Clean Energy Fuels and City of Chesapeake Unveil Virginia's Newest Public CNG Station

The City of Chesapeake unveiled its first public access fast-fill compressed natural gas (CNG) fueling station at a special "First Fueling" event on November 29th. Mayor Rick West, Clean Energy’s Gary Parker, Virginia Clean Cities Executive Director Allyen Harned, and Michael Bisogno with the Commonwealth of Virginia’s Office of Fleet Management Services, all spoke at the event and participated in the ribbon cutting along with Chesapeake's City Manager James Baker and Fleet Manager George Hrichak. [more]

Responses Needed for VCC's Electric
Virginia Clean Cities is seeking the following information from localities on their current permitting process for installing EV Chargers, known as Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) on existing commercial and public property to help expedite EVSE deployment efforts underway in Virginia.  

**IC Bus Launches Propane School Bus Incentive Program**

IC Bus announced a new, environmentally friendly grant program that provides school districts with incentives to add propane-powered school buses to their fleets. The IC Bus Grant Program will offer qualifying school districts throughout the United States and Canada $5,000 in grants per newly purchased propane-powered CE Series school buses.

**Bulk Buy Discount Webinars F4F**

Calling all fleet managers and fleet procurement officers
Fleets for the Future (F4F) is excited to present to you exclusive offers on the most popular alternative fuel vehicle models for public sector fleets. Please join us with National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), Zenith Motors, and National Auto Fleet Group (NAFG) to learn about our available clean vehicles provided through NJPA, a leading national purchasing cooperative with over 50,000 members. Vehicles range from plug-in hybrid sedans to propane and natural gas trucks to full electric shuttle buses and cargo vans. Electric vehicle charging infrastructure and associated services are also newly available. {more}

Halifax County Public Schools Add Five LPG School Buses with DEQ Assistance

Halifax County Public Schools continues its conversion to LPG-fuel school buses through a partnership with Virginia Clean Cities and the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. VCC was able to identify Supplemental Environmental Program funding of $125,000 to help with the purchase of 5 LPG school buses. HCPS then scrapped five pre-2009 diesel school buses. The removal of these diesel buses will result in a net reduction in particulate matter of 0.3 tons, a net reduction in nitrogen oxide of 3.6 tons, and overall lifetime reduction in diesel gallons of 104,535 gallons. These reductions are estimated to have $28,000 in annual health benefit savings to the residents of Halifax County.

Alternative Fuel Vehicles and Propane Come the Rescue
Contributed by Todd Mouw, vice president of sales and marketing at Roush Clean Tech

Our nation has been hit hard by natural disasters in recent months. Gasoline and diesel shortages in Texas and Florida due to hurricanes wreaked havoc with people trying to evacuate prior to the storms and support First Responders after the storms had passed.

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**Virginia DEQ Issues RFP for Statewide Public Electric Vehicle Charging Station Network**

On September 29th, the Department of Environmental Quality issued a request for proposal for the state’s first public electric vehicle charging station network. This program will be supported by the state’s share of Volkswagen settlement funding. The program is seeking proposals to deploy EVSE, specifically DC fast chargers, throughout Virginia.

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**MotorWeek: Alternative Fuel Vehicles and Emergency Preparedness**

Being prepared for emergencies is more essential than ever. Superstorm Sandy wreaked havoc on the East Coast back in 2012, and the current hurricane season has also been devastating. Vulnerable coastal regions in the southeast were hit with powerful storms that flooded communities and cut electric power and gasoline/diesel fuel supplies. But early reports from both Texas and Florida included numerous examples of how alternative
fuel vehicles (AFVs) and infrastructure proved to be reliable and resilient throughout the disasters. {more}

Donate Your Vehicle to VCC and Earn a Tax Deduction!

Virginia Clean Cities is a certified motor vehicle charity consigner! If you have a vehicle rusting away in your parking lot that you need to be rid of, and want a tax-deduction for it, we’d love to take it off your hands! {more}

Support VCC with a Monthly Contribution of $10, $25 or $50

You can now support Virginia Clean Cities with a recurring monthly donation of as little as $10. Your generous support helps VCC deploy EV charging stations, propane schools buses, and CNG transit vehicles. {more}

Upcoming Events

December 4-8, 2017: CNG Training & Certification Course - Chesapeake, VA. Register here

For a full list of upcoming events, please visit http://www.vacleancities.org/events

New and Renewing Stakeholders
Phillips Energy, Inc.

City of Charlottesville

City of Virginia Beach

Dominion Electric Vehicles
Thank you for your support of our organization, and we hope you enjoy this newsletter!

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