December 2023 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program Webinar, Dec. 12
- Electric School Bus Funding Virtual Support Session for VA, Dec. 14
- Ethanol Safety and Steel Drum 101 Webinar 1, Dec. 19
- Ethanol Safety and Steel Drum 101 Webinar 2, Jan. 24
- NTEA Work Truck Show Green Truck Summit, Indianapolis, IN, March 5-8
- 2024 Rally in Richmond, Richmond, VA, Apr. 4

Click the events for more info.

VCC Welcomes New Board Members
Virginia Clean Cities is excited to announce the addition of four new members of our board of directors! Join us in welcoming Whitney Kopanko (top left), Charles “Chuck” Cramer (top right), Bill Griffiths (bottom left), and Erin O. Puryear (bottom right) to the VCC team. Read their bios with the link below.

VCC Partners with new EV Workforce Project

VCC has joined their counterpart Louisiana Clean Fuels and other partners to announce the launch of the GUMBO (Guaranteeing Access to Underserved and Marginalized Populations by Building Employment Opportunities) Workforce Development Initiative.

Propane Autogas is Helping USPS Fleet Operations

In the pursuit of environmentally responsible transportation solutions, fleet managers often find themselves at a crossroads, balancing the need for sustainability with practicality. For one United States Postal Service (USPS) supplier, the answer came in the form of propane autogas.

Electric Vehicle Charging Assistance Program (EVCAP) Launches

Virginia Clean Cities is excited to partner with Virginia Energy to announce and support the new EV Charging Assistance Program (EVCAP). This subaward program will work at the community level to understand and address issues surrounding the deployment of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and will inform current and future EV charging deployment.
State agencies and local governments in air quality non-attainment and maintenance areas may be reimbursed for incremental costs of transition to alternative fuels such as electricity, natural gas or propane autogas through the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ). State agencies are encouraged to apply. Reimbursements are up to an average of $10,000 for the incremental cost of reasonable aftermarket conversions.

Dominion Energy's Fleet Charging Program is making it easier and more affordable to charge your fleet. Through the program, Dominion Energy will install and maintain the necessary EV supply infrastructure (“make-ready”) and the EV supply equipment (“chargers”), giving customers a turn-key solution and control over their fleet charging operations.

This guide is intended to be a resource for school districts pursuing Electric School Buses (ESBs). Whether you are new to ESBs, have ESBs on order, or have been operating ESBs and are looking to expand your fleet, this guide has information for you.

Have Questions? Sign up for the virtual support session on December 14th here or through the event link at the top of this edition.
The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have just released the 2024 Fuel Economy Guide. The Guide provides detailed fuel economy estimates for model year 2024 light-duty vehicles, along with estimated annual fuel costs and other information for prospective car buyers.

Throughout December, Virginia DEQ is hosting a series of community meetings across the Commonwealth, aiming to tap into the collective wisdom of residents, stakeholders, and experts. These gatherings are scheduled at various dates and times to ensure broad participation, fostering diverse perspectives and innovative ideas.

New and returning members

Returning Coalition Level Member!

Interested in becoming a VCC Member? Check out our membership page or contact us with any questions.

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