AB118 Pre-Application Workshop for
Centers for Alternative Fuels and
Advanced Vehicle Technology

California Energy Commission
Hearing Room A
September 6, 2013

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Workshop Introduction and Overview

• Welcome and Introductions

• Housekeeping/Logistics
  – Bathrooms
  – 2nd Floor Snack Shop
  – In case of emergency
Agenda and Goals

- Overview of the Solicitation
- Application Format and Required Documents
- Evaluation Process and Criteria
- Questions and Answers
- Adjourn
Solicitation Purpose

To unify activities that may provide future development and expansion of alternative fuels and advanced vehicle technologies through collaboration with existing and new centers throughout the state.
# Key Activities

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Available Funding and How Award is Determined

- Up to $4.7 million total available.
- At least three awards of up to $1,566,667 each.
- Awards distributed among Northern, Central, and Southern California.
Grant Officer Contact Information

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Eligible Applicants

- Public and private entities.
- An applicant can only apply for one region (Northern, Central, or Southern California).
- Must have a business presence in California.
Eligible Projects

The proposed center must:

1. Be located in one of the three defined geographic regions within California.

2. Support two or more local agencies and businesses within the region.

AND …
Eligible Projects (cont’d.)

3. Accomplish one or more of the following:

- Identify strategic opportunities to develop/demonstrate advanced technology vehicles.
- Provide a neutral site to collaborate on technology demonstrations.
- Centralize the attention of fleet managers.
- Integrate vehicle technology development with workforce training efforts.
- Serve multiple functions to support and promote local and regional alternative fuel vehicles.
- Provide a central location for local and regional planning.
Eligible Projects (cont’d.)

A center can be either a physical facility or a virtual center.
Eligible Projects (cont’d.)

Eligible expenditures include, but are not limited to costs to develop, construct, expand, rent/lease, and/or operate the proposed center.
Eligible Projects (cont’d.)

The following project types ARE NOT eligible for funding under this solicitation:

– Feasibility studies
– Surveys
– Center solely developing research projects and/or conducting research.
– Vehicle demonstration.
Partnership Requirements

• Each proposal should contain a plan to recruit key partners along with a list of expected partnerships.
Match Funding Requirements

- Minimum of 50% of total project costs.

- Greater percentage in match share funding will be scored higher.

- Applications that do not meet the minimum match share requirement will be disqualified.
Application Format

• Typed or printed, 11-point font, single-spaced, and a blank line between paragraphs.

• Other characteristics, as listed in PON-13-605.

• 1 original and 5 copies of the application.

• Electronic copies on USB stick or CD ROM; files in Microsoft Word XP .doc and Excel Office Suite formats.

• Project Narrative maximum 30 pages.
Required Documents

- Table of Contents
- Application Form (Attachment 01)
- Project Narrative
- Scope of Work (Attachment 02)
- Schedule of Products and Due Dates (Attachment 04)
- Resumes
- Letter(s) of Support/Commitment
- Budget Forms (Attachment 05)
- Contacts (Attachment 06)
- ARFVTP Funding Restrictions Certification (Attachment 09)
- CEQA Worksheet (Attachment 10)
- Local Health Impacts Information (Attachment 11)
Evaluation Process

• Stage One: Screening
  – Administrative Screening
  – Technical Screening

• Stage Two: Technical and Cost Evaluation
  – Total score average of combined scores.
  – Minimum passing score is 70%.
  – Applications recommended for funding in ranked order (by region) until available funding is exhausted.
Screening Criteria

• Application MUST be received by due date and time stated in solicitation. (No exceptions)
• Application form MUST be completed and signed by Applicant’s authorized representative.
• Minimum 50% match share funding committed.
• Applications with confidential information, in whole or in part, will be disqualified.
• See pages 16-17 for additional screening criteria and grounds for rejection.
Evaluation Criteria

• Contained on pages 19-20 of solicitation.

• Applicants should ensure Applications:
  – Fully and clearly address each criterion, including all sub bullets.
  – Carefully organize information to facilitate review and evaluation.
  – Include all assumptions and calculations (as applicable) utilized.
Questions and Answers

• Accepting oral questions during this workshop.
• Accepting written questions until September 9, 2013.
• Please send your questions to:

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Adjourn

Thank you for your participation in today’s workshop.