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Blue Skyways Collaborative On-Road Subcommittee

Conference Call: June 24, 2008
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CDT

MINUTES

1. Updates on Clean Diesel Funding Opportunities:

a. **Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) funding.** Ruben provided updates on following Clean Diesel Funding Opportunities:

- i. The Blue Skyways Clean Diesel RFP closed. 30 applications had been received and 3 had been deemed ineligible for funding (for-profit entities). The amount of Federal funding requested was over \$27 million but only about \$5 million is available. Reviews and ranking of the project proposals will proceed with initial selections anticipated by August.

Update: This 5-to-1 funding dollar request to availability ratio for BSC area is consistent with what occurred on a national scale.

- ii. State Clean Diesel Program

All 50 states had requested funding allocations under this program. Grant applications from states were due June 23rd and are being processed. *Update: Since all 50 states did not provide/request for an available EPA funding match, the balance of the funds will be given to the Regions to supplement their Clean Diesel RFPs.*

- iii. Innovative Financing Program: EPA HQ received 4 applications requesting about \$10.5 million. Only \$ 3.4 million is available. OTAQ is reviewing/ranking these national scale project proposals.

- iv. Emerging Technologies Program:

For a technology to be eligible under this program, it needs to be on EPA's Emerging Technology List. No technologies are on the list yet, some are a close (i.e. SCR, hybrid, marine engine upgrade) OTAQ does not plan to post the Emerging Technologies RFP until at least 2 technologies are posted on the official EPA list. The RFP will be posted for at least 60 days. *Note: There may or may not be extra time provided for additional technologies that get on the list after the RFP is posted. This decision will be made at a later date.*

- b. **Blue Skyways/CenSARA Clean Diesel Campaign RFP**
CenSARA had posted \$200K RFP for the Blue Skyways area. Preliminary selections of awardees /projects include; Iowa DNR: B-100 project; Missouri DNR: school bus emissions inventory/database & idle reduction project; and City of Houston: Gas-to-Liquid fuel study on refuse trucks.
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2. **Technical Presentation: Clean Energy: Natural Gas Vehicle Industry Update**

Barbara Johnson, Ken Nicholson and Chad Lindholm of Clean Energy gave this presentation and answered questions from BSC OnRoad subcommittee members. Thank you Barbara, Ken and Chad! Clean Energy's contact information is below:

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3. **Additional Information:**

- a. **Next Blue Skyways meeting October 29-31st – San Antonio**
- b. **SmartWay Leaf Campaign**
- c. **Clean Energy Presentation: Natural Gas Vehicle Industry Update**