

(i) Consideration of opportunities for using fuels other than petroleum and natural gas, and

(ii) Consideration of using alternative, renewable energy sources.

(b) Compliance with the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section shall be documented as part of the Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement for projects which are subject to a requirement for one. Projects for which there is no environmental assessment or EIS shall document compliance by submission of appropriate material with the application for FTA assistance for actual construction.

(c) The cost of undertaking and documenting an energy assessment may be eligible for FTA participation if the requirements of Federal Management Circular 74-4 (A-87) are met.

(d) This requirement shall not apply to projects for which the final project application or environmental assessment have been submitted to FTA prior to October 1, 1980.

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§ 624.1 Eligible applicant.

(a) An eligible applicant is a designated recipient (designated recipient has the same meaning as in 49 U.S.C. 5307(a)(2)) in either an:

(1) Ozone and carbon monoxide non-attainment areas that have the specific classifications established by the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments [Public Law 101-549], or

(2) Ozone and carbon monoxide (CO) “maintenance” areas that, before they were redesignated to attainment by the

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), had these same classifications.

(b) The nonattainment classifications for ozone are “marginal,” “moderate,” “serious,” “severe,” and “extreme.” The nonattainment classifications for CO are “moderate” and “serious.”

§ 624.3 Eligible activities.

(a) Eligible activities include the purchase or lease of clean fuel buses and facilities, repowering or retrofitting buses to operate on clean fuels, and the improvement of existing facilities to accommodate clean fuel buses.

(b) The term “clean fuel vehicle” means a vehicle that—

(1) Is powered by —

(i) Compressed natural gas;

(ii) Liquefied natural gas;

(iii) Biodiesel fuels;

(iv) Batteries;

(v) Alcohol-based fuels;

(vi) Hybrid electric;

(vii) Fuel cells;

(viii) Clean diesel, to the extent allowed under this section; or

(ix) Other low or zero emissions technology; and

(2) The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency has certified sufficiently reduces harmful emissions.

(c) Eligible projects are the following:

(1) Purchasing or leasing clean fuel buses, including buses that employ a lightweight composite primary structure, and vans for use in revenue service. The purchase or lease of non-revenue vehicles is not an eligible project.

(2) Constructing or leasing clean fuel bus facilities or electrical recharging facilities and related equipment. Facilities and related equipment for clean diesel buses are not eligible.

(3) Improving existing mass transportation facilities to accommodate clean fuel buses.

(4) Repowering pre-1993 engines with clean fuel technology that meets the current urban bus emission standards. Repowering means the removal of an engine from a bus followed by the installation of another engine and applies to engines that are replaced with new, previously unused, engines as well as those exchanged from an inventory of rebuilt engines.