

## The GWRCCC Post



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### Fueling You With Knowledge One Mile At A Time

#### GWRCCC Testifies at EPA Hearing in Support of Higher Volume Requirements for Biofuels under the Renewable Fuel Standard



Please click [here](#) to read the testimony of Ira Dorfman, GWRCCC Executive Director

#### Fast Commuter Ferry Proposed for Potomac River

The Northern Virginia Regional Commission has launched a study to determine the feasibility of operating commuter ferry service from Woodbridge, VA into downtown Washington, DC with intermediate stops along the way. GWRCCC is participating on an advisory committee to help determine if the ferries can operate on a clean fuel other than diesel that can reduce the risk of marine fuel spills, mitigate air pollution and operate more quietly.

Natural gas, particularly renewable natural gas produced from non-fossil sources, renewable diesel fuel, hydrogen and biodiesel are all under consideration, especially if their use can generate operational subsidies that can reduce the cost of commuter fares. In the meantime, the Potomac River Boat Company, the company that proposes to operate the commuter ferries, has just placed into service several new 149 passenger ferries for tourist destinations in the DMV area. GWRCCC is working with the Company and the National Biodiesel Foundation to encourage the use of environmentally friendly biodiesel in these diesel-powered vessels.



#### North Carolina to Host Fleet Sustainability Expo

**The Sustainable Fleet Technology Conference** showcases the latest and greatest in advanced vehicles, fuels, and technologies - including data driven solutions.

This conference is a source of on-the-ground experience for increasing fleet efficiency and sustainability, while reducing emissions and costs.



Join us on **October 11-13, 2017** in Raleigh, North Carolina. Come and learn from your peers and experts. Or, join us and share your expertise - opportunities to sponsor, exhibit, and display vehicles are still available.

Register and learn more at [www.sustainablefleetexpo.com](http://www.sustainablefleetexpo.com). Discount pricing for Clean Cities Stakeholders is available. Contact **Allison Carr** ([akcarr@ncsu.edu](mailto:akcarr@ncsu.edu)) at the NC Clean Energy Technology Center for additional information.

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## F4F Webinar: Exclusive Deals on Alt-Fuel Vehicles

On Wednesday, October 4, 2017 Zenith Motors and The National Automobile Fleet Group (NAFG) will be offering an additional discount on EV, CNG and propane vehicles through Fleets for the Future (F4F). Join the webinar to learn more about how you can transform your fleet while saving thousands of dollars in the process. There will be a live Q&A session following the presentations where participants can ask all of the vendors questions directly following the presentations .

Learn more about F4F here: <http://www.fleetsforthefuture.org/> . Register [here](#) for the webinar.



Note: these opportunities are available to public sector entities only.

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## A Call To Action for Metro Funding

**Saturday, October 7, 2017**

the League of Women Voters of the National Capital Area and the Coalition for Smarter Growth are hosting a forum to energize grass roots activists and embark on a campaign to win your support for Metro funding.

Click [here](#) to see Kathy McGuire statement, President of the League of Women Voters of the National Capital Area

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## Member Profile : Jill Hamilton of SESI

Click [here](#) to see our member profile of the month: Jill Hamilton, President of Sustainable Energy Strategy Inc.



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## Limited-Time Discounts on XL Hybrids Now Available for Public Entities

The Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) has a state wide contract, [VEH102](#), which enables XL Hybrids to aggregate state and municipal purchases of aftermarket hybrid electric conversion systems offered under the statewide contract. The agreement covers hybrid electric conversions for Class 2 Ford and GM vans and Class 3-6 Ford, GM, or Isuzu chassis, as well as plug-in hybrid electric conversions for Class 2 Ford pickups. The key tipping point for the volume discounts is bringing together more than 5 vehicles for retrofit or up-fit. Click [here](#) for a full list of eligible makes/models and [here](#) for the XL Hybrids Pricing for Sample.

Class 2 Ford and GM Vans for Hybrid Electric Up-fit or Retrofit			
	Ford Transit 150		Chevy Express
	Ford Transit 250		GMC Savana 2500
	Ford Transit 350		GMC Savana 3500
	Ford Econoline		

### Discounts

1. Accelerated time-based discount

### Deadline

October 24

For more information on the XL Hybrid discount, contact: **Megan Aki (maki@mapc.org / 617.933.0795)**, Energy Analyst at the Metropolitan Area Planning Council in Boston, MA .

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