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## **WEST COAST COLLABORATIVE**

A public-private partnership to reduce diesel emissions

Dear West Coast Collaborative Partners,

### **Several items for you today.**

#### **1) REMINDER TO REGISTER EARLY FOR THE 2017 GTSE!!!**

The Advanced Transportation Technology Center is hosting the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Green Transportation Summit and Expo. As part of the GTSE, there will be a ride-and-drive event on Wednesday, April 12 at the Portland International Raceway. Stay tuned for additional details!

**Early Registration** for the April 11-12, 2017 Green Transportation Summit and Expo is open until **February 15th!!!** West Coast Collaborative members get an additional discount.

We strongly encourage you to take advantage of early registration to participate in the 2-day event and associated performance ride and drive for \$199. When early registration ends, the fee increases to \$299. West Coast Collaborative members can take advantage of an additional \$50 off the early bird registration, reducing the cost to \$149. To take advantage of this offer, enter the code **wccgtse17** in the Blue box on the registration checkout page. You will see both the early bird and the WCC savings appear on the payment screen.

**Discounted room rates and additional conference information and registration can be found at the Green Transportation Summit & Expo site. The cutoff date for the reduced rate at the conference hotels (the Hotel Rose, Country Inn and Suites, and the Oxford Suites) is March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**

**NOTE: The VIP Reception is at the new Daimler Headquarters on Swan Island, available to the first 200 registered GTSE attendees. This is part of your conference registration. This takes place April 10 from 4:00-7:00 pm.**

[GTSE 2017 Flyer](#)

#### **2) Webinar 2/16: Solar+Storage Microgrid Project Funded by DER in American Samoa**

Join us to learn about a solar and battery storage project on the Island of Ta'u in American Samoa, a U.S. territory, funded by the West Coast Collaborative. EPA provided grant funds through the Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) state/territory program to help replace an old, dirty diesel generator, which was the sole source of electricity, with a solar+storage system and diesel generator only to be used

in emergencies. Little to no fossil fuel will now be used to provide electricity to Ta'u Island. This webinar will be held from noon-1 PM PST on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>; [register for this webinar here.](#)  
<http://www.cleangroup.org/webinar/american-samoa-microgrid/>

### **3) Additional Material**

- [List of articles and links](#) of potential interest to WCC members.
- [List of funding and training opportunities](#) around the United States.

**Regards,**

## **West Coast Collaborative Team**

### **[About the West Coast Collaborative \(WCC\)](#)**

The WCC, staffed by the US Environmental Protection Agency's (US EPA's) Pacific Southwest Region 9 and Pacific Northwest Region 10 Offices, protects public health by reducing diesel emissions and promoting clean air technologies and practices through public-private partnerships in Western North America. The Collaborative is an ambitious partnership between leaders from federal, state, local and tribal government, the private sector, and environmental groups committed to reducing diesel emissions along the West Coast. Our partners come from all over Western North America, including: California, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Arizona, Idaho, Nevada, Hawaii, Canada, Mexico, Asian Pacific regions, and Pacific Islands that include the Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), and the Territory of American Samoa. The Collaborative is focused on creating, supporting and implementing diesel emissions reductions projects by providing technical assistance and funding opportunities. Visit us at:

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