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The Pennsylvania SBDC Environmental Management Assistance Program ([EMAP](#)) is pleased to provide this free newsletter to small businesses in Pennsylvania.

Funding News

Volkswagen Funds: Grants & Rebates Available

A new Pennsylvania grant and rebate program, [Driving PA Forward](#), will be funded by the \$118 million settlement with Volkswagen Group of America. This is PA's share of the settlement for allegations of cheating on U.S. EPA emissions tests. Eight grant and rebate programs will be available over the next five years, with as much as \$39 million available for disbursement in year one. Programs will be rolled out throughout 2018.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.

Clean Diesel Grant Program Opens May 19th

DEP is accepting grant applications to replace, repower, or retrofit fleet diesel-powered trucks, buses and other vehicles and equipment under the Pennsylvania State Clean Diesel Grant program. A portion of the funds available for the grants will be from the recently announced \$118 million settlement from Volkswagen. The application package, including guidance and application instructions, is available electronically on the DEP's Driving PA Forward [webpage](#). DEP will accept online applications until 4:00 PM on July 6, 2018.

[PA State Clean Diesel Grant Program Guidelines](#)

[PA State Clean Diesel Grant Program Application Instructions](#)

[eGrants Login Page](#)

Alternative Fuels Incentive Grant

[Alternative Fuel Incentive Grant](#) projects promote and build markets for advance, renewable and alternative energy transportation technologies. AFIG is currently offering three opportunities. [Learn More.](#)

Small Business Advantage Grant

DEP will hold a webinar on the grant program on June 6 from 10:30 to Noon. [Click Here](#) to register.

DEP Online AQ Search Tool

DEP's currently issued Title V and State-only Operating Permits are now available online.

Permits are searchable by region, county, municipality, NAICS, permit type, and facility name.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the search tool.

DEP eComment Portal

The Department of Environmental Protection provides open comment periods on drafted and proposed regulations so that Pennsylvania citizens and business owners may provide input. Check the [eComment Portal](#) periodically for updates.

The Small Business Advantage Grant provides 50% matching grants, up to a maximum of \$9,500 (\$7,000 for lighting-only upgrades), to enable Pennsylvania small businesses to purchase energy efficient or pollution prevention equipment or adopt waste reduction processes. DEP hopes to reopen the program in July.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the more details.

Regulatory Updates

Industrial Cleaning Solvent Regulations

New regulations intended to control VOC emissions from industrial cleaning operations could potentially impact many small businesses not already regulated elsewhere.

The rule is intended to reduce VOC emissions through amendments to existing surface coating regulations. The anticipated compliance date is September 1, 2018. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Need Assistance?

EMAP Can Help!

The Environmental Consultants at EMAP provide strictly confidential, no-cost assistance with:

- [Environmental Compliance](#)
- [Air Quality Regulations](#)
- [Greening your Business](#)
- [Preparing Permit Applications and Plans](#)



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