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Department of Administration Announces Free Diesel Idling Workshop for Wisconsin's Heavy-Duty Vehicle Fleets

The Department of Administration (DOA) announces a statewide workshop to help motor carriers save money by reducing engine idling time and fuel consumption. DOA's State Energy Office, in partnership with Wisconsin Clean Cities (WCC), will host *Driving the Green Highway*, a workshop and exposition.

This event is free and open to the public. Participants are encouraged to register online at <u>www.wicleancities.org</u>.

Country Springs Hotel 2810 Golf Road - Pewaukee, Wisconsin Friday, November 1, 2013 1:00-4:00pm Reception to Follow 4:00-6:00pm

This workshop is tailored for trucking fleet professionals and owner/operators who are interested in idlereduction technologies and funding opportunities. Key topics of the workshop include:

- The health, financial and engine impacts of idling
- Wisconsin's statewide efforts to reduce idling and future cost-sharing funding opportunities
- Vehicle technologies, eco-driving tips, and fleet experiences in the trucking industry

Idling reduction technologies can significantly decrease fuel consumption by providing an alternate source of power to heat, cool or provide electricity to the cab instead of running the truck's main drive engine. In Wisconsin, more than 13,000 long-haul heavy-duty trucks idle overnight for required rest stops at least some fraction of the time, using almost 14 million gallons of fuel per year. Reducing fuel consumption will minimize the financial impact of costly diesel fuel to businesses as well as reduce the effects of diesel fuel pollution.

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