Grants and Loans Available for Clean Fuel Projects

Salt Lake City — The Utah Division of Air Quality (DAQ) is seeking projects to award $250,000 in grants and $250,000 in loans from the Clean Fuels Grant and Loan Program. Funds are awarded annually to help businesses and government entities purchase clean fuel technologies that reduce emissions and improve Utah’s air quality.

“The success of past clean fuel projects funded through this program demonstrates the commitment local governments and businesses make to help alleviate the unique air quality challenges we face in Utah,” said Amanda Smith, executive director of the Utah Department of Environmental Quality. “We look forward to seeing a diverse set of applicants and projects to award grants and loans to this coming year.”

Since 2009, DAQ has awarded $1.23 million in grants and $366,667 in loans. Projects have included the conversion of cars, trucks and shuttle buses to natural gas; as well as the purchase of natural gas refuse trucks, freight trucks, transit buses, street sweepers, aerial truck towers, glass recycling vehicles and refueling stations.

Grant and loan proposals must be submitted to DAQ by 5 p.m. on Dec. 12, 2013. Detailed application submission requirements are available at [www.cleanfuels.utah.gov](http://www.cleanfuels.utah.gov). The awards will be announced in March 2014.

For more information, businesses and local governments can visit [www.cleanfuels.utah.gov](http://www.cleanfuels.utah.gov).

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About DEQ
Established in 1991, the Utah Department of Environmental Quality’s (DEQ) mission is to safeguard public health and quality of life by protecting and enhancing the environment. DEQ implements state and federal environmental laws and works with individuals, community groups and businesses to protect the quality of Utah’s air, land and water. For more information, visit [www.deq.utah.gov](http://www.deq.utah.gov), follow DEQ on Facebook (newseq) and Twitter (@UTDEQ), or call 1-800-458-0145.