

## **APPENDIX E**

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**AB2766 Subvention Fund.** Cities within the jurisdiction of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) receive a portion of the fees charged to register motor vehicles. AQMD disburses this fund to the cities on a quarterly basis. The revenue must be used to fund projects and programs that *reduce emissions from mobile sources*. Additional revenue is available to match AB2766 subvention funding for certain types of expenditures from the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee's (MSRC) AB2766 Local Government Match Program. A separate application is required for the MSRC matching fund.

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Transportation Programs  
(909) 396-3271

Website: [www.aqmd.gov/Business/Transportation/  
AB2766SubventionFunding](http://www.aqmd.gov/Business/Transportation/AB2766SubventionFunding)

**AQMD Financial Assistance for Small Business.** Small businesses that are planning to purchase air pollution control equipment may apply for a loan guarantee under the California Capital Access Program (CalCAP). The program guarantees the repayment of your loan and motivates banks and other lenders to offer loans to small businesses for pollution control equipment. Guarantees are available for loans from \$15,000 to \$250,000 and may be up to 90 percent of the loan amount. To be eligible for assistance, a business must be subject to AQMD rules and regulations and must meet the definition of small business set by the U.S. Small Business Administration (typically less than 500 employees and \$5 million annual gross revenue).

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Website: [www.aqmd.gov/Business/Financial Assistance](http://www.aqmd.gov/Business/Financial Assistance)

**AQMD Lower Emission School Bus Program.** AQMD requires public schools and private operators with more than 15 or more school buses to purchase or lease cleaner buses to protect children from exposure to toxic diesel emissions. AQMD grants are available to public school districts for the *purchase of clean school buses* (e.g. compressed natural gas or low-emitting diesel), and for the retrofit of diesel buses with

particulate traps. To qualify for grants to purchase new buses, school districts agree to retire an equivalent number of the oldest, most polluting buses in the district's fleet. Funds are first distributed in proportion to the number of residents within each county. School Districts in LA county receive about 61 percent, Orange county - 18 percent, San Bernardino county - 11 percent, and Riverside receives - 10 percent. LA Unified School District is restricted to a maximum of 50 percent of the total funds distributed to LA County. Additional funding criteria apply.

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Website: [www.aqmd.gov/Education/CleanAirTechnologies/Implementation/SchoolBusProgram](http://www.aqmd.gov/Education/CleanAirTechnologies/Implementation/SchoolBusProgram)

**Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program.** The state legislature created this funding program to develop state air quality measures. The Carl Moyer program is designed to facilitate the introduction and use of low-emission, heavy-duty engines. Funds may be used to help purchase or repower new vehicles. New vehicles and equipment must achieve a 30 percent reduction of NO<sub>x</sub> emissions compared to current emission standards. Alternative fuel engines, (e.g. compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, propane and electricity) will be given preference for funding. However, cleaner diesel engines may be considered in the off-road category if a CARB-certified alternative fuel engine is not available for a specific application. Vehicles and equipment must remain in operation for at least five years, and 75 percent of their use must be within the South Coast basin.

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Website: [www.aqmd.gov/Education/CleanAirTechnologies/Implementation/CarlMoyerProgram](http://www.aqmd.gov/Education/CleanAirTechnologies/Implementation/CarlMoyerProgram)

**Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program.** This program is implemented by the local transportation commissions or metropolitan planning organization. Funding is available for transit improvement projects and alternative fuels.

Website: [www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/cmaq.htm](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/cmaq.htm)

**Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) – Competitive Grants.** The discretionary funds are to be used for clean air projects that results in direct and tangible reductions in air pollution from vehicles within the South Coast Air District. Project categories include clean fuel vehicles, alternative fuel infrastructure, transportation control measures; such as ridesharing telecommuting,

videoconferencing, parking management, traffic synchronization and research and development of new clean air technologies, as well as educational projects.

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**MSRC – Local Government Match Program.** This program provides matching funding against local funds for investments such as alternative fuel infrastructure and vehicles. Local governments such as cities and counties are eligible to apply for funding. Historically, project categories include clean fuel vehicles, alternative fuel infrastructure, and transportation.

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**Rule 2202 Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP).** AQMD requires employers with over 250 employees to reduce emissions from employee commute trips. One option available to employers under Rule 2202 is to invest in the AQMD's Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) in lieu of implementing other rule requirements. AQIP revenue is placed in a restricted fund to be used to reduce emissions to mitigate the impacts of not participating in an employee commute reduction program. The objective of the program is to use the AQIP fund to reduce emissions to levels that are equivalent to levels that would have been achieved if the employer had implemented other strategies in the rule. The AQMD accepts emission reduction proposals and awards contracts on a bi-annual basis. Qualified AQIP proposals may include the purchase of clean on-road and off-road vehicles, and projects that enhance mobility (e.g. shuttle services).

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Website: www.aqmd.gov/Education/CleanAirTechnologies/  
Implementation/Rule2202AirQualityInvestmentProgram

**Sempre Energy.** Rebates, grants and loans are available until funding is depleted. *Flex Your Power's* website is a great resource for energy efficiency and conservation information. Incentives/rebates, technical assistance, retailers, product guides, case studies and more are found on this website.

Website: www.fypower.org

**U.S. Department of Energy (U.S.DOE)-Clean Cities Program.** The United States Department of Energy (DOE) established the Clean Cities Program as a locally based public/private alliance to expand the use of alternative fuels to gasoline and diesel fuel. By combining local decision-making with voluntary action by partners, the grassroots

approach of Clean Cities departs from traditional top-down federal programs. It creates an effective plan carried out at the local level for creating a sustainable nationwide alternative fuels market.

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