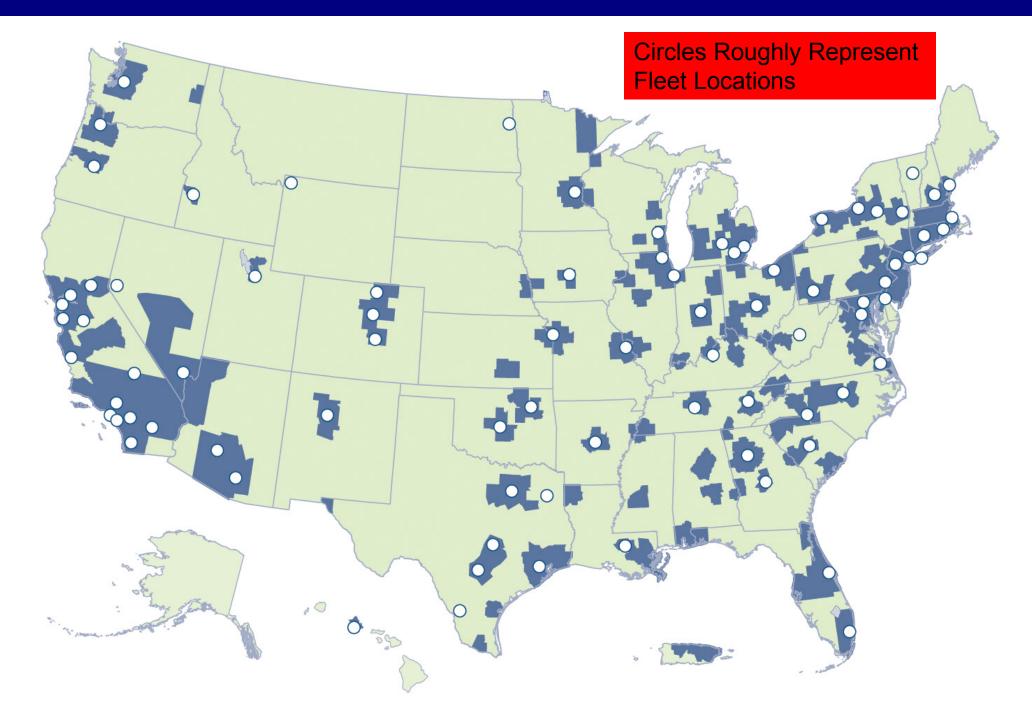
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- Background on SFP Program
- Overview
- Objectives
- Milestones/Activities
- Approach
- Accomplishments/Progress/Results
- Future Work
- Summary

- Energy Policy Act (EPAct) of 1992 Required DOE to establish an Alternative Fuel Transportation Program
 - Primary purpose to promote Replacement/Alternative Fuels through the acquisition of light-duty AFVs
- Regulatory Process Initiated in 1994
- Mandatory Compliance Started in Model Year (MY) 1997
- Annually 300+ State and Fuel Provider (SFP) Entities Must Meet Annual Requirements

SFP Fleets



Overview

- Timeline
 - Ongoing Regulatory Compliance Program
 - Arising from EPAct 1992
 - With Subsequent Legislative Amendments
 - Energy Reauthorization Act of 1998 (ECRA)
 - EPAct 2005
 - Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA)
- Budget
 - Funding in FY11 (\$1.8M)
 - Funding in FY12 (\$1.8 M)

- Petroleum Reduction and Replacement
- Implement the EPAct Alternative Fuels Transportation Program
 - Ensure Compliance with Regulatory Requirements for 300 + Fleets
 - Interpret/Analyze Legislative Requirements
 - Collect, Store, and Analyze Data Covered Fleets Submit to Comply with EPAct SFP Requirements
- Encourage/Empower Fleets to Go Beyond Standard Compliance Requirements to Reduce Petroleum Use
- Partnering with Clean Cities & Federal Fleet Programs

- Annual Reporting (12/31/11)
- Exemptions and Exclusions
- Interpretative Rulings
- Documentation
- Rulemaking (8/12)
- Alternative Fuel Petitions
- Reports
- Outreach

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State and Alternative Fuel Provider Fleets

Approach/Strategy

- Strong Focus on Ensuring Fleet Compliance
 - Flexible Options
 - Enhanced Outreach and Education
 - Working with Deficient Fleets
- Documentation
- Online Tools and Decision Support
- Regulation Modification/Update

Accomplishments/Progress/Results

- Regulatory Process
 - EISA Section 133 Proposed Rule
 - Reporting Requirements
 - Exemptions
 - Credits
 - Revision of Database
 - Draft Alternative Compliance Revisions
 - Review of the Current Regulatory Language

Accomplishments/Progress/Results

- Compliance/Enforcement
 - Standard Compliance 2011
 - Alternative Compliance 2011
 - Identified Additional Covered Fleets
 - Site Visits
 - Enforcement Plan

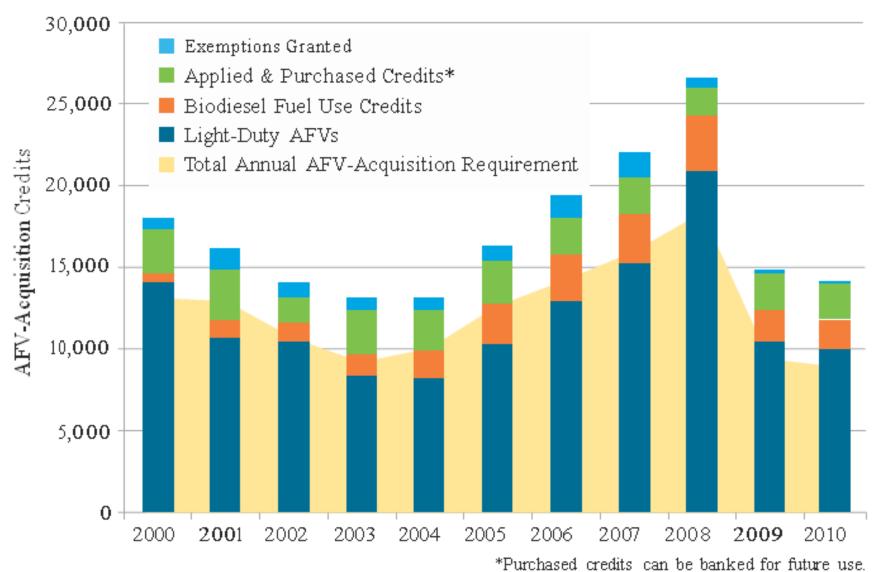
Accomplishments/Progress/Results

- Administration
 - Addressed Policy Positions
 - Addressed Interpretive Rulings
 - Developed Program's Document Disposition Schedule
 - Standard Operating Procedures Documentation
 - Appeals
 - Upgrading Program Database

- Outreach & Assistance
 - Developed Online Exemption Request Tool
 - Enhanced Public Petroleum REduction Planning (PREP) Tool
 - Continued Developing FleetAtlas Tool
 - EPAct Stakeholder & Fuel Retailer Workshops
 - Developing Workshop Toolkit and Training Course

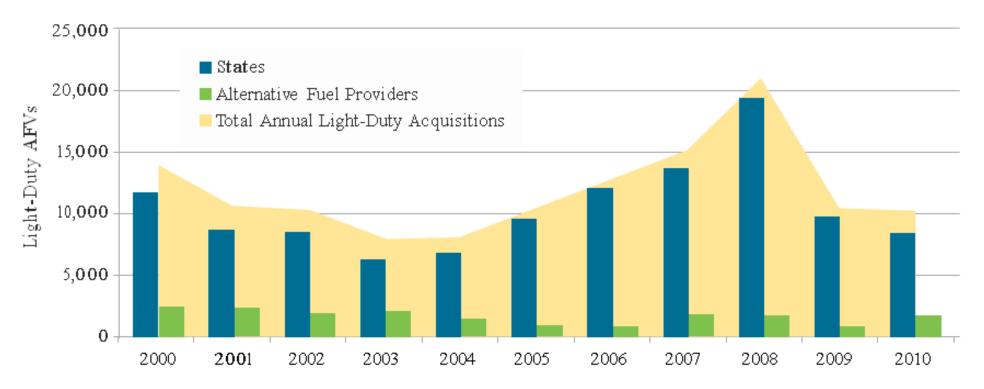
- Deployment of Various Vehicle Technologies Via:
 - Standard Compliance
 - Alternative Compliance
- 40-50 million Gasoline Gallon Equivalents (GGE)
- 100% Compliance

Standard Compliance Methods



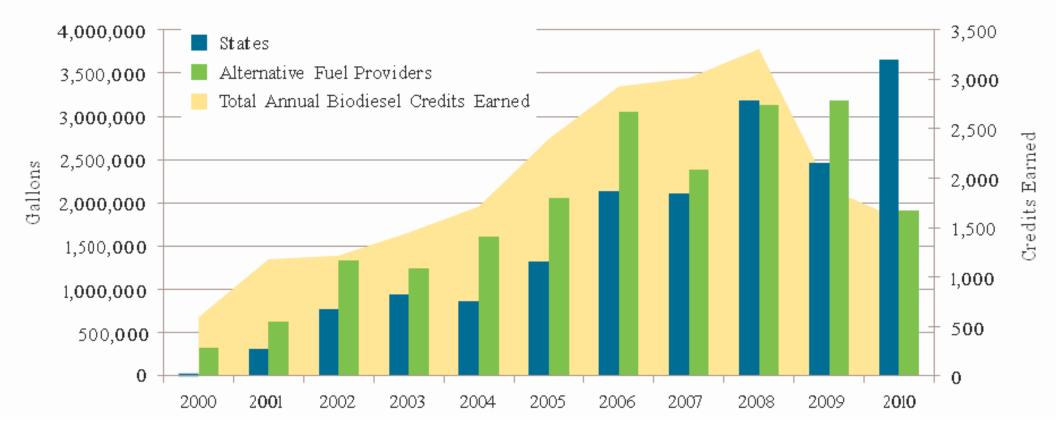
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Light-Duty AFV Acquisitions



*Includes all gallons reported

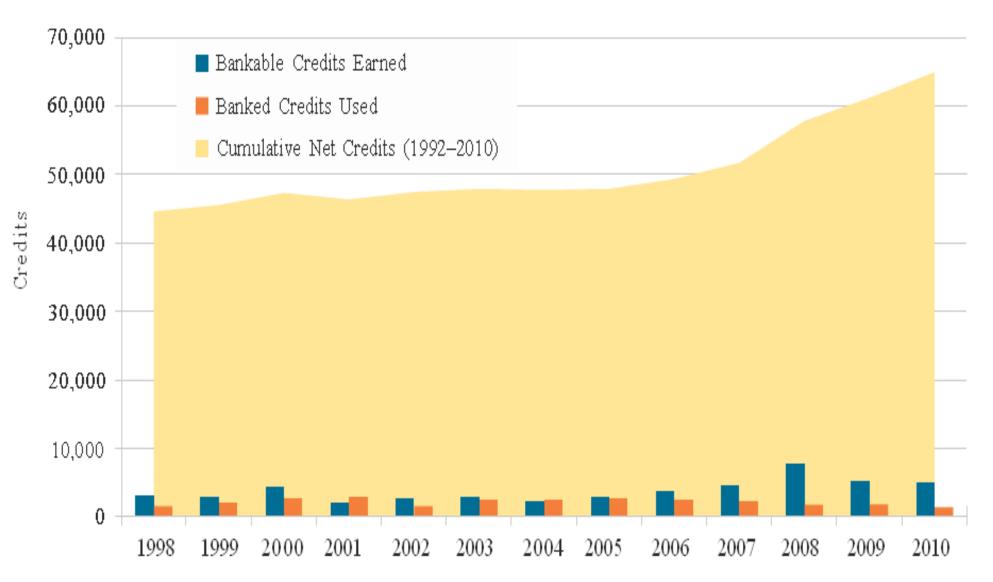
Annual Biodiesel (B100) Use and Biodiesel Credits Earned



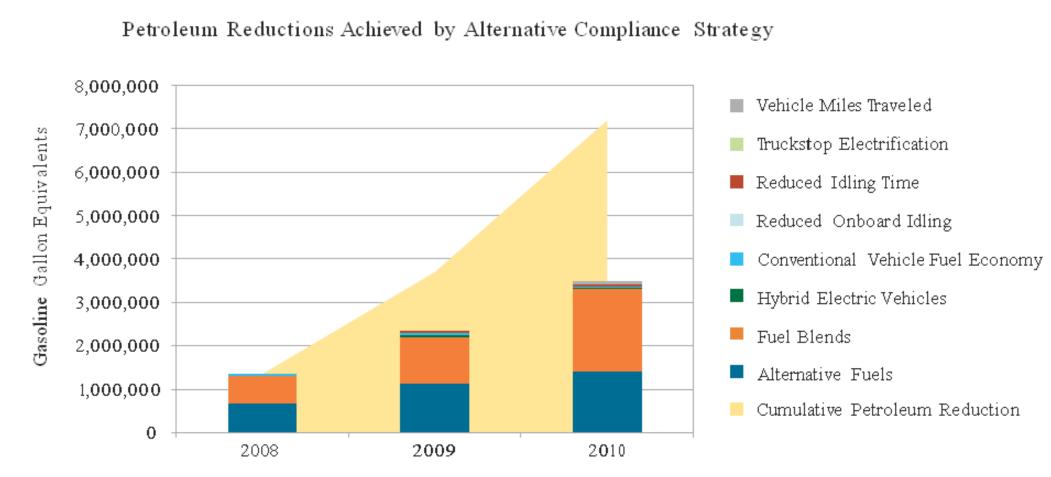
Annual Exemptions Requested and Granted Compared to Total AFV-Acquisition Requirement



Annual Credits Earned and Used



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MY2010 Results of Alternative Compliance Resulted nearly 3,414,312 GGE of petroleum reduced, from just 12 fleets (compared with 2,427,494 GGE for MY 2009)

Collaboration and Coordination

- EPAct Workshops
 - Clean Cities and Federal Fleet Programs
- Clean Cities Program
 - Incentives and Laws
 - Clean Cities Coordinator Training
 - Clean Cities Annual Retreat
- Alternative Fuel Petitions
 - Involves Reviews Cutting Across Various Programs
- Coordination with Fleets and Other Stakeholders to Facilitate
 Infrastructure Deployment
 - DOE Collaborating with Industry and Other Labs (Rulemaking Comments, Hearings, Conferences, Other Outreach)
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Future Work

- Additional Site Visits
- Regional EPAct Workshops
- Revision of Alternative Compliance Program
- Develop Online Compliance Tools
- Analyze Other Existing Fleets for Potential Coverage
- Issue EISA Section 133 Final Rule
- Develop Tool Kits for Best Practices
- GIS Analysis for Fleet Vehicles and Re-Fueling Infrastructure
- Documentation of Processes and Decisions
- Make Available Online Reporting for Additional Compliance Options

Summary

- Objectives
 - Petroleum Reduction and Replacement
 - Deploy and Encourage Technology Acquisitions
 - Collect, Store, and Analyze Data
 - Encourage/Empower Fleets to Go Beyond Standard Compliance Requirements
 - Ensuring Compliance with Statutory Requirements

Summary (Cont'd)

- Approach
 - Careful Development of New Requirements
 - Develop Flexible Approaches
 - Extensive Outreach and Technical Assistance
 - Analysis & Interpretive Rulings
 - Documentation
 - Online Tools and Decision Support

Summary (Cont'd)

- Results
 - Compliance Rate of 100%
 - Deployment of Various Vehicle Technologies Via Standard Compliance & Alternative Compliance
 - 40-50 million GGE of Petroleum Replacement Per Year (Conservative Estimate)
- Future Work
 - Enhancing Flexibility
 - Streamlining Program
 - Continue Documenting Decisions and Processes
 - Outreach
 - Capturing Additional Covered Fleets