To: Recipients of Diesel Emission Reduction Grants for Vehicle/Engine Replacement Projects  
From: Carolyn Watkins, Administrator, Diesel Emission Reduction Grants  
Date: March 22, 2016  
Subject: Certificate of Engine/Chassis Destruction required for each replaced vehicle/engine

Federal law governing federal clean diesel grant funds used for replacement vehicles and engines requires that within 90 days of replacement, the old engine and chassis (where applicable) have been permanently disabled. Disabling the engine consists of cutting or punching a three inch by three inch (3” x 3”) hole in the engine block. Disabling the chassis consists of cutting completely through the frame/frame rails on each side of the vehicle/equipment at a point located between the front and rear axles. Photos of the disabled engine/chassis are required pursuant to the terms and conditions of the DERG award agreement. Any other scrappage method must be pre-approved by Ohio EPA in writing, and documentation of that destruction method must be supplied with this form.

Photo documentation must include JPEG images of the following, with corresponding file names:

1. Side profile of vehicle
2. VIN
3. Engine Label
4. Chassis rail cut in half
5. Engine block, prior to hole
6. Engine block, after hole
7. Others, as needed

Please note that the form requires an original signature from the dismantler and from the DERG Project Director or authorized representative of your company/agency as the owner of the vehicle. New vehicle purchases will not be reimbursed from DERG funds until complete documentation of the destruction of the corresponding replaced vehicle is submitted. This form is available on the DERG program Website, http://epa.ohio.gov/oee/EnvironmentalEducation.aspx#131364252-diesel-emission-reduction-grants .

If you have questions about this form or requirement, please contact carolyn.watkins@epa.ohio.gov or 614-644-3768.