

# NEBRASKA 2024 Clean Diesel Rebate Program

# **Diesel Truck Reimbursement Instructions**

All project requirements should be completed and rebate documentation submitted by August 31, 2026. Project extensions may be available if the new bus cannot be delivered by that date.

# **REIMBURSEMENT TIMELINE:** By **August 31, 2026**, the selectee should:

- 1. Accept delivery of the new truck or trucks;
- 2. Scrap the old truck(s) in accordance with the program requirements described below; and
- 3. Submit the Request for Reimbursement Form, Certification of Engine/Chassis Scrappage form, and all required supporting documentation.

### **ELIGIBLE REPLACEMENT TRUCKS**

- New or used trucks with 2021 or newer model year CNG engines certified to meet CARB's Optional Low-NOx Standards of 0.1 g/bhp-hr, 0.05 g/bhp-hr, or 0.02 g/bhp-hr NOx (35% reimbursement, maximum \$160,000).
- New or used trucks with 2021 or newer model year diesel engines certified to meet EPA or CARB emissions standards (25% reimbursement, maximum \$100,000).
- A replacement truck must be in the same vehicle weight class and operate in the same manner as the original truck.

## **OTHER REQUIREMENTS:**

- The new truck(s) cannot be used to expand the applicant's current fleet; each must replace a truck that is currently in use. The replaced truck(s) must be disabled (scrapped) within 90 days of replacement.
- The rebate recipient must maintain ownership of the new truck(s) for at least five years from the date of purchase and continue to operate it in Nebraska. If a new truck is sold before the end of the five-year period, moved out of state, or used for purposes other than specified under this program, the rebate recipient must notify DWEE and may be required to return up to the full amount of the rebate to DWEE. The amount required to be returned is at the discretion of DWEE and will be determined on a case-bycase basis.
- Recipients may be required to file annual reports of mileage and fuel use for the duration of the agreement.

### **SCRAPPAGE REQUIREMENTS**

Each old truck being replaced must be scrapped (permanently disabled) prior to submission of the reimbursement request to DWEE. Scrappage consists of:

- 1. Cutting, drilling, or punching a 3" by 3" hole completely through the wall of the engine block.
- 2. Cutting completely through the chassis frame rails on either side between the front and rear axles.

Scrappage may be completed by the rebate recipient, by a salvage yard, or by a similar service, provided all scrappage requirements have been met and all necessary documentation is provided. Alternative scrappage methods require approval from DWEE and EPA Region 7. Equipment and vehicle components that are not part of the engine or chassis may be salvaged from the truck being replaced. The engine and chassis may be sold for scrap metal, provided that the truck is disposed of in accordance with federal and state requirements for vehicle disposal. Salvage proceeds may be retained by the rebate recipient, but they must be reported to DWEE as program income.

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#### SCRAPPAGE DOCUMENTATION

The following documentation of scrappage is required and must be submitted prior to or with the reimbursement request.

Clean Diesel Rebate Program Certification of Engine/Chassis Scrappage form signed by the rebate recipient and the party responsible for dismantling the vehicle, and including:

- The name and address of the dismantler
- Identification of the old vehicle and engine including model year, VIN, and engine serial number
- The date the vehicle was scrapped by the dismantler

## Photographs (with labels or explanatory captions) of:

- Side profile of the old truck clearly showing that it has been disabled;
- Vehicle Identification Number (VIN);
- The engine label that includes:
  - Engine serial number;
  - EPA Engine Family identifier;
- Chassis frame rails cut in half between the front and rear axles;
- Engine block prior to hole being cut;
- Engine block showing the 3" by 3" hole; and
- Other photos as needed.

## **DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR REIMBURSEMENT**

After you have received the new truck(s) and have scrapped the old truck(s), you must submit the following documentation to receive reimbursement:

- Request for Reimbursement form
- Copy of the Nebraska vehicle registration for each replacement truck
- Side profile photo of each replacement truck
- Photo of the replacement vehicle engine label showing EPA Engine Family identifier
- Copy of purchase order
- Copy of paid invoice
- Copy of proof of payment (e.g., cancelled check front and back, credit card payment receipt, or bank statement showing that the check was cashed)
- Completed Nebraska Substitute Form W-9 and ACH Enrollment Form with voided blank check or photocopy of cleared check (payments over \$25,000 must be made electronically through the ACH system) if not already enrolled with the State of Nebraska for ACH payments.
- Completed EPA MBE/WBE Utilization form
- Scrappage documentation (see above).

### SUBMITTING YOUR REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST

Reimbursement requests may be submitted electronically by e-mail or in hard-copy by mail. Reimbursement forms and documentation may be assembled into a PDF file for easy e-mail submission.

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For electronic submission, please e-mail to:

NDEE.AirGrants@nebraska.gov

Questions?

Email us at NDEE.AirGrants@nebraska.gov

For hard-copy submission, please mail to: Nebraska Clean Diesel Rebate Program Nebraska Dept. of Water, Energy, and Environment 245 Fallbrook Blvd., Suite 100 Lincoln, NE 68521