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Metropolitan Washington Alternative Fuels Clean Cities Partnership Recent Accomplishments & Future Goals

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Coalition Status and Sustainability

- Current Status
 - George Nichols, Coordinator (part-time)
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- Membership Structure/Strategies
 - Membership consists of 21 local government jurisdictions belonging to MWCOG
 - Diversified strategy focused on:
 - 1- core local, municipal fleets
 - refuse haulers, plow trucks
 - 2- high usage fleets, transit component
- Steps to Become Self-Sustaining
 - Self-sustaining since 1993, with intermittent financial support through DOE SEP funds
 - Membership fee structure in-place
 - FY2010 budget cut from \$60k to \$10k



Significant/Noteworthy Projects & Activities

- ARRA (stimulus) projects
 - Bundled Clean Cities project
 - Electrification project
- Refueling Infrastructure
 - E-85 Fueling Stations
 - 2 in DC
 - 2 in Bethesda and Gaithersburg, MD
- Regional Green Fleet BMPs and Policy
 - Looking at 4 polices models: Puget Sound, Ohio, San Jose, City of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada



Lessons Learned

- Barriers and Lessons Learned
 - Champions in the alternative fuels industry come and go
 - Lesson Learned – Always find a champion for the cause
 - Competitive programs driving similar messages
 - Lesson Learned – use the “buddy system”



Goals for 2009 & Beyond

- Actively participant in the climate change discussion
- Develop a strategy to balance both emission reductions and fuel displacement
 - Look at opportunities to include diesel retrofit projects
- Continue to pursue innovative financing mechanisms/strategies (i.e. revolving fund accounts to provide incremental cost for AFVs, performance contracting)
- Aggressively seek demonstration opportunities with OEMs