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Dear Manufacturer:

SUBJECT: Motor Vehicle and Engine Compliance (MVECP) Fee Payment Workshop

As you are probably aware, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is nearing completion of its new Fees Regulation. This rule will become effective 60 days after publication in the Federal Register. To assist you in implementing the new fees requirements, EPA will be holding a Fees Payment workshop. The goal of the workshop is to go over the fee payment procedures. In addition, we would also welcome your suggestions on ways to improve or streamline the fee process. The workshop will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 2004 at 1:00 p.m. in Ann Arbor, Michigan at the Morris J. Lawrence Building at Washtenaw Community College. Directions are posted on our website at: http://www.epa.gov/otaq/fees.htm.

The new Fees rule updates fees for light-duty vehicles and trucks, highway heavy-duty vehicles and engines, and highway motorcycles. In addition, EPA has incorporated a new fees program for nonroad engine compliance programs and this covers farm and construction equipment, lawn and garden equipment, locomotives, recreational vehicles (including snowmobiles, off-road motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles), commercial and recreational marine compression ignition engines and other nonroad engines. The workshop will be applicable to all of the above industries and will cover the following topics:

- What is the new Fees schedule?
- When is the effective date for fees?
- What makes a complete certification application?
- What is the fee payment process?
- How do we pay fees? What are the payment options?
- Do I qualify for reduced fees?
- What is the reduced fee process?
- Will these fees change in the future?

Please reply, via e-mail, to <u>larsen.kay@epa.gov</u> by April 26, 2004. Indicate the number of representatives attending the briefing. A limited number of dial-in numbers may be available for those manufacturers unable to attend. If there are any questions regarding the workshop please contact Kay Larsen at 734-214-4428. We will post all materials handed out at the workshop on our website at: www.epa.gov/otaq/fees.htm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

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