

QUICK FACTS*

GRADE – Grants to Replace Aging Diesel Engines

PROGRAM OPEN/CLOSE DATE

Program opened on October 3rd 2023 and will accept applications through January 31, 2024

ELIGIBLE PROJECT TYPES

Heavy-duty diesel vehicle replacement projects

Any company or individual that owns and operates on-road heavy-duty diesel vehicles in the 8-county North & South Carolina Charlotte region is eligible to apply for funding to upgrade that equipment

MAXIMUM GRANT AMOUNT

Rebates up to 45% of the cost to replace heavy-duty diesel vehicles with ZEVs operating in the Charlotte region

FUNDING

\$175,000 in total funding available

SCRAPPAGE

Yes, scrappage of existing diesel heavy-duty vehicle is required to qualify for funding

LEASING

Leased vehicles do not qualify for funding

EVALUATION

Applications will be evaluated and processed on a first-come, first-served basis



EXISTING VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

Existing on-road vehicle must be EMY2017 or older

Existing vehicle must have at least 3 years of remaining useful life

Existing vehicle must have operated at least 75% of the time over the past year in the following counties: Cabarrus, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Union, and York (SC)

OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

New vehicle must continue to operate within the following counties:

Cabarrus, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Union, and York (SC)

[GRADE Funding Guidelines September 2023](#)

*Additional requirements may apply. For complete incentive requirements, please visit the link above.