



Funding Update | November 30, 2009

California Energy Commission to Hold AB 118 Funding Workshop

The California Energy Commission's Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program, established by AB 118, is geared towards developing and deploying alternative and renewable fuels and advanced transportation technologies to help attain the state's climate change policies.

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a public workshop to discuss three grant solicitations to be funded by the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Program. The solicitations will focus on biomethane production, **medium- and heavy-duty advanced vehicle technology, and alternative and renewable fuel infrastructure**. A minimum of \$46 million will be available from the three solicitations.

The workshop will be held:

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2009

9 a.m.

California Energy Commission

Hearing Room A, First Floor

1516 Ninth Street

Sacramento, California 95814

The workshop will provide information on the grant solicitation process, including required proposal information, review and scoring criteria, project selection and award, terms and conditions, and timeline.

\$13.8 million is available for Alternative and Renewable Fuel Infrastructure. This includes funding for projects that develop infrastructure necessary to store, distribute and dispense the following transportation fuels:

- o Electricity
- o E-85
- o Biomass-based diesel
- o Natural gas

The intent of this solicitation is to upgrade public and private infrastructure investments, expand the network of public-access and fleet fueling stations and charging sites based on the population of existing and anticipated vehicles, and put in place infrastructure that will ultimately be needed to accommodate transportation fuels with very low greenhouse gas emissions. The Energy Commission reserves the right to increase this total amount to \$17 million without issuing a new solicitation.

\$9.5 million is available for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Advanced Vehicle Technology, including funding for projects that develop the commercialization of advanced medium- and heavy-duty vehicle technologies. The intent of this solicitation is to provide funding to advance the state-of-the-art in medium- and heavy-duty vehicles to significantly reduce the demand for petroleum fuels and greenhouse gas emissions in this critical market sector. The Energy Commission reserves the right to increase this total amount to \$12 million without issuing a new solicitation.

These workshops are a valuable opportunity for you to learn more about qualifying for AB 118 funding if you have projects having to do with alternative and renewable fuel vehicles or infrastructure. The meeting will be webcast for those who cannot attend in person.

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