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Summary of Clean Diesel Corridor Project

Goals

- Demonstrate early introduction of 15 ppm highway diesel fuel (ULSD)
 - Support regional/state efforts to increase ULSD usage for emission reduction benefits
 - Integrate with strong ULSD interest from companies/fleets participating in EPA's voluntary programs
 - Voluntary Diesel Retrofit Program
 - Clean School Bus USA
 - Smartway Transport Partnership
 - Fleet testing of prototype 2007 heavy-duty highway engines
- EPA's role is to facilitate a process where we would bring together interested stakeholders (engine manufacturers, truck manufacturers, trucking companies, refiners, fuel distributors, truck stops, states, etc.) to establish ULSD corridors

<u>Overview</u>

- Corridor(s) interstate highways for long-haul truck travel in select areas of the country (see attached map)
 - Meets needs of 2007 prototype testing program
 - Application extremes: temperature, humidity, speed/load, altitude, etc.
 - Align with established customer and partner needs
 - Integrate with ongoing regional/state efforts focused on emission reductions (e.g., I-5 West Coast Clean Diesel Collaborative; I-85 through Atlanta)
- Truck stops/terminals/centrally-fueled fleets along corridors agree to make 15 ppm available
 - Strategically locate fueling points to minimize distribution costs, maximize volume throughput
 - Locate common fueling stops for fleets
 - ~3 fueling stations for each corridor (about 1 every 800 miles; sufficient for long-haul truck needs)
 - Centrally-fueled trucks could be focused in large cities along corridors (e.g., Chicago, Houston, LA, and New York)
- Refiners/marketers supply fuel to identified truck stops/fleets
- Identify incentives for participating companies (e.g., state financial incentives, public recognition)
- Solidify commitments from key stakeholders to ensure fuel is available and used (e.g., MOU)

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Timing

• Stakeholders sign MOU in Fall 2004 (high level EPA press event, public recognition for companies that participate in this voluntary effort)

• ULSD introduction begins early 2005