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MAYOR DE BLASIO ANNOUNCES NYC CLEAN FLEET INITIATIVE

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Today, December 1, 2015 Mayor de Blasio announced the NYC Clean Fleet initiative to greatly expand on NYC's leadership in fleet sustainability. Under the initiative, NYC is pledging to achieve a fifty percent (50%) reduction in its fleet greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) by 2025 and 80% by 2035.

The initiative will be highlighted by a number of key steps:

- Expanding the City's on-road electric vehicle (EV) fleet to at least 2,300. Currently NYC operates 323 full use EV vehicles with 58 more currently on order. NYC also has an additional 559 off-road plug in units, for a total plug in fleet of 882. NYC also operates 133 solar-electric units such as light towers, sign boards, and carts.
- Expand the use of anti-idling, hybrid, and stop-start technologies in medium-and heavy duty vehicles, to substantially reduce emissions and gasoline use.
- Increase the use of alternatives to traditional diesel fuels including higher biodiesel blends and/or renewable diesel and to move away from the use of traditional diesel fuel in city vehicles by 2035. In the last two years, NYC's Fleet has used almost 30 million gallons of biodiesel blended fuel.
- Release a Request for Information (RFI) for advanced technology solutions for light, medium, and heavy duty vehicles, including advanced battery EVs, hydrogen, CNG, and other clean fuels. This RFI will be focused on fleet applications which don't currently have clear alternative fuel options.
- Further adopt and expand best-practices in fleet management that limits "upsizing" to SUVs and employs car and ride sharing.
- Begin a citywide EV Adoption Team, led by DCAS and Mayor's Office of Sustainability, to promote EV use across all agencies and to identify additional charger locations and facility needs to support EV.

These initiatives will help NYC further its commitment to lead the world in sustainable fleet approaches. Already NYC is one of the nation's leaders in adoption of technologies including biodiesel, hybrids, and electric vehicles. NYC operates 5,741 hybrids and also 211 compressed natural gas (CNG) units.

We look forward to working with all of you to implement this ambitious and critical plan, and we will report more on developments in fleet sustainability in future newsletters. Thanks to the Mayor's Office of Sustainability, OMB, DCAS Fleet, Law, and Procurement, and all the major fleet agencies for their participation in this effort.



EVs at NYC Parks