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Alternative Fuel Incentive Grant (AFIG) Webinar

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AFIG Grant Webinar: Agenda

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AFIG Grant Webinar: Agenda

- AFIG Grant Availability
 - General information
- Grant Guidance
 - New this round
- Application Process
 - Tips
- Questions

AFIG Grant Availability

- Grant round opened Saturday, March 1, 2014
- Estimated \$8 million available
- Applications are scored competitively
- Grants for alternative fuel vehicles and innovative technologies

AFIG Grant Availability

- Those eligible to apply include school districts, municipal authorities, political subdivisions, incorporated non-profits entities, corporations and limited liability companies or partnerships registered to do business in PA
- Grant requests can be no more than 50% of incremental purchase/retrofit cost per vehicle
- Maximum of \$25,000 per vehicle

AFIG Grant Availability

- An eligible applicant may aggregate vehicles (registered in PA) by other eligible entities (project partners) to form a proposed project
 - Purpose is to:
 - Create a project with a minimum of 5 vehicles
 - Create a local project that provides significant support for a common/primary fueling facility nearby

AFIG Grant Availability

- Eligible costs:
 - Incremental purchase costs for new alternative fuel vehicles
 - Retrofit costs to convert existing vehicles
- Eligible vehicles/fuels:
 - CNG or LNG vehicles weighing 26,000 lbs. or less
 - Propane (LPG), electric, hydrogen, biofuel or other alternative fuel vehicles of any size

➤ Guidance Document – New This Round

- Projects must be completed within grant period of performance (6/1/14 – 6/30/16)
- Grantees may not receive incremental costs for a vehicle –
 - Delivered or paid for prior to 6/1/14
 - If retrofit work conducted or paid for prior to 6/1/14
- ✓ NOTE: Deposits can be made on vehicles prior to 6/1/2014 if not a part of the incremental cost payment for the vehicle

➤ Guidance Document – New This Round

- Eligible applicants may submit or be a party to more than one application
 - either as the applicant or as a project partner
- Weight limit of 26,000 pounds or less for vehicle retrofits or new vehicle purchases that utilize natural gas
 - previous round had gross vehicle weight rating of 14,000 pounds or less

➤ Guidance Document – New This Round

- Sample aggregation agreement is included as Appendix A
 - Applicants proposing project that aggregates various eligible applicants may choose to use sample agreement or equivalent document
- A list is provided under Application Evaluation Section identifying items needed for a complete application
 - incomplete applications are ineligible for awards

▶ AFIG Innovative Technology Projects

- R&D, demonstration, pilot projects for alternative fuel technology
- Expected to directly result in commercialization
- Requires 50% minimum cost share
- All grant-funded work to be performed in PA
- Innovative fueling equipment will be considered

AFIG Grant Application Process

- Link to revised guidelines -
<http://www.elibrary.dep.state.pa.us/dsweb/Get/Document-99236/0120-BK-DEP4077%20%20AFIG%20%202013-14.pdf>
- Applications accepted online only, using DCNR's eGrant System – www.grants.dcnr.state.pa.us
- The deadline to submit completed applications -
4 p.m. Friday, May 30, 2014

Application Process - Tips

- Completely fill out the Vehicle Summary Tables
- Insure supporting documentation does not conflict with information in the Vehicle Summary Tables
- Get all commitments before applying
 - Fueling infrastructure
 - Project partners
 - Vehicle availability

Application Process - Tips

- Talk to your Regional Energy Manager about your project during the application phase
 - Contact list on AFIG and NGV webpages
- Don't wait until the last minute to start
 - Upload documents early
- For problems with the eGrants system
 - Call the helpdesk, 1-800-326-7734



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QUESTIONS?

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