

Clean Vehicle Rebate Project Applicant Workshop

On July 18, 2012, the California Air Resources Board (ARB) held a Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP) Applicant Workshop to answer questions regarding the Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-13 CVRP Grant Proposal Solicitation (solicitation). This document provides ARB responses to stakeholder questions at the workshop; no e-mail questions were received.

Q: How should in-kind services be described under the Proposed Budget versus Applicant Resources to Implement the Project” in order to avoid redundancy?

A: In the “Proposed Budget” (Appendix A, Attachment 2), in-kind services should be defined quantitatively, including but not limited to the number of labor hours by staff resource, indirect or direct cost contribution. The description of in-kind services in “Applicant Resources to Implement the Project” (Appendix A, Attachment 4), should be a qualitative narrative on how in-kind services positions the applicant to effectively and efficiently implement CVRP while minimizing costs.

Q: Can an organization use funding from U.S. Department of Energy or California Energy Commission grants for regional electric vehicle readiness plans as in-kind services or match funding?

A: No. Match funding and in-kind services does not include public or private resources committed as part of another project outside of CVRP (even those of similar scope or vehicle technologies). However, the applicant is encouraged to describe how these resource commitments enhance its project effectiveness and budget efficiency in the Project Implementation Plan (see Appendix A, Attachment 3).

Q: Should the Project Implementation Plan reflect the dates in the CVRP Implementation Manual?

A: Yes, to the extent dates are defined. The CVRP Implementation Manual for Fiscal Year 2012-13 is a draft document that will be finalized as part of the new fiscal year project re-launch. Incorporating key tasks and timelines from the Implementation Manual into the Project Implementation Plan indicates the applicant’s understanding of the project requirements.