



# Federal Fleet Files

Highlighting the latest news and developments impacting Federal fleets.

## NREL & Clean Cities Announce Regional EPAct Workshops

The U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) State and Alternative Fuel Provider Fleets program is sponsoring regional workshops across the United States. These workshops, which the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) is implementing, will address issues related to the deployment of alternative fuels and alternative-fuel vehicles in the selected regions, including specific coverage of the Energy Policy Act (EPAct) of 1992 as well as EPAct 2005 requirements and alternative fuel infrastructure development goals as they apply to Federal fleets.

The workshops intend to facilitate collaboration between representative Clean Cities officials and stakeholders; regulated Federal, state, and alternative-fuel provider fleets; and fuel marketers and distributors. Locations were selected where these audiences are in close proximity to each other and where there is a certainty of needed aggregate demand to achieve the broader goals of generating sufficient demand to support fuel providers' decisions to add infrastructure and ensuring that existing and new infrastructure are utilized as fully as possible.

Upcoming workshop dates, locations, and Clean Cities coalition partners include:

- **June 16 in Williamsburg, VA:** Chelsea Jenkins, Hampton Roads Clean Cities
- **August 5 in Denver, CO:** Natalia Swalnick, Denver Metro Clean Cities
- **August 18 in Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX:** Mindy Mize, Dallas/Fort Worth Clean Cities Coalition
- **September 17 in Miami, FL:** Larry Allen, Florida Gold Coast Clean Cities Coalition



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FEMP needs contact information for Federal fleet managers in these locations. Please send contact information and any questions to Ryan Daley at [ryan.daley@nrel.gov](mailto:ryan.daley@nrel.gov).

## Low Speed Vehicles Available through GSA

General Services Administration (GSA) contracts covering low-speed vehicles and multipurpose neighborhood electric vehicles engineered for both street and turf can be found under GSA Schedule 23V, special item number 023 LSV. Government agencies can place orders directly with vendors or through GSAAAdvantage!

## Propel Provides E85 in California

Propel Fuels launched its first set of California fueling stations selling both E85 and biodiesel. Propel currently operates five Sacramento-area stations with two additional stations set to open in late summer. These sites are the first in a planned California-wide network of similar fueling stations. The company aims to deploy hundreds of stations across California within the next five years. Visit <http://www.propelfuels.com> for a list of Propel's current E85 and biodiesel stations.

## EISA Section 246 Call for Data

Section 246 of the Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) of 2007 requires Federal agencies to install at least one renewable fuel pump at Federal fleet fueling centers under their jurisdiction (DOD facilities are exempt if annual fuel turnover is less than 100,000 gallons). Federal agencies should anticipate a call for data in the near future similar to last year's request. The request will ask for the location and number of Federal fleet fueling centers with at least one renewable fuel pump on site, with no renewable fuel pumps on site, and the number of planned renewable fuel pump installations.

### Reminder: FedFleet 2009

FedFleet 2009 is fast approaching. This year's conference will be held July 28–30 in Chicago, IL.

Additional information is online at: <http://www.fedfleet.org/>

### Call for INTERFUELS Speakers

INTERFUELS is now accepting speaker submissions. If you know someone who might make a great speaker, contact Marc McConahy at [marc.mcconahy@gmail.com](mailto:marc.mcconahy@gmail.com).

Non-Federal speakers must have a Federal sponsor.



Propel Fuels opened this E85 fueling station at 6700 Five Star Boulevard in Rocklin, CA. Source: Propel Fuel.





## I-65: The Nation's First Biofuels Corridor

Interstate 65 (I-65), extending 886 miles between Indiana and Alabama, is the nation's first "biofuels corridor." In 2005, there were no biofuel stations along I-65. Today a driver is no more than 100 miles from a participating E85 retailer at any point on the corridor. The I-65 Biofuels Corridor now has 15 biofuels fueling sites in Alabama, 19 in Indiana, three in Tennessee, and three in Kentucky.

EPA Act Section 701 waiver data shows that there were 1,650 waived vehicles within 10 miles of I-65 in the beginning of fiscal year 2009. Agencies in this region should visit the Fueling Station Locator at <http://www.afdc.energy.gov/afdc/locator/stations/> for specific fueling station locations along I-65.

## No Access to Alternative Fuels?

In 2008, Federal agencies applied for and received EPA Act 2005 Section 701 waivers for more than 65,000 alternative-fuel vehicles. Filling these vehicles with alternative fuel helps agencies meet multiple statutory requirements. Any of the following strategies may prove effective for fleet managers without reasonable access to alternative fuel:

- Develop on-site alternative fuel infrastructure by working with local fuel providers.
- Aggregate local alternative fuel demand with nearby Federal, state, and local governments. Agencies should coordinate these efforts with local Clean Cities coalitions.
- Relocate alternative-fuel vehicles where alternative fuel is more readily available.
- Acquire hybrid-electric vehicles and other highly fuel-efficient vehicles where alternative fuel is not readily available.

## Best of the Best

FEMP would like to highlight agency success stories and innovative strategies within future editions of this newsletter. Contact Ryan Daley at [ryan.daley@nrel.gov](mailto:ryan.daley@nrel.gov) to nominate fleets demonstrating successful and innovative management strategies.

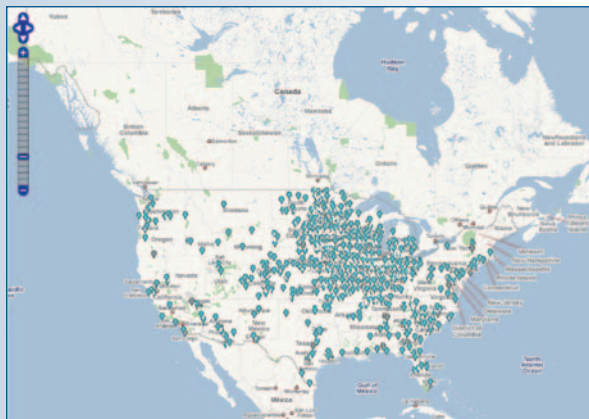
## Offer to Replace Dispensing Equipment

NREL is offering to replace agency onsite E10 and E0 dispensing equipment...FOR FREE! Conditions apply, so please contact Wendy Clark at [wendy.clark@nrel.gov](mailto:wendy.clark@nrel.gov).

## Federal Fleet Resources

Federal fleet managers can turn to the Web for alternative-fuel resources. Available resources include:

- **New Alternative Fuel Locator:** <http://rpm.nrel.gov/transatlas/launch>
- Alternative Fuel and Vehicle Information: <http://www.afdc.energy.gov/afdc/>
- Heavy Duty Vehicle Comparisons: <http://www.afdc.energy.gov/afdc/vehicles/heavy>
- Frequently Asked Questions about Federal Fleets: [http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/pdfs/federal\\_fleet\\_fa\\_q.pdf](http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/pdfs/federal_fleet_fa_q.pdf)
- History of Actions and Mandates Relative to Federal Fleets, Alternative Fuel Vehicles, and Alternative Fuel Use: [http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/pdfs/fs\\_federal\\_fleets.pdf](http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/pdfs/fs_federal_fleets.pdf)
- Annual Events in Federal Fleet Management: [http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/pdfs/fleet\\_annual\\_schedule.pdf](http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/pdfs/fleet_annual_schedule.pdf)



## Industry Day II Request for Input

The second-annual Industry Day will be held this fall in Washington, D.C. The one-day conference brings Federal fleet managers and alternative-fuel providers together in hopes of developing alternative fuel infrastructure and increasing alternative fuel consumption.

In preparation for this conference, DOE is requesting input from Federal fleet managers and other interested parties surrounding conference session topics. What would you like to learn at Industry Day II? Send ideas and comments to Sebastian Silvani at [sebastian.silvani@ee.doe.gov](mailto:sebastian.silvani@ee.doe.gov).

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