

# Big Benefits from Modernizing and Upgrading Existing Large Diesel Engines

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# Diesel Plays an Essential Role in New Jersey

Positive Train Control cable installation on the Atlantic City Rail Line.



The first phase of work to replace wood catenary poles on the Gladstone Branch was completed in FY2018.



This mobile diesel generator can help provide backup power during major power outages.

NJ TRANSIT ordered 85 new articulated buses in FY2018 for use on high-ridership routes.



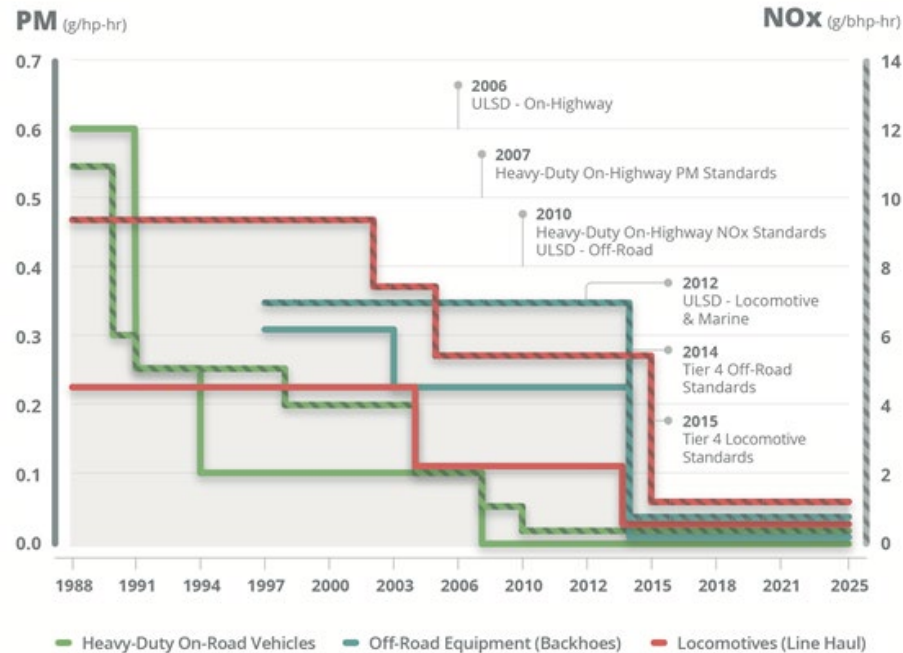
NJ Transit Places order for 334 motor coaches powered by Cummins X12 clean diesel engines



[https://www.njtransit.com/pdf/NJTRANSIT\\_2018\\_Annual\\_Report.pdf](https://www.njtransit.com/pdf/NJTRANSIT_2018_Annual_Report.pdf)



## PROGRESS TO NEAR-ZERO PM & NOx EMISSIONS



Source: U.S. EPA Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ)

EPA Tailpipe Emissions  
Standards for Heavy-Duty  
On- and Off-road  
Applications

Today's generation  
of diesel technology  
achieves near zero  
emissions – all  
applications



# DIESEL'S ROADMAP TO THE FUTURE

Emissions  
Closer to  
Zero



Increasing  
Energy  
Efficiency



Expanded  
Use of  
Renewable  
Fuels



Hybridization  
Where it  
Makes Sense





# Big Benefits from Modernizing and Upgrading Existing Large Diesel Engines

COST EFFECTIVE SOLUTIONS TO DELIVER BIG  
EMISSION REDUCTION BENEFITS WITH MARINE  
REPOWER PROJECTS



# About Marine Workboats

## What is a marine workboat?

- Tugs, push boats and other harbor craft that support maneuvering, positioning and Barging operations
- Fireboats and some fishing vessels
- Offshore service vessels that deliver crew and equipment and supplies supporting off-shore oil & gas operations, windfarms and other of-shore activities supply ships
- Passenger vessels including ferries and some cruise vessels

**NOT** ocean going vessels

**NOT** recreational or pleasure craft



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# Work Boat Engines: Diesel is the technology of choice

- Diesel is the technology of choice for marine workboats, due to unique combination of power, performance, efficiency reliability and durability... and most recently, near zero emissions
- Few LNG and other power systems



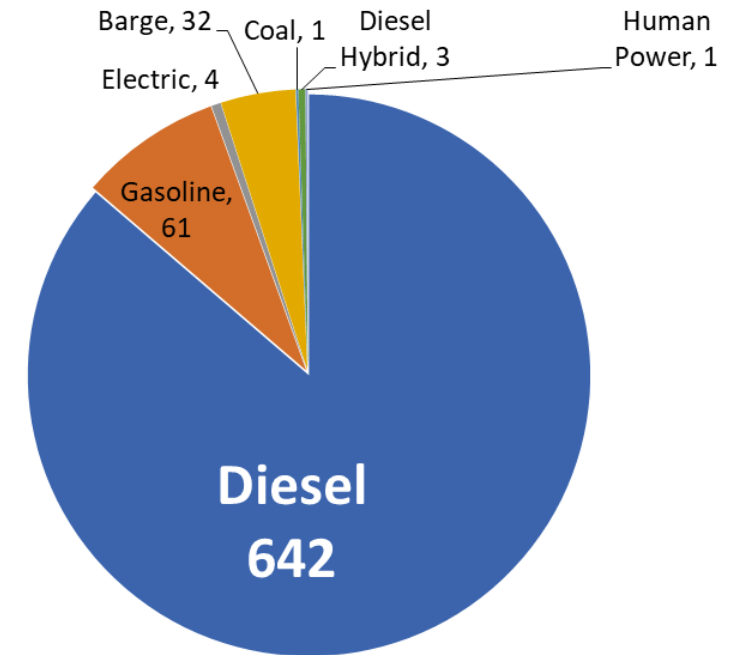
# Passenger Vessels are Important Asset in Transportation Systems, Nearly All Are Powered by Diesel

## Bureau of Transportation Statistics



39 Ferries in  
Operation in  
New Jersey

In 2018.....  
92.7 million Passengers  
24.1 million Vehicles

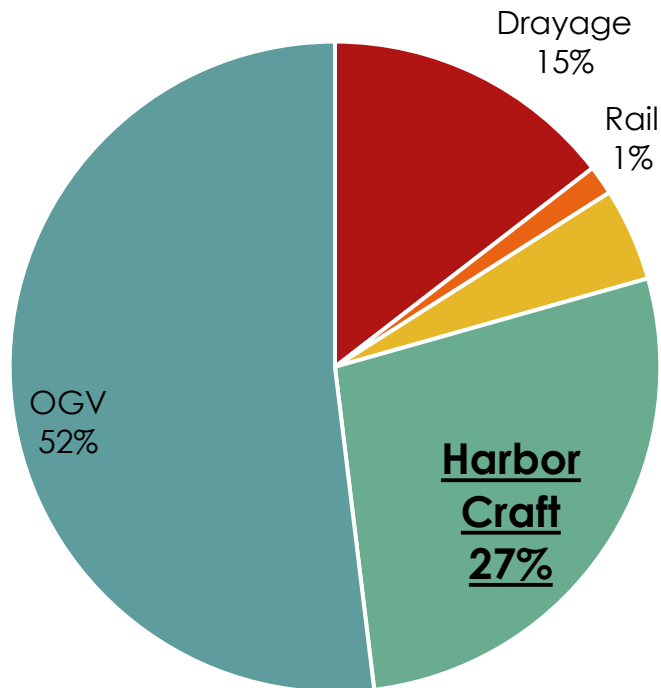


Diesel is the technology of choice for  
powering Ferries – 2018  
“National Census of Ferryboat Operators”

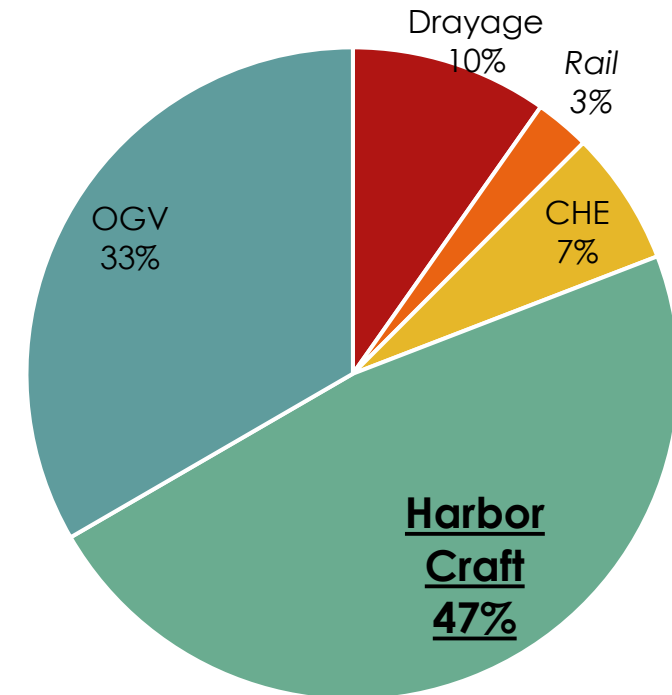


# Harbor Craft are Significant Contributors to Local Emissions Inventories

## PM 2.5 Emissions (2011)



## NOx Emissions (2011)



Average emissions inventory for near port communities

# New Jersey's Near Port Communities Demand Clean Air Now



What Residents See ....  
and What They Do Not See  
Every Day





# Since 2014 New Diesel Marine Engines Now Achieve Near Zero Emissions



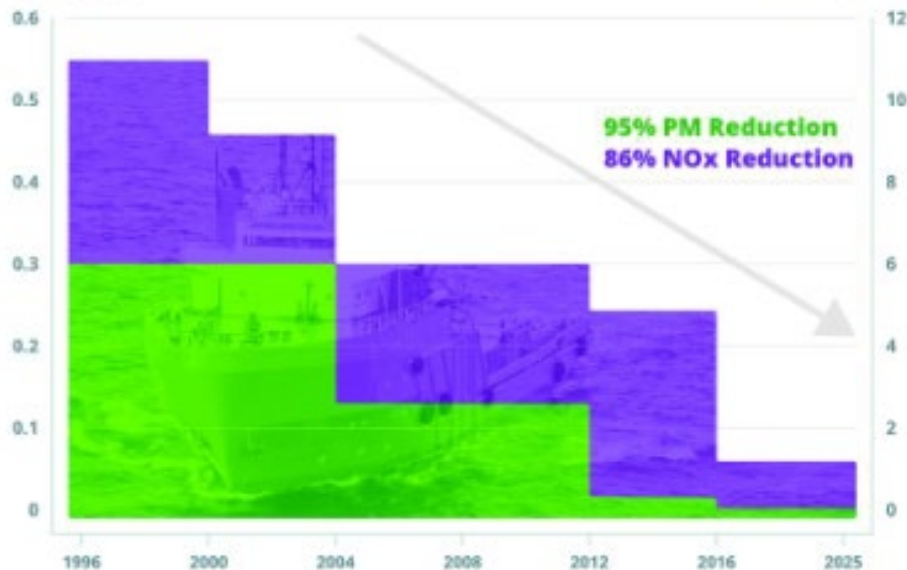
## CLEAN DIESEL PROGRESS

### Marine Workboats



PM (g/bhp-hr)

NOx (g/bhp-hr)



Source: U.S. EPA Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ)



### Workboats

Typically 2 propulsion engines with additional auxiliary engines



### Passenger Vessels

Large variety of vessel types with differing propulsion and auxiliary needs

# Opportunity: Major Clean Air & Fuel Saving Benefits of Large Engine Repowers

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- Tier 3, Tier 4 engine replacements yield substantial benefits
  - Workboat repower is similar to 96 dray truck replacements (30 tons NOx per year)
  - Switch locomotive repower is similar to 36 dray truck replacements (9 tons NOx per year)

Texas Emission Reduction Program = Large engine replacements are enormously cost effective



## The most cost-effective upgrades make the biggest health impact

New Tier 4 engines for tug boats reduce NOx emissions by 91%

The \$2.9 billion VW Environmental Mitigation Trust provides funding to upgrade older vehicles and equipment to rapidly reduce nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions, which contribute to hazardous smog pollution. Upgrading just one of the oldest, dirtiest tug boats is like taking tens of thousands

of passenger vehicles off the road per year, bringing substantial health benefits to at-risk communities. With states now deciding how to invest these funds, repowering these older vessels with cleaner Tier 4 engines is a game-changer for delivering immediate and cost-effective air quality benefits.

Upgrading  
an old tug boat with new  
Tier 4 engines removes

**30 tons of NOx/year<sup>1</sup>**

This is equivalent to



Replacing **96**  
drayage trucks<sup>2</sup>



OR



Removing  
**26,667**  
cars for 1 year<sup>3</sup>

**Upgrading old engines  
means cleaner air for all**

EPA estimates that by 2020, only 3% of tug boats will be replaced with cleaner Tier 4 engines. The VW Environmental Mitigation Trust provides a rare opportunity to retire the oldest diesel engines still in operation, which can last 50 years or longer. Tier 4 or Tier 3 engines will deliver cleaner, healthier air faster to at-risk communities. These new engines also improve fuel efficiency, which reduces CO<sub>2</sub> and black carbon emissions, two important greenhouse gas pollutants.

**Tug projects are  
a better value**



**1 ton of NOx reduction costs**



Other projects  
\$30,000<sup>4</sup>



Tier 4 tug  
engines \$5,000<sup>1</sup>



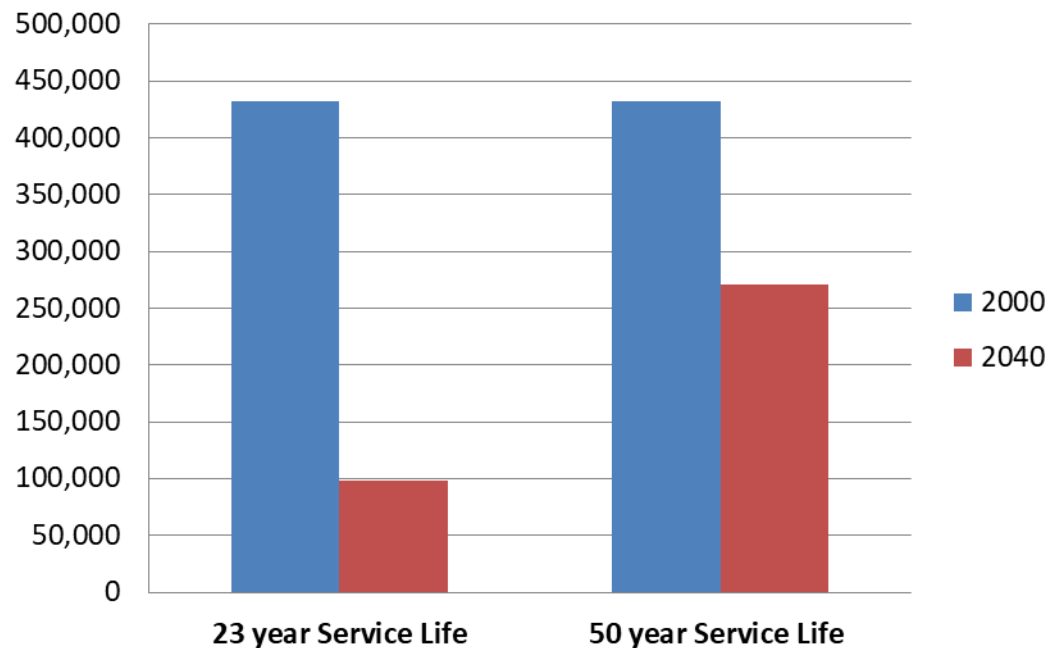
1. Ramboll, 2018, Emission reductions and cost effectiveness for marine and locomotive projects
2. EPA, 2016, National Port Strategy Assessment
3. Tier 2 car driven 15,000 miles per year
4. FHWA, 2015 CMAQ Cost-Effectiveness Report

## Research Results Confirm Cost<sup>15</sup> Effective Benefits From Large Engine Replacements

**1 ton of NOx  
eliminated = \$5,000**

# Marine Engines have Life Expectancy ~ 2X EPA Assumptions

NOx Reduction (tons) from Marine Vessels



**77% NOx  
Reduction**

**37% NOx  
Reduction**

Phase 2 Research Finding:  
Marine Engines have a service life 2X as EPA emission model assume (50 years as opposed to 23 years)

Why is this important? EPA emissions models overestimate anticipated benefits.

**Introducing new clean diesel engines should be a priority to to achieve modeled benefits.**

What if marine engines were replaced as quickly as EPA assumed?

**New York – New Jersey  
8 tons per day**



# But Wait... There's More... Emissions Reduction Opportunity multiplied From Advanced Biofuels

Biodiesel & Renewable Diesel fuel, what are they?

- *Advanced Biofuels* derived from waste animal fats & oils

## RENEWABLE DIESEL LOWERS GHG EMISSIONS BY 40-90%

Advanced renewable diesel fuels enhance performance and help achieve environmental, energy, climate and sustainability goals.



**Biodiesel** may be blended with petroleum diesel up to 20%

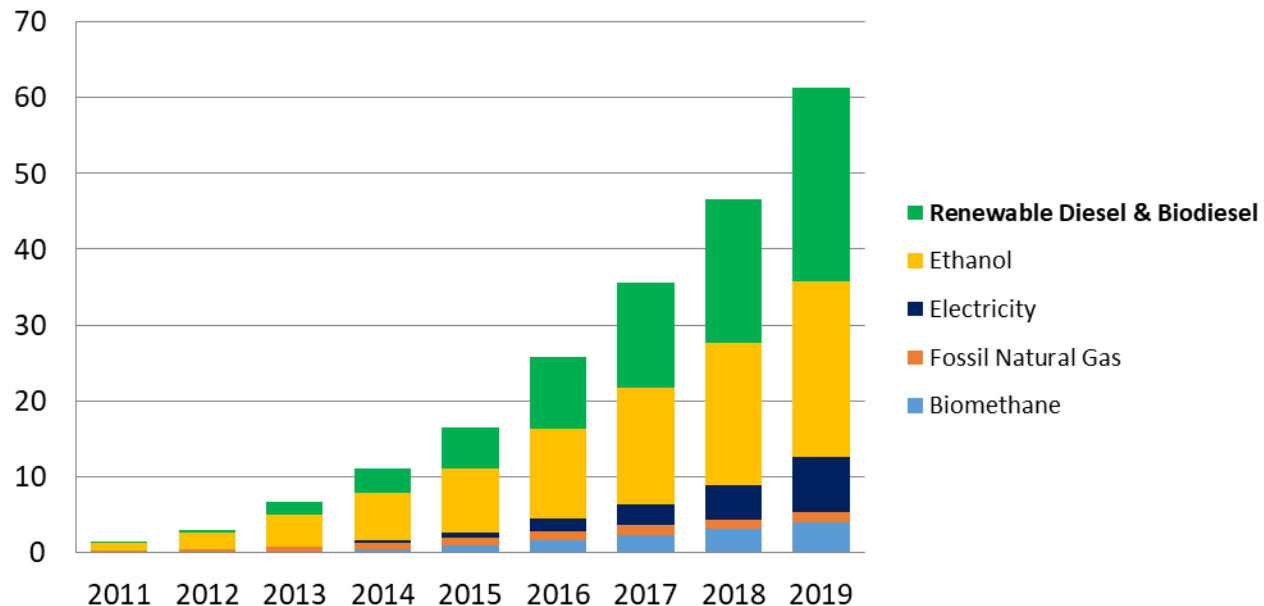
**Renewable diesel** fuel may be used as a 100% replacement fuel... actually meets the same engineering standard as petroleum diesel fuel

# Use of Biofuels magnifies clean air and climate benefits of diesel technology



## Cumulative CO2 Reductions (million tons)

SOURCE: California Energy Commission, Low Carbon Fuel Standard Dashboard



Of all the fuel types and technologies, biodiesel and renewable diesel are contributing the greatest CO<sub>2</sub> reductions in California... **and it takes a diesel engine to realize the benefits**

## California's Experience with Low Carbon Fuels

### Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduced (2011-2018)

**Renewable Diesel and Biodiesel** = 25.5 million tons

Battery-Electric = 7.2 million tons



# Diesel upgrades yield Texas-Sized Benefits to Texas Port Communities



**GET MONEY TO UPGRADE OR  
REPLACE YOUR TRUCK OR  
EQUIPMENT—AND CLEAR THE AIR!**

2019 TERP Grant Recipients

**5 Marine Vessel repower projects (Propulsion & Auxiliary)**

**\$4.5 million in Incentive funds to deliver 388  
tons of NOx reduction.**



**3 Vessel Repower Projects**

**10 propulsion engines**

**4 Auxiliary engines**

**86 tons NOX  
Reduction**

Learn More:

[https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/terp/reports/FY19\\_ERIG\\_Applications\\_Selected\\_for\\_Award\\_FOR\\_WEB\\_030119.pdf](https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/terp/reports/FY19_ERIG_Applications_Selected_for_Award_FOR_WEB_030119.pdf)

# Advanced Renewable Biofuels Reduce GHG and Other Emissions

What is 22,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>?



## *SF Bay ferry fleet floats toward renewable diesel*

Switching the entire fleet of ferries that serve San Francisco's waterfront to renewable diesel will reduce greenhouse gas emissions by more than 22,000 metric tons per year, according to officials.





## More About the Benefits of the *Enhydra*

### WorkBoat names its 2018 Boat of the Year

By David Krapf on NOVEMBER 29, 2018



The 2018 Boat of the Year was the *Enhydra*, a 600-passenger hybrid tour vessel built by **All American Marine** for **Red and White Fleet**...and it's a diesel electric hybrid.

Powered by two Tier 4 410-hp Cummins engines along with hybrid technology developed by BAE Systems



Hybridization for some applications yields further GHG and other emissions Benefits, fuel savings for operator



## Retire 8 Lake Erie Tugs Built Between 1897 and 1931 and replace with 4 Diesel-Hybrid Electric



“Ohio” = Twin Tier 3 MTU 1,000 HP propulsion engines  
Single John Deere 65kW Genset coupled with Hybrid systems for service power

Benefits Generated:



32 tons of NOx emissions reduce  
**353 tons of greenhouse gas emissions eliminated**

Learn More:

<https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2019-05/documents/ohio-ports-projects-2019-mcdi-mtg-19pp.pdf>

**Mix of VW Environmental Mitigation Trust & Diesel Emission Reduction Act Funds**



# Funding Opportunities Exist to Replace Large Engines through DERA and VW Settlement



32 projects | 9 States

**OHIO** – 4 vessel repowers to generate **32.7 tons** of NOx emission reductions per year

**CONNECTICUT** – 4 vessel repowers to generate **25.5 tons** of NOx emission reductions per year

**Washington State** – Converted the *Wenatchee* car ferry to diesel electric hybrid. Expected to contribute to half of the state's anticipated 3,000 tons of NOx emission reduction through VW funding opportunities.

# How to Get Big Benefits from Just a Few Projects



## Projects Funded with VW Opportunities

10 Commercial Vehicles ----- 2.75 tons NOx reduced

85 Trucks ----- 30.4 tons NOx reduced

179 School Buses ----- 33.1 tons NOx reduced

**4 Vessel Replacements ----- 32.7 tons NOx reduced**



# General Comments to the Clean Air Council

- Regarding the **Transportation Climate Initiative** we believe the state's "cap and invest" strategy embodied in the regional that presently excludes consideration of all non-electric alternatives should **be reconsidered and expanded to a fuel neutral approach**. Electrification of some aspects of the transportation system are envisioned but could be decades away from fruition. On the other hand, **diesel engines using low-carbon renewable biodiesel fuels can deliver substantial reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, up to 80 percent compared to conventional fuels, across the entire fleet of existing vehicles and fueling infrastructure.**

The opportunity to make meaningful reductions in carbon emissions from diesel-powered transportation sources of all kinds would be constrained by the current approach and **we encourage a more fuel and technology-neutral approach.**

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- The Port of New York and New Jersey's **truck replacement program is a success and should be boosted** in funding and expanded to continue aiding truck owners to invest in newer technology vehicles with lower emissions, that has accelerated clean air progress in the port and surrounding communities.
- We **support the state's efforts to step up enforcement against tampering with emissions controls** on diesel engines. It is important that we work together to raise awareness of the importance of ensuring emissions integrity and educate truck and vehicle owners about proper maintenance.

# Summing It All Up

Diesel is the Workhorse of New Jersey's Economy

The Latest Diesel Innovations Can Reduce Emissions from Marine Vessels

Marine Vessel Engines Are the Most Cost Effective Clean Air Investments for Port Communities

Near Port Communities Get Big Clean Air Benefits by Replacing Marine Engines– NOW !

Marine Engines and Vessels are Biofuel and Hybrid Ready to Deliver Big on Climate Benefits





# Thank you !

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**Additional Resources:**

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<https://www.dieselforum.org/new-jersey>

<https://www.dieselforum.org/largeengineupgrades>