Clean Fuels Ohio's Fast Track to AFV Adoption in Ohio

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Overview

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Timeline

Start: February 1, 2013

•Finish: December 31, 2014

•75% Complete

Budget

- •Total Project \$608,918
- •DOE Share \$499,918
- •Partner Contribution \$109,000

Barriers

- Availability of alternative fuels and electric charging station infrastructure
- Consumer reluctance to purchase new technologies
- Lack of technical experience with new fuels and vehicle technologies

Partners

- Calstart
- Communica
- Earth Day Coalition
- Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)

Relevance

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Objectives:

- AFV Policy Education Initiative Development: Focus significant effort targeted at decision-makers within specific state government agencies along with local government officials.
- Ohio Green Fleets Program (OGF) Development: Expand the current level of OGF activities including fleet outreach, education, networking, project development, and recognition.
- Ohio NGV and Propane Autogas Partnerships Development: Educate and inform fleets, government regulators, and new industry players.
- Ohio PEV Market Development Initiative: educate consumers about PEVs by encouraging them to seek information, which will help lead to sampling (test-driving) and supporting the Ohio PEV initiative.

Project Supports Vehicle Technology Program Goals:

- By 2020, to achieve a petroleum reduction of over 2.5 billion gallons per year through voluntary adoption of alternative fuel vehicles and infrastructure
- To ease market introduction of alternative fuels and new electric drive vehicle technologies through voluntary efforts in partnership with local communities
- To provide technical and educational assistance to support local communities and partnerships that promote better understanding of the benefits of these new technologies

Milestones

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<u>AFV Policy Initiative</u>:

- Develop model language/processes for inclusion of AFV, PEV and infrastructure projects in Ohio to influence 5 infrastructure projects
- Establish an alternative fuel task force
- Conduct workshop with Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO)
- Work with MPOs to host workshops for local governments

Barrier Reduction Initiative:

- Education and outreach through alternative fuel events: 2 NGV Events (total) 2 Autogas Events (total) 2 OGF Events (total) 4 Biodiesel Events (total)"
- Identify and work with fleets to develop 5 "Green Fleet Action Plans."

"Go/No-Go" decision point:

 Applied for and received approval for the continuation of funding for Fast Track (1/31/14)

Safety and Training Initiative:

- Refine scope and requirements of AFV technical and safety training program by developing draft model training language
- Provide training materials to DOE for review and approval and develop gaseous fuels training program
- Provide training materials to DOE for review and approval and develop electric vehicle training program

Market Development/Outreach Initiative:

- Create 5 videos for Fleet Success Story profiles
- Develop outreach materials to be used for program outreach
- Develop media materials through 15 press releases
- Plan, develop and facilitate:
 - -1 Statewide NGV Event -1 Statewide Autogas Event
 - -1 Statewide EV Event -1 Statewide OGF Awards

Project Approach

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Project Objectives:

- Policy Initiative
 - Develop a Green Fleet Model
 - Study and assess Ohio AFV procurement specifications
 - Develop model language in in Ohio Transportation Improvement Plans (TIPs) for AFVs
 - Educate members of Ohio's MPOs through seminars
 - Work with stakeholders to develop procurement specifications for AFVs
 - Work with partners and stakeholders to study best practices for tax incentives for AFVs
 - Study and present models around U.S. for AFV and infrastructure financial incentives.
 - Develop an alternative fuel task force to identify barriers and analyze policies
 - Work with state government to institute a database tracking system CNG cylinders
 - Work with stakeholders to review AFV safety ordinances and develop best practices
 - Host workshops for local governments and public utilities
- Barrier Reduction Initiatives
 - Develop outreach initiatives through Ohio Green Fleets (OGF).
 - Develop regular meeting alliance of key natural gas vehicle industry
 - Further develop regional fleet gaseous fuel partnerships groups
 - Education and outreach through alternative fuel events
 - Increase hands on project development assistance to fleets through the Ohio Green Fleets program

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- Barrier Reduction Initiatives (cont.)
 - Identify individuals willing to serve as fleet mentors and partner mentors with fleets
 - Develop maintain online resource center for fleet mentor contacts
 - Complete 5 Green Fleet Action Plans
 - Identify fleets located in close proximity of alt. fuel stations and inform the fleets
 - Identify barriers existing for workplace charging in Ohio and organize a workshops
- Safety and Training Initiatives
 - Refine scope and requirements of AFV technical and safety training program
 - Develop training schedule and secure training locations
 - Gaseous Fuels Training
 - Electric Vehicles Training
- Market Development/Outreach Initiatives
 - Implementation of PEV Marketing Strategy
 - Cultivate existing CFO EV website as the central resource center
 - Develop and implement an earned media advertising and media outreach plan
 - Develop a statewide media strategy for identifying top media outlets and reporters
 - Develop social media content focusing on electric vehicles and Ohio Green Fleet Successes
 - Develop ongoing observation, measurement and re-engagement program
 - Identify fleets to be featured in the Ohio Green Fleets Success Storytelling Outreach

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- Market Development/Outreach Initiatives (cont.)
 - Develop and continually maintain fleet and technical mentor profiles on CFO website
 - Develop Video Content through 5 video Fleet Success Story profiles
 - Create posters of Success Story fleets for business and OGF events
 - Develop outreach materials, both print and electronic, to be used for outreach
 - Identify fleets and distribute outreach materials focusing on the Ohio Green Fleets Program
 - Identify enrolled Ohio Green Fleets that have qualified for Ohio Green Fleets Certification

Develop Media Materials through 15 press releases

Host fuel specific events:

Natural Gas Vehicle Event

Autogas Advantage Event

Ohio Green Fleets Awards

EV Event





Educational Seminar

Registration and Vendor Expo

Presented by Clean Fuels Ohio

Vendor Expo and Ride and Drive

Lunch and Sponsor Remarks

Natural Gas Vehicle Panel

See Panel Descriptions

Natural Gas Stations Panel

Funding, Incentives and Policy

See Panel Descriptions

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March 28, 2013 8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Opening Remarks

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Natural Gas Overview

- Policy Initiative: Educate Decision Makers on Best Practices and Opportunities for AFV Deployment
 - Developed Green Fleet Model: http://www.cleanfuelsohio.org/media/75523/Model-Green-Fleet-Policy.pdf
 - Hosted workshops for local governments and public utilities
 - Cleveland Municipal EV Workshop and Ride and Drive: (May 9)
 - Public Utilities Commission of Ohio EV workshop at OSUCAR: (June 17)
 - Cincinnati Municipal EV Workshop and Ride and Drive: (August 28)









- Barrier Reduction Initiatives
 - Completed 3/5 Green Fleet Action Plans
 - City of Cincinnati, OH
 - City of Green, OH
 - City of Tipp City, OH

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- Barrier Reduction Initiatives (cont.)
 - Identified fleets located in close proximity of alt. fuel stations and inform the fleets

Ohio CNG Stations Map - Ohio NGV Partnership

All open and planned stations. Green=open Yellow=under construction Purple= active planning Red=speculative Blue=LNG Teal Pin=private station

Unlisted - Open Collaboration - 13,494 views
Created on Mar 21, 2013 - By - Updated Mar 31

Quasar - Columbus, Ohio

Quasar 2506 Jackson Pk Columbus, OH 43223 216-986-9999
Access: Public - see hours Hours: 7am-5pm M-F, 7am-12pm Sat, a accept Quasar card key - contact station to apply Payments accepted: Discove...

City of Dublin - IGS Card, Public

 - 6351 Shier Rings Rd, Dublin, OH 43016 614-410-4757 614-659-5196 Access: Public - card key at all times Hours: 24 hours daily; c 614-659-5196 to purchase card key Payments accepted: Gas Carc from

CNG Auto Sales - Ward Card, Public

- 1751 Alum Creek Dr, Columbus, OH 43207 740-327-7255 740-404 2123 Access: Public - card key at all times Hours: 24 hours daily; contact station to arrange for card key Notes: Off I-70, south on Al

City of Columbus Fleet Management

4211 Groves Rd, Columbus, OH 43232 614-645-8281 614-288-79
 Access: Public - credit card at all times Hours: 24 hours daily
 Payments accepted: MasterCard, VISA Fill type: Fast-fill
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CNG Trans - Columbus, Ohio

-5800 Chantry Dr, Columbus, OH 43232? 2727 Brice Rd Columbus, OH 43232? 614-398-3401 Access: Public - credit card at all times Hours: 24 hours daily Payments accepted: MasterCard, VISA, Wrig

CNG Auto Sales - Ward Card, Public

- 600 W Church St, Newark, OH 43055 740-327-7255 740-404-212
Access: Public - card key at all times, Ward Card Hours: 24 hours
daily; contact station to arrange for card key Fill type: Fast-fill Comp.

Quasar - Zanesville. Ohio

- 6400 Maysville Pike Zanesville, OH 43701 Access: Public - see hours Hours: 7am-5pm M-F, 7am-12pm Sat; also accept Quasar ca



- Safety and Training Initiatives
 - Trainers include
 - Marathon Technical Services
 - AFV International
 - National Fire Protection Association
 - Refine scope and requirements of AFV technical and safety training program
 - Developed training schedule and secured training locations
 - Gaseous Fuels Training
 - Hosted Alt. Fuel Station Training: June 25 & 26 (2013)
 - Scheduled:
 - Nat. Gas Integration: May 13 & 14 (2014)
 - Operator Orientation to AFVs: May 14 (2014)
 - CNG Fuel System Inspection: June 10 & 11 (2014)
 - Alt. Fuels 101: Summer 2014
 - Electric Vehicles Training
 - Scheduled:
 - NFPA EV Safety Program: June 23 (2014)

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Market Development/Outreach Initiatives

Cultivated existing CFO EV website as the central resource center









Developed social media content focusing on electric vehicles and Ohio Green Fleet Successes







- Workplace Charging Workshop Hosted by Clean Fuels Ohio: April 29, 2014
 - Features:
 - Key national partners: Google, Disney & GM
 - Educational workshops
 - Panel sessions that included employers utilizing workplace charging
 - Ride-and-drive
 - Social media: live texting and tweeting during the event



- The workshop supported DOE's Workplace Charging Challenge Effort
 - Increase the number of U.S. employers offering workplace charging by tenfold in the next five years.
 - Supports the Department's EV Everywhere Grand Challenge: President Obama in March 2012
 - Goal: Make PEVs as affordable and convenient for the American family as gasoline-powered vehicles within the next 10 years.

Project Collaborations

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Sub-Recipients:

- Earth Day Coalition
 - Work with CFO to advance all strategic AFV initiatives in NE Ohio
- Calstart
 - Collect and share concrete and relevant information about PEVs and workplace charging infrastructure through outreach
- Communica
 - Develop a brand for the Ohio PEV initiative by creating a marketing plan
- Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)
 - Incorporate alt. fuel infrastructure and technologies, into regional transportation improvement programs (TIPs)

Trainers:

- AFV International
- Marathon Technical Serves
- National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)

City Government:

- City of Columbus
 - Provide meeting space for events
- City of Tipp City
 - Development of Green Fleet Action Plan
- City of Cincinnati
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State & Local Agencies:

- Ohio Air Quality and Development Authority
 - Provide funding for initiatives
- Ohio Department of Development
 - Provide outreach for educational workshops and activities
- Ohio Soybean Council
 - Provide funding for initiatives
- Stark Area Regional Transit Authority
 - Provide meeting space for events
- Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio
 - Help host workshops and trainings
- Ohio Department of Education
 - Provide outreach support for deliverables

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Remaining Project Activities:

- Policy Initiative
 - Study and assess Ohio Dept. of Administrative Services (ODAS) vehicle procurement specifications.
 - Develop model language for inclusion of AFV in Ohio Transportation Improvement Plans (TIPs).
 - Conduct an educational seminar for Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) leaders.
 - Work with stakeholders to develop procurement specifications that include a wide range of AFVs.
 - Develop an <u>alt. fuel task force</u> to identify barriers and analyze policy solutions.
- Barrier Reduction Initiatives
 - Education and outreach through alternative fuel events
 - CNG events, autogas events, electric vehicle events & biofuels events scheduled for 2014
- Safety and Training Initiatives
 - Scheduled:
 - Nat. Gas Integration: May 13 (all day) & May 14 (1st half of day) (2014)
 - Operator Orientation to AFVs: May 14 (2nd half of day) (2014)
 - CNG Fuel System Inspection: June 10 (all day) & June 11 (all day) (2014)
 - Electric Vehicle Safety Training: June 23 (all day) (2014)
 - Alt. Fuels 101: Summer 2014
- Market Development/Outreach Initiatives
 - Continue implementation of PEV Marketing Strategy
 - Identify additional fleets to be featured in the OGF success storytelling outreach campaign
 - Continually maintain fleet and technical mentor profiles to be featured on CFO website

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Remaining Project Activities:

- Market Development/Outreach Initiatives (cont.)
 - Develop video content through 5 video fleet success story profiles
 - Create additional posters of Success Story fleets for business and Ohio Green Fleets events

Remaining Challenges/Barriers

- Lack of fleet technical and educational experience with new fuels and vehicle technologies
 - Specifically, lack of long-term vehicle demonstration projects and data driven case studies for fleets
- Lack of industry coordination clear and outlets for consumer education
 - Specifically relating to electric vehicles for consumers
- Lack of relevant alternative fuel training for operators, technicians and first responders
- Lack of state government focus on AFV inclusion
 - Specifically related to incorporating AFVs on the state bid list and including AFVs in the state Transportation Improvement Plan (TIPs) process

Contributions to Sustainable AFV Market

- Increased fleet educational outlets/opportunities thru expansion of Ohio Green Fleets programming
- Increased consumer education thru statewide PEV marketing plan implementation (Cincinnati 25th EV market)
- Developed partnership and training programs with the Ohio Fire Marshals for safety training program
- Established program to educated state and local decision makers on AFV benefits, opportunities and best practices

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Project Replication Potential:

- Catalogued AFV policy barriers, opportunities and best practices for use in educational efforts
- Created templates for AFV trainings covering operators, mechanics and first responders including outreach materials, curriculum, and other course content
- Developed successful educational event model which incorporates expert informational content, peer success testimonials, vendor networking and technology exhibits
- Refined model for recognition of AFV fleet deployment leaders (OGF multimedia marketing)
- Developed workplace charging survey, partnership model and event structure with state and national partners

Related Efforts (not project funded):

- DOE CC Recovery Act Grant
 - Extensive marketing campaign for the OATP AFV and infrastructure projects around Ohio
 - 14 video success stories designed to target key public and private fleet segments and the portfolio of available fuels and technologies
 - Videos are designed to educate fleets on existing successes and opportunities for further AFV deployment, including fleet ability to leverage existing ARRA fuel infrastructure

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Related Efforts (not project funded) (cont.):

- Driving Force Fleet Advisors: providing in-depth contract services for entities outside of the grant
 - Options assessments and planning services
 - Technical and project development assistance
 - Funding strategies and implementation planning
 - Monitoring, follow-up, & training services
- Policymaker Education
 - Educate policy makers on the impact of incentives for AFV deployment
 - Educate policy makers on the impacts of restricting direct access to consumers to electric vehicles
 - Educate policy makers of recovery costs for natural gas pipelines
- Local Government Innovation Fund (LGIF) Development
 - Work with City Governments all around Ohio provide financial assistance to create more efficient and effective service delivery and facilitate improved business environments and promote community attraction with their plan for efficiency, collaboration, or shared services.

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Related Efforts (not project funded) (cont.):

- Developed key partnerships with state agencies to facilitate additional AFV deployment
- Partnered with 21 fleets to prepare applications which secured \$10.7 million in direct funding for AFV deployment projects
- Project spanned various fuels, technologies, geographic regions and fleet types represented below:

DERG 2012

- Smith Dairy Trucking: Dual-fuel CNG conversion kits
- Ohio Roll-Off: Repower engine to 2012 standards
- <u>Cleveland Clinic</u>: Fuel-operated heaters for idle reduction
- IdleAire: Electrified truck stop spaces to reduce idling
- JRAYL Trucking: Dual-fuel CNG conversion kits
- Stenger Trucking: Dual-fuel CNG conversion kits

DERG 2012 & 2013 Partnerships

- Ohio Department of Transportation
- · Ohio Air Quality and Development Authority
- Federal Highway Administration
- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

DERG 2013

- Austintown: Propane school bus replacements
- Canton City Schools: Natural gas school bus replacements
- <u>City of Cincinnati</u>: Natural gas dump truck replacements
- COTA: CNG transit bus engine components
- CRAA Propane shuttle repowers
- Frito-Lay: Natural gas delivery truck replacements
- Home City Ice: Natural gas delivery truck conversions
- Jaro Transport: Anti-Idling unit retrofits
- JRAYL Transport: Natural gas dual fuel repowers
- McGinnis: Marine vessel repowers
- NAT Transportation: Natural gas refuse truck replacements
- Ringler Energy: Natural gas dual fuel repowers
- Stenger Trucking: Natural gas dual fuel repowers
- Sugar Creek Packing: Hybrid-electric refrigerator truck replacements
- Superior Beverage: Natural gas dual fuel repowers

Project Summary

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Relevance:

- By 2020, to achieve a petroleum reduction of over 2.5 billion gallons per year through voluntary adoption of alternative fuel vehicles and infrastructure
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Approach:

- Policy
- Barrier Reduction
- Safety and Training
- Market Development/Outreach

Collaborations:

 Continue collaborations with local governments, stakeholders, industry partners, Clean Cities coalitions and the general public

Progress Accomplishments/Progress:

- Educated Decision Makers on Best Practices and Opportunities for AFV Deployment to move the market forward
- Provided technical and educational assistance to promote better understanding of AFVs
- Developed communication strategies to promote the availability of AFVs and AFV infrastructure around Ohio