



Fairfax Connector

Emissions Reduction
Program

Emissions Reduction Strategy

- 5 Components
 - Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel
 - Horsepower Reduction
 - Engine Idle Reduction
 - Diesel Particulate Filter
 - Hybrid Support Vehicles





Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel

- 30 PPM compared to 550 PPM for diesel
- At least 10 percent reduction in converting to ULSD
- New York City reductions achieved:
 - particulate matter 23%,
 - carbon dioxide 29%, and
 - hydro carbon 76%



Horsepower Reduction

- Reduction from 275 to 250 in horsepower
 - 25 – Detroit diesel series 50 engines in 30 ft. buses
- 5% per bus reduction in fuel consumption
 - 9,000+ annual gallon reduction
 - \$17,000+ annual cost savings
- 1% overall fleet emissions reduction



Engine Idle Reduction

- 50% of engine time is in idling (engine running)
 - Layovers and garage idling
- Consumption
 - approximately 8 tenths of a gallon/hour of idling
- Fleet has been programmed
 - auto shutdown after minimal idle time
- Anticipated results
 - 73,000+ annual gallon reduction
 - \$138,000+ annual cost savings
- 5.25% emissions reduction



Diesel Particulate Filter (DPF)

- **Pilot program**
 - test performance of DPFs
 - provide County with the operational cost impacts
 - make a determination to retrofit
- **90% emission reduction**
 - DPF systems in conjunction with ULSD
- **Bus specifications**
 - ULSD requirement
 - DPF equipped



Hybrid Support Vehicles

- Fairfax Connector
 - 19 support vehicles
 - 47% are hybrid
 - 89% within 5 years

Example of exhaust pipes without and with DPF system

