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Central Oklahoma Clean Cities Recent Accomplishments & Future Goals

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Coalition Status and Sustainability

- Current Status
 - Full-time coordinator employed by the regional Council of Governments. Salary and program funding come from a variety of sources including state funding, federal funding, and Clean Cities programmatic support.
- Membership Structure / Strategies
 - Long-time core members, primarily industry partners and fleet managers, help bring in new members. New members are also recruited through Web inquiries and fleet and fueling partner outreach. Membership is not static. Dues are voluntary and are structured on business size and/or fleet size.
- Steps to Become Self-Sustaining
 - We look for opportunities to recruit new dues-paying members and provide valuable technical assistance to our members as well as business leads. We use grant awards when available as well as tax incentives to help develop projects. We support legislative activity at the state and federal level to provide alternative fuel project funding and incentives.



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Significant/Noteworthy Vehicle Projects

- Describe successful vehicle projects
 - Added 6 CNG off-airport shuttles
 - Added 8 CNG small-business work vans



Significant/Noteworthy Fueling Infrastructure Projects

- Describe successful fueling infrastructure projects
 - Spring 2008 opening of new Transportation Operations Center at the University of Oklahoma including new CNG refueling and B20/E85 refueling for campus vehicles. Fueling center will have four (4) two-hose, fast-fill and eight (8) slow-fill CNG transit dispensers.
 - Worked with Oklahoma Petroleum Marketers to get E100 at the rack in Oklahoma City. We are currently working with three businesses with plans to add public-access E85 in the Oklahoma City and Norman markets.



Significant/Noteworthy Coalition Outreach Activities

- Describe successful coalition outreach activities
 - Planned session topic, secured speakers, and moderated a panel discussion, Driving Market Demand, for the 2007 Oklahoma Biofuels Conference. Set up a Clean Cities booth for the conference with ethanol and biodiesel information, promotional handouts, equipment and handling handbooks, and industry contact information. Planned and coordinated vehicle display for the conference. *Many thanks to EPIC, General Motors Corp., Oklahoma Petroleum Marketers Assn., and Biotown USA/Indiana Officer of Energy and Defense Development (and Central Indiana Clean Cities Coordinator Kellie Walsh!) for their invaluable contributions and assistance.*



Significant/Noteworthy Expanded Portfolio Activities

- Describe successful expanded portfolio activities (i.e. idle reduction, hybrids, blends, fuel economy)
 - Received a \$50,000 Clean Cities grant to conduct a school bus idle reduction, awareness and education project.
 - Introduced stakeholders to two truck stop electrification projects facilitated through our Clean Cities office and the city of Oklahoma City. Stakeholders toured facility and talked with regional management about air quality benefits of idle reduction.



Lessons Learned

- Describe new or creative ideas that furthered the goals of the coalition (i.e. funding, membership, outreach, project partnerships, regional partnerships, etc.) which may be duplicated by other coalitions.
 - Set up an Oklahoma Government Fleet Users Group, modeled after the NREL-sponsored Natural Gas TUG forum that will introduce more fleets to successful alternative fuels operations. Provided a significant portion of recruitment contacts for this new group.
- Describe activities that didn't turn out as anticipated and what you learned from the experience.



Goals for 2008 & Beyond

- Describe new or creative ideas to further the goals of the coalition (i.e. funding, membership, outreach, project partnerships, regional partnerships, etc.) which may be duplicated by other coalitions.
 - We are working to support state agency initiatives to secure state appropriations for alternative fuel and idle reduction projects that can be used as leverage funds for additional federal projects.
 - We are working with stakeholders and industry partners to secure continued tax credits for alternative fuel vehicles, fuel production, and fueling infrastructure through legislative outreach efforts and through legislative education efforts.

Describe any anticipated new partnerships

- We look forward to working with partners and opportunities available through EPA's Blue Skyways initiative.