

DEF SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

November 16, 2011

Donna Davis, State Clean Diesel Grant Program Manager  
Office of Environmental Assistance  
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality  
P.O. Box 30457  
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Ms. Davis:

This letter is to express the full support and permission of DEF School District for a partnership project with ABC School District in their grant application for the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's (MDEQ) Michigan Clean Diesel Grant Program's 2011-2012 Request for Projects Competition. As a neighboring school district that is environmentally proactive in Ingham county, we are committed to doing what we can to improve the air quality in our community. We sincerely appreciate the opportunity that ABC School District has presented to us to reduce the levels of diesel engine pollution from our district's school buses and limit the exposure of our children and community to these pollution sources.

We are aware of and fully commit to contribute the mandatory cost share required to purchase the idle reduction heaters for our school district's three buses. Furthermore, we commit to providing an in-kind labor match (in the form of our mechanic's installation expertise) to fulfill the installation need for our diesel particulate filters that our school buses will receive. We understand that our full cost share to be a total of approximately \$2,760.

We recognize that the installation and use of the various diesel emissions reduction technology entails a commitment by our school district to operate the vehicles for an additional period of five years beyond the project's end date. Should we be unable to maintain or operate a vehicle that has received this new technology, DEF School District commits to removing the technology from an older vehicle and placing the technology on another vehicle in our fleet until the technology's useful life has been exhausted.

We look forward to working with the MDEQ and ABC School District on this very worthy project and we hope that the MDEQ sees fit to fully fund this project.

Sincerely,

*Dean Smith*

Dean Smith, Superintendent  
DEF School District, City of DEF

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