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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: GRANT SOLICITATION FOR AN ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DIESEL FILTER  
REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

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The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is pleased to announce its grant solicitation for a Grantee to implement the Diesel Filter Replacement Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19. The current funding available for the program is up to \$3 million and is intended to support 150-500 diesel filter substrate or system replacements.

This solicitation is open to, federal, State, or local government entities or agencies, and California nonprofit organizations,<sup>1</sup> with expertise in implementing and administering grant programs, diesel particulate filters, and with general knowledge of CARB's diesel vehicle regulations and programs. Applications submitted in person or via a delivery service provider (U.S. Postal Service, UPS, FedEx, etc.) must be delivered to CARB no later than **5:00 p.m. (PDT), Friday, March 15, 2019**. The grant solicitation and all associated documents can be found on CARB's webpage at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm>.

CARB will hold a Grant Applicant Teleconference, at which time staff will be available to answer questions potential applicants may have regarding eligibility, application completion, and other requirements. Please see details below:

**Grant Applicant Teleconference:**

Date: Thursday, February 28, 2019  
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (PDT)  
Call-In Number: 888-748-4029  
Passcode: 48422  
Place: California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

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<sup>1</sup> The non-profit organization must have at least one office located in California, have tax-exempt status with the Internal Revenue Service under Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (only 501 [c] [3] organizations are allowed) and also have tax exempt status under California state law.

The questions and answers from the Grant Applicant Teleconferences and any questions received via email will be posted on the CARB webpage at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm>. CARB may collect questions via email, however, staff will only respond to questions regarding this solicitation during the Grant Applicant Teleconference. In addition, CARB will not respond to questions after the Applicant Teleconference has taken place. Participants are encouraged to call-in. For in-person attendance, please RSVP to confirm space due to seating limitations.

### **Background**

In 2012, Cleaire Advanced Emission Controls, Incorporated (Cleaire) voluntarily recalled its LongMile verified diesel emission control system (VDECS or PM filter). During the recall, Cleaire replaced the LongMile with either a certified silicon carbide core, a Cleaire Muffler Module, or removed the entire system. However, several months later Cleaire ceased operation and their assets were acquired by ESW CleanTech, a manufacturer of verified diesel emissions control strategies. ESW CleanTech has provided product support of the Cleaire product line since the closure.

In 2015 through 2017, the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District and ESW CleanTech entered into a Grant Agreement to provide replacement filter substrates through the Proposition 1B Goods Movement Emission Reduction Program (Proposition 1B). These replacements ensured reductions of particulate matter consistent with the original system operations prior to the recall. However, some fleets could not qualify for Proposition 1B funding or could not meet required temperature or engine family criteria.

The Diesel Filter Replacement Program is targeted at the remaining vehicles. CARB staff will work closely with the Grantee, ESW Cleantech, and stakeholders to determine final eligibility criteria and identify potential vehicle candidate for replacement. Eligibility criteria may include but is not limited to age of the vehicle, whether the vehicle is subject to any upcoming replacement requirements, whether the vehicles qualifies for the substrate replacement or full PM filter replacement, and location and type of operations.

### **Contact**

If you have any questions regarding the Diesel Filter Replacement Program or the Grant Applicant Teleconference, please contact Mr. Brandon Rose, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 327-8495 or by email at [Brandon.Rose@arb.ca.gov](mailto:Brandon.Rose@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](mailto: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.

Consecuente con la sección 7296.2 del Código de Gobierno de California, una acomodación especial o necesidades lingüísticas pueden ser suministradas para cualquiera de los siguientes:

- Un intérprete que esté disponible en la audiencia.
- Documentos disponibles en un formato alterno u otro idioma.
- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.

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,

Jack Kitowski, Chief  
Mobile Source Control Division

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