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CAPITAL DISTRICT CLEAN COMMUNITIES MEMBERSHIP

WELCOME

The Capital District Clean Communities Coalition (CDCC) is based in Albany, NY. The Coalition includes 12 counties of the Greater Capital District – Albany, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Fulton, Montgomery, Schoharie, Otsego, Greene, Columbia, Warren and Washington Counties. The CDCC is part of nearly 100 Clean Cities coalitions across the country, under the United States Department of Energy’s Clean Cities program. The Clean Cities program advances the nation’s economic, environmental, and energy security by supporting local actions to reduce petroleum use in transportation. Clean Cities has displaced more than 4.5 billion gallons of petroleum since its inception in 1993.

The CDCC was formed in 1999. The Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC), the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Capital Region, manages the coalition as part of their work program. The Capital District provides substantial opportunities for the expansion of the alternative fuel marketplace, particularly with the large vehicle fleet that operates in the area. Coalition activities focus on alternative and renewable fuels, idle-reduction policy and technology, fuel economy improvements and emerging transportation technologies. The CDCC thinks globally and acts locally. The committed and passionate stakeholders recognize the need to transition to alternative fuels in the Capital District to reduce our country’s dependence on imported oil.

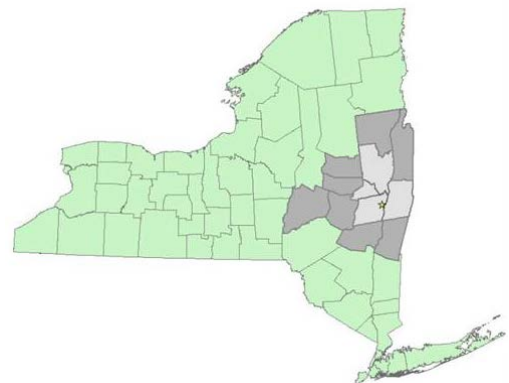
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MISSION

Clean Cities advances the energy, economic, and environmental security of the United States by supporting local actions to reduce petroleum use in transportation.

The United States relies heavily on foreign oil to power its transportation sector. Our country imported about 45% of the petroleum it consumed in 2011, and about two-thirds of these imports came from outside North America, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

Because transportation accounts for about 71% of U.S. petroleum consumption, reducing our dependence on petroleum-based fuels in this sector supports our economy and our energy security.

Increased economic and energy security aren't the only benefits of reducing petroleum use in transportation. Gasoline- and diesel-powered vehicles are major sources of greenhouse gases, smog-forming compounds, particulate matter, and other air pollutants. Widespread use of alternative fuels and advanced vehicles could greatly reduce the emissions that impact our air quality and public health.

MEMBER BENEFITS

Participating in this partnership provides many benefits to stakeholders and the region:

COLLECTIVE EFFORT: Membership in the CDCC provides a forum for joint action in working towards the common goals of reducing air pollution, creating jobs and becoming increasingly energy independent.

PUBLIC IMAGE: Membership in the Coalition identifies your business or agency as environmentally friendly and active in addressing environmental and energy concerns. The CDCC promotes its members, their products and projects through the website and social media. Your company or agency logo will be featured on the CDCC website.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: CDCC can help identify funding to support member projects - purchase of vehicles and installation of alternative fuel refueling and electric vehicle charging stations. CDCC will provide assistance to stakeholders with project development, preparation of grant applications and letters of support when possible.

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EDUCATION: The CDCC provides up-to-date information on the latest developments in alternative fuel vehicles, advanced vehicle technologies and state and federal legislation related to alternative fuels and infrastructure. The CDCC provides technical assistance to fleets deploying alternative fuels, advanced vehicles, and idle reduction.

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE: The CDCC provides a forum for members to access businesses and agencies currently employing alternative fuel vehicles and provides the opportunity to learn from the experience of others.

LEVERAGING RESOURCES: The development of partnerships among members allow for the leveraging of resources and the sharing of costs, such as developing shared fueling facilities or providing access to existing private facilities.

MARKET ACCESS: The broad range of membership in the CDCC provides mutually beneficial business opportunities to members.

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BY AND AMONG

The members of the Capital District Clean Communities Coalition and the U.S. Department of Energy.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to set forth the agreements, respective responsibilities, and procedures necessary to carry out the objectives of the DOE Clean Cities program which accelerates the introduction and expands the use of alternative fuels and fuel blends and alternative fuel vehicles, accelerates the sales of hybrid vehicles and plug-in electric vehicles, promotes informed consumer choice on fuel economy, and encourages the use of idle reduction technologies for heavy-duty trucks and other vehicles.

The Capital District Clean Communities Coalition will operate as a regional, voluntary collaboration of public and private stakeholders in carrying out its mission.

CAPITAL DISTRICT CLEAN COMMUNITIES MISSION STATEMENT:

The Capital District Clean Communities coalition is a public/private partnership with the goal of reducing dependence on foreign petroleum resources, reducing vehicle emissions and enhancing the development of an AFV marketplace in the region. This mission statement is on target with the National Clean Cities focus:

Increase the number of Alternate Fueled Vehicles (AFV's) in the marketplace

Increase the use of fuel blends (diesel/biodiesel, ethanol/gasoline, and compressed natural gas (CNG)/hydrogen),

Accelerate sales of hybrid vehicles,

Promote informed consumer choice on fuel economy, and

Encourage the use of idle reduction technologies, including vehicle retrofits, for heavy-duty trucks and other vehicles.

To achieve this mission, the Coalition has developed a set of goals:

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GOAL 1. Recruit Additional Stakeholders & Improve Public Awareness of the Alternative Fuel Market.

GOAL 2. Increase the Number of Alternative Fuel Vehicles & Retrofit Vehicles in the Region.

GOAL 3. Increase the Number of Public Alternative Fuel Fueling Stations in the Region.

GOAL 4. Provide Information and Assistance on Grant Opportunities and Funding.

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

The parties to this MOU commit to work together toward the achievement of the Clean Cities mission and Coalition's goals.

Member Responsibilities

The organizations and individuals (Coalition members) who have signed below agree to work together as the Capital District Clean Communities Coalition to achieve the goals stated above.

Coordinator Responsibilities

Coordinate and document coalition activities and meetings, maintain database of stakeholders, community fleets, AFVs, and infrastructure.

Assist with overall implementation of the goals and development of new goals and objectives.

Participate as a member of the Steering Committee

Work directly with the DOE Regional Support Offices to report coalition activities, progress, concerns, issues, etc.

Provide assistance in public education activities.

Monitor and disseminate Federal/State/local legislative and incentive information to the coalition.

Assist with recruitment of stakeholders.

Represent Clean Cities and the coalition at other local functions and DOE events.

DOE Responsibilities

Designate a Federal advisor to provide program guidelines, information, general assistance, material for promotional and educational activities, and assistance in public education activities.

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Guide placement of Federal alternative fuel vehicles (AFVs) responding to Clean Cities recommendations and resource matching plans.

Notify Coalition of funding opportunities and direct the award of Federal funds and grants available.

Provide training for coordinators, fleet operators and other participants.

Authority

This MOU is authorized under the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, which allows DOE to enter into cooperative projects with other public and private agencies, and the Energy Policy Act of 1992, Section 505, Voluntary Supply Commitments, which requires DOE to obtain voluntary commitments to help achieve replacement fuel goals from fuel suppliers, fleets owners, and vehicle suppliers. Under this MOU, these groups, united with other local stakeholders, signify their commitment to contribute to the goals of the program.

Supplementary Interagency or Other Agreements

Because the DOE Clean Cities program supports Congressional and Executive directive and may involve other federal, state, and local governmental entities, Clean Cities program commitments may be subject to modification upon intervening Congressional or Executive guidance.

ADMINISTRATION

Background

The Energy Policy Act of 1992, supplemented by the 1993 Executive Order 12844: Federal Use of Alternative Fuel Vehicles, and the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, all establish guidelines for effecting a favorable energy and environmental situation in the transportation sector. The DOE Clean Cities program is an umbrella to structure and achieve Energy Policy Act program goals and to coordinate objectives of governments and other Federal directives, such as the Clean Air Act.

Public Information Coordination

Subject to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552), decisions on disclosures of information to the public regarding projects and programs referenced in this MOU shall be made by the DOE following consultation with the other parties' representatives.

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Amendment & Termination

This MOU may be amended by the mutual written agreement between DOE and the signatories. This MOU may be terminated by the mutual written agreement of DOE and signatories. Signatories may terminate individual participation upon a 30-day written notice to the DOE and the Capital District Clean Communities Coalition.

Effective Date

This MOU shall become effective upon the latter date of signature of the parties and shall remain in effect for a period of 5 years, upon which the MOU becomes eligible for renewal.

The United States Department of Energy (DOE) is committed to energy use in the American transportation sector that is more efficient, less dependent on foreign sources, less environmentally disruptive, sustainable, and safe.

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Signatories under this Memorandum of Understanding agree to undertake their best efforts to achieve the goals and objectives of the Capital District Clean Communities Coalition.

Date

Signature, Name/Title of authorized signatory

Name/Title of primary contact

Company/Entity

Mailing Address

Phone

Fax

Email Address

Website Address

Please provide a brief description about the agency/business/organization or personal interest in the Capital District Clean Communities Coalition:

NEXT STEPS



- ✓ Please fax your registration form to: (518)729-5764 or email to: iceponis@cdtcmpo.org
- ✓ Submit a company bio and logo via email to: iceponis@cdtcmpo.org
- ✓ Subscribe to the CDCC email list for coalition updates at: www.capitalcleancommunities.org

- ✓ Get connected with CDCC



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