



## INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS

# Application for Clean Diesel Rebate

*Southeast Construction Associations Coalition for Clean Diesel*  
Florida Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Contractors Association

Please read and follow these instructions before completing the application to give your request the best chance to be selected.

Construction equipment is being targeted as a major contributor of air pollution, and state and national environmental agencies are working to reduce this problem.

If your company owns and operates older (Tier 0-2) off-road diesel-engine construction equipment, you could be eligible to receive funding under a new rebate program offered by the Florida Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Contractors Association through a coalition of construction-related associations. The goal of the project is to reduce particulate matter (PM) and nitrogen oxide (NO<sub>x</sub>) pollution from diesel equipment operating in designated areas of Florida, Alabama and Georgia.

More than 200 pieces of equipment in Florida, Alabama and Georgia, including backhoes, wheel loaders, dozers, excavators, compactors, material handlers, skid steers, concrete pumps and various diesel generators/power units, are expected to be retrofitted, repowered or replaced under this program, which received funding through a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Region IV) grant.

This package contains all the information you need to understand the requirements and priorities of the program and apply for rebates. (Also available online at [www.fracca.org](http://www.fracca.org).) Included here are an application overview, application for rebate funds, and a set of Frequently Asked Questions.

Companies from small to large—including HVAC, plumbing, electrical, general contracting and others—can benefit. This is the first of two rounds of rebate awards planned during the two-year project.

**Applications will be accepted beginning August 16, 2010, and ending October 15. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BEFORE AUGUST 16 OR AFTER OCTOBER 15 WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

A set of selection criteria, described here, has been established to guide rebate funding decisions. Overall, the aim is re-powering or replacing older, high-emitting diesel engines with newer engines, models and technology that are certified by the EPA to meet more stringent emission standards.

### **Types of Work to be Funded**

Equipment work eligible for funding under the Southeast Construction Associations Coalition for Clean Diesel program include retrofit, replacement or repower of older (Tier 0-2) off-road diesel-engine equipment currently being operated in Florida, Alabama and

Georgia, particularly in congested areas that do not currently meet healthy clean-air standards.

<u>Work Type</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Limitations*</u>	<u>Maximum Funding</u>
replacement	replacing an old piece of equipment with a new/newer piece of equipment	old equipment must be permanently destroyed	25% of cost
repower	removing the engine from a piece of equipment and replacing it with a new, rebuilt or remanufactured engine	old engine must be destroyed	75% of cost
retrofit/DOCs	installing DOC kit on existing equipment	must use EPA-verified technology	100% of cost

\* All work must use EPA-verified technology

### Eligibility

- Applicants must be current members in good standing of one of the member associations of the Southeast Construction Associations Coalition for Clean Diesel (see list below)
- Applicants must have owned the equipment they seek to improve for at least 12 months prior to application
- Equipment for which funding is being sought must have a remaining useful life of at least five years
- Equipment must be used on work sites in Florida, Alabama or Georgia.
- All work completed with rebate funds must use EPA-verified technologies
- Applicants must affirm that their company has available the funds necessary to complete its share of the work and that those funds are thus committed
- Rebate recipients must agree to participate in both workshop and on-site training, and to formulate and institute a companywide reduced-idling policy
- Equipment replaced through this program must be destroyed, not resold or reused

If funds are awarded, applicants will be required to obtain a minimum of two—preferably three—quotes for completing the work to be done; single-source estimates **must** include a written justification for obtaining only one quote.

The coalition represents members of—

Florida Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Contractors Association  
 Florida Association Plumbing Heating and Cooling Contractors  
 Big Bend Contractors Association  
 Associated General Contractors of Greater Florida  
 Tampa Bay Builders Association  
 Alabama Plumbing Heating Cooling Contractors Association

Plumbing and Mechanical Association of Georgia  
 Manasota Air Conditioning Contractors Association  
 Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Contractors Association of Tampa Bay  
 Florida Green Building Coalition  
 Pinellas County Environmental Management’s Air Quality Division  
 Florida Dept of Environmental Protection

## Selection Criteria

An awards selection committee composed of industry and air quality professionals representing the entire region will rank applications and determine which receive rebate funding.

- Selections for funding will be based on projected pollution reductions as calculated and ranked according to information contained in the application; the most cost-effective projects (pollution reduced per grant dollar spent) will rank the highest
- Open-cab equipment will receive high priority as they expose their operators to the highest levels of emissions
- If multiple applications will provide equal benefits (as noted above), preference will be given to the earliest-received application
- Efforts will be made to distribute funds throughout the region and to the greatest number of companies possible

**Due to limited funds, not all eligible applications will receive rebate awards.** The funding review and selection committee reserves the right to reject all applications and make no rebate awards under this announcement or make fewer awards than anticipated. **Decisions of the selection committee are final.**

## Benefits to Award Recipients

These rebates offer the opportunity for your company to reduce maintenance costs and extend the life of your equipment while helping both your operators and your entire community breathe easier.

- Installation of diesel oxidation catalysts (DOCs) will be funded at 100%
- Repowers will be funded up to 75%
- Replacements will be funded up to 25%

Your company will benefit directly from the various upgrades in several ways:

- reduced equipment maintenance costs, reduced downtime
- newer equipment
- ability to certify clean construction equipment in proposals and bids
- health benefits to equipment operators mean fewer sick days, lower insurance costs

In addition, training—both workshops and on-site operator training—will be provided to rebate recipients to guide the company in efficient and effective use of clean-air equipment and operations.

## Applications

To apply for a rebate under the program, complete the enclosed form for your request and mail, fax or email to:

Clean Diesel Rebate Program  
Southeast Construction Associations Coalition c/o FRACCA  
466 94th Avenue N                      St Petersburg FL 33702  
fax 727/578-9982                      email [dieselrebate@fracca.org](mailto:dieselrebate@fracca.org)

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**Application period August 16 - October 15, 2010**

Use this form to apply for a rebate to retrofit, repower or replace a piece of non-road construction equipment. The equipment must be older (Tier 0-2) diesel-powered construction equipment, in working order, and have at least five years of remaining useful life. PLEASE SEE ENCLOSED INSTRUCTIONS FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

## APPLICANT

organization name \_\_\_\_\_  
address \_\_\_\_\_  
city \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ zip \_\_\_\_\_  
phone \_\_\_\_\_ fax \_\_\_\_\_  
main contact \_\_\_\_\_ title \_\_\_\_\_  
email \_\_\_\_\_ direct phone \_\_\_\_\_  
where/how did you hear about this program? \_\_\_\_\_

## DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT'S BUSINESS

type of business \_\_\_\_\_  
# employees \_\_\_\_\_ size of off-road fleet # \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants must be current members in good standing of one of the member associations of the Southeast Construction Associations Coalition for Clean Diesel. Of which association are you a member? \_\_\_\_\_

work being requested (circle)      retrofit/DOC      repower      replace

## DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT

item #1 \_\_\_\_\_  
how used \_\_\_\_\_  
est annual hours of operation \_\_\_\_\_ est annual fuel usage \_\_\_\_\_  
make \_\_\_\_\_ model \_\_\_\_\_ model year \_\_\_\_\_  
est remaining service life (years) \_\_\_\_\_ open cab? (circle) Y N      HP \_\_\_\_\_  
where used (circle)      Florida      Alabama      Georgia  
all that apply)  
county(ies) where primarily used \_\_\_\_\_  
% used on public vs private projects      % public      % private

### IF REPLACEMENT, identify equipment to be purchased below

item \_\_\_\_\_  
make \_\_\_\_\_ model \_\_\_\_\_ model year \_\_\_\_\_  
HP \_\_\_\_\_ fuel type \_\_\_\_\_  
est annual hours of operation \_\_\_\_\_ est annual fuel usage \_\_\_\_\_

Will new equipment be used in the same places, projects and manner as previous equipment? Y N  
if no, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

item #2 \_\_\_\_\_  
 how used \_\_\_\_\_  
 est annual hours of operation \_\_\_\_\_ est annual fuel usage \_\_\_\_\_  
 make \_\_\_\_\_ model \_\_\_\_\_ model year \_\_\_\_\_  
 est remaining service life (years) \_\_\_\_\_ open cab? (circle) Y N HP \_\_\_\_\_  
 where used (circle) Florida Alabama Georgia  
 % used on public vs private projects \_\_\_\_\_ % public \_\_\_\_\_ % private

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item \_\_\_\_\_  
 make \_\_\_\_\_ model \_\_\_\_\_ model year \_\_\_\_\_  
 HP \_\_\_\_\_ fuel type \_\_\_\_\_  
 est annual hours of operation \_\_\_\_\_ est annual fuel usage \_\_\_\_\_  
 Will new equipment be used in the same places, projects and manner as previous equipment? Y N  
 if no, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**for more than two pieces of equipment, make additional copies of form**

**Rebate Amount Requested**

Enter est cost information about your requested rebate(s), listing each in the appropriate column.

type of work	retrofit/DOC	repower	replace
item #1: est cost of work	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
item #2: est cost of work	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
est combined cost of work	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
x % rebate allowed	100%	75%	25%
total rebate amount requested	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

NOTE: If your work is selected for funding, additional information will be requested in order to develop a contract to be executed between FRACCA and your company. Vendor quotes and itemized invoices will be required.

**Authorized Signature**

*I hereby affirm that ...*

- ... my company has the required funds available and committed to complete our share of the work*
- ... my company will attend a diesel reduction workshop and participate in on-site operator training*
- ... my company will institute an idle reduction policy*

*All statements made in this application are accurate, complete and true.*

signature \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_  
 printed name \_\_\_\_\_ title \_\_\_\_\_

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