California Transit Association

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California Air Resources Board Grant Solicitation for AB 118 Program

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) has announced its grant solicitation for the $20.4 million Hybrid Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP). The HVIP was approved by the Board as part of the AB 118 Air Quality Improvement Program (AQIP) Funding Plan for Fiscal Year 2009-10.

The aim of the HVIP is to help accelerate the deployment of approximately 800 new hybrid medium- and heavy-duty vehicles in California by providing vouchers for the purchase of eligible new hybrid trucks and buses.

Individuals, federal, state, or local government entities or agencies, and organizations with California heavy-duty vehicle, vehicle incentive project, or air quality expertise may apply via this solicitation to become the HVIP grantee.

Applications are due to ARB by September 30, 2009. Click here to see the grant solicitation and all associated documents.

ARB will hold an Applicant Workshop to answer questions regarding this grant solicitation on September 16, 2009. The Applicant Workshop will provide an opportunity for potential applicants to ask clarifying questions regarding general application requirements. Additional information regarding the HVIP and the Applicant Workshop may be found in the HVIP grant solicitation and on ARB's webpage or by contacting Mr. Joe Calavita at jcalavit@arb.ca.gov.

CA Energy Commission ARRA Cost Share Program - Removal of Funding Opportunity

The California Energy Commission (CEC) has announced the removal of a funding opportunity as part of its AB 118 cost-share program with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

In an earlier Funding Update, we announced that transit agencies applying for ARRA funds may be eligible for "Round 2" of funding through a cost-share opportunity

with the CEC and the US Department of Energy's Clean Cities Program. Unfortunately, this second round of funding will no longer be available by the Department of Energy and therefore the cost-share opportunity through the CEC is being removed.

Please contact Legislative and Regulatory Assistant Sabrina Means at sabrina@caltransit.org or call 916-446-4656 if you have any questions.