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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: GRANT SOLICITATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2017-18 CLEAN TRANSPORTATION INCENTIVES ZERO- AND NEAR ZERO-EMISSION FREIGHT FACILITIES PROJECT

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) is pleased to announce its Grant Solicitation for the Zero- and Near Zero-Emission Freight Facilities Project. The opportunity was approved by the Board as part of the FY 2017-18 Funding Plan for Clean Transportation Incentives. Up to $150 million is available for this project, which will provide greenhouse gas (GHG), criteria pollutant, and toxic air contaminant emission reduction benefits to disadvantaged communities. At least $50 million will be reserved for projects that focus on warehouses.

Eligible projects will be those that deploy emission reducing technologies used in freight movement and freight facilities. Eligible vehicles and equipment types include on-road trucks, cargo handling equipment, marine vessels, locomotives, and others including supporting infrastructure. Freight facility improvements are also eligible and include advanced strategies to reduce emission from vehicles and equipment such as preferential queuing, renewable energy generation and storage and education and outreach efforts that highlight the environmental and economic benefits of transitioning to a zero-emission freight facility.

California-based public agencies, such as air districts, ports or local government entities or agencies as well as California-based non-profits organizations with expertise implementing large scale advanced technology projects and the requisite knowledge of advanced technologies used in freight movement may apply.

Applications are due to CARB by 5:00 p.m. (PST) on Thursday, July 19, 2018.

CARB will hold an applicant teleconference to answer questions regarding this Grant Solicitation on Tuesday, April 24, 2018. The Applicant Teleconference will provide an opportunity for potential applicants to ask clarifying questions regarding general application requirements.
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Please see detail for the Applicant Teleconference below:

Date: Tuesday, April 24, 2018  
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (PST)  
Place: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building  
Conference Room CR 2410  
1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Teleconference Information:  
Domestic Call-in Phone Number: 800-593-9924  
International Call-in Phone Number: 1-312-470-0065  
Passcode: 8206640

The questions and answers from the Applicant Teleconference will be posted on the CARB website at: https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/meetings/meetings.htm. CARB staff will not be responding to questions regarding this solicitation except at the Applicant Teleconference.

The Grant Solicitation and all associated documents may be found at https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm

More information about Clean Transportation Incentives and the Air Quality Improvement Plan, can be found at https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/aqip.htm.

Background

The Zero- and Near Zero-Emission Freight Facilities Project funded under the Clean Transportation Incentives goal is to accelerate the introduction and deployment of pre-commercial and commercialized technologies aimed at reducing the emission from freight facilities and associated vehicles and equipment toward sustainable zero-emission operations. Desired projects should be a showcase of advanced technologies and strategies to holistically reduce emissions from freight facilities, including warehouses, while demonstrating an economic advantage from using such technologies. A public investment in these technologies helps to achieve significant emission reductions in GHGs, criteria pollutants, and toxic air contaminants. This commitment from the State encourages industry to expeditiously invent, develop, test, and introduce cutting edge emission reducing pre-commercial technologies and robust deployment of commercialized zero and near-zero emission vehicles and equipment. Advanced technology projects also leverage public investment with private capital and ingenuity to reach beyond the current technological forefront and provides GHG, criteria pollutant, and toxic air contaminant emission reduction benefits to specific
disadvantaged communities. Eligible disadvantaged communities are identified by the California Communities Environmental Health Screening Tool (CalEnviroScreen 3.0) which assesses all census tracts in the state to identify areas disproportionately burdened by and vulnerable to multiple sources of pollution.

Contact

For questions regarding this funding opportunity or the Applicant Teleconference, please contact Mr. Earl Landberg, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 323-1384 or by email at earl.landberg@arb.ca.gov.

Special Accommodations

If you require a special accommodation or need this document in an alternate format (i.e. Braille, large print) or another language, please contact Ms. Stella Ling-Taylor, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 322-6369 or by email at stella.lingtaylor@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than ten business days before the scheduled meeting. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

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- Documentos disponibles en un formato alterno u otro idioma.
- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.
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Para solicitar estas comodidades especiales o necesidades de otro idioma, por favor llame a la oficina del Consejo al (916) 324-0342 o envíe un fax a (916) 327-8524 lo más pronto posible, pero no menos de 10 días de trabajo antes del día programado para la audiencia del Consejo. TTY/TDD/Personas que necesiten este servicio pueden marcar el 711 para el Servicio de Retransmisión de Mensajes de California.

Sincerely,

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