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- 1 Cascade Sierra Solutions^{CSS} is a non-profit organization with a mission to save fuel and reduce emissions from heavy-duty diesel trucks.
- 1 CSS supports the proposed rules
- 1 However there are many challenges the industry will face in achieving compliance.
- 1 even though many of the improvements have significant fuel savings the reality is that many companies do not have the credit available to qualify. Even large companies have a hard time borrowing money as of late. Financial resources are scarce
- 1 CSS provides low-cost financing with extended terms through our revolving loan fund - to date we have financed over 1600 upgrades & replacements.

CSS helps truckers with grant applications and equipment selection through our outreach center here in Sacramento 49^{er} Truck Stop.

More work is needed to assure that incentives are distributed to various trucking vocations to achieve compliance. Not all trucks are the same and for some vocations the grant is not enough.

The industry needs extended terms and easy access to financing to help them during these dire economic times.

CSS will be working diligently to facilitate the upgrade of the legacy fleet in a cost-effective manner. We look forward to raising the bottom line for the industry while cleaning the air and reducing GHG emissions.