Diesel Retrofit Program - Regulated Solid Waste Vehicle Inventory and Cost Estimate Submittals Are Required

Who is affected?

Solid Waste Vehicles that are publicly-owned or used to perform residential or commercial (non-industrial) solid waste services under a public contract and that are registered in New Jersey, powered by a diesel engine, and have a gross vehicle weight rating in excess of 14,000 pounds. Examples of regulated solid waste vehicles include, but are not limited to, open boxes, compactors, solid waste single-unit and solid waste cabs. Solid waste cabs are considered any vehicle to which a solid waste trailer can be attached for transporting solid waste (excluding hazardous waste) off-site by roadway. Solid waste cab includes, but is not limited to, the tractor portion of an articulated vehicle.

What has occurred?

The June 6, 2008 deadline for owners of regulated solid waste vehicles to submit an inventory and cost estimate for retrofitting particulate emission controls has passed. The deadline was an extension of the March 6, 2008 deadline set forth at N.J.A.C. 7:27-32.12(b)1 of the Diesel Retrofit Program rules (N.J.A.C. 7:27-32). The submittal was required to include an inventory of all diesel vehicles and diesel off-road equipment in the owner’s fleet and cost estimates to retrofit regulated diesel solid waste vehicles with the required particulate emission controls.

What is DEP doing?

The Department is identifying owners of regulated solid waste vehicles and will take effective measures for compliance up to and including enforcement and penalty assessments. Regulated solid waste vehicle owners who did not submit an inventory and cost estimate in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-32.12 by June 6, 2008 are subject to penalties up to $2,000.

What should I do?

If you own a regulated solid waste vehicle, you must comply with the Diesel Retrofit Program rules by submitting an inventory/cost estimate submittal form. Regulated vehicle owners must supply a fleet inventory listing all diesel powered on-road vehicles and diesel-powered self-propelled off-road equipment owned or operated in the fleet, identify the method for compliance for all regulated solid waste vehicles and provide the cost estimates associated with the Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) devices to be installed.
This information must be provided electronically on the Department’s “Initial Inventory/Cost Estimate-BART” form and be submitted to the Department for review and approval before any installation can occur.

Municipalities and other public entities that contract out solid waste services should ensure their contractor’s compliance with the diesel retrofit law to receive the local air quality benefits from reduced diesel particulate emissions.

Who should I contact with questions?

DEP, Mandatory Diesel Retrofit Program

(609) 292-7953

Where can I get more information?

More information about the law, a guidance document designed for solid waste vehicle owners and inventory and cost estimate submittal forms are available at:

Stop the Soot: [http://www.stopthesoot.org](http://www.stopthesoot.org)

Please note this advisory is intended to be a summary explanation of a department initiative. It does not include all potentially applicable requirements. If you have any questions related to compliance with this initiative, please contact the number listed above.