

## **CT Projects funded by National DERA Program**

In 2014 and 2015, Connecticut School districts received DERA funding for clean school buses. Three school districts in Connecticut were chosen in 2014 to receive \$245,000 from EPA to help pay for 11 new school buses: Killingly School District received \$125,000 and Montville Public Schools \$100,000, each to replace five school buses. Martel Transportation serving Canton school received \$20,000 to replace one bus in its fleet.

In 2015, two public schools and four school bus service providers in Connecticut were selected to receive a total of \$525,000 in rebates to help pay for 31 new school buses. This funding went towards buses in the communities of Bethany, Canton, Killingly, Oakdale, Waterbury and New Britain. The bus operators chosen were:

- B and B Transportation in Bethany, which received \$60,000 to replace three buses;
- Martel Transport in Canton, which received \$40,000 to replace two buses;
- Killingly Public Schools, which received \$70,000 to replace three buses;
- Montville Public Schools in Oakdale, which received \$55,000 to replace three buses;
- All Star Transportation of Waterbury, which received \$200,000 to replace 10 buses; and
- DATTCO Inc. of New Britain, which received \$200,000 to replace 10 buses.

The Connecticut Maritime Foundation received \$800,000.00 to upgrade the engines on a New London based ferry. The Cross Sound Ferry Services' high speed passenger ferry, Jessica W., received two new, Tier 3 marine engines.

The Town of Trumbull successfully competed for National DERA funds to replace the diesel engines on three of its waste collection vehicles with engines powered by compressed natural gas.

The Town of Fairfield's proposal to install verified diesel emissions reduction technologies on its fleet of municipal vehicles was also successful in winning National DERA funds.

In addition, National DERA funding was awarded for a switch engine conversion project in New Haven. The grant enabled CSX railroad to replace one of its switch engines, with a three-part configuration of smaller and cleaner EPA-certified Tier 3 generator sets (gensets) that allow the locomotive to run more efficiently and save fuel. This was one of a group of projects implemented under a single grant to the New England States for Coordinated Air Use Management in 2009.