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[EPA helps utilities buy hybrid trucks](#)

SEATTLE — The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is giving a group of local governments \$250,000 to help defray the cost of 10 state-of-the-art hybrid electric utility trucks. The trucks cost \$1.7 million. International Harvester built the chassis and engines of the trucks; Eaton Corp. built the hybrid components. The governments getting the EPA grant — which include the cities of Seattle, Tacoma, Kent, Richland, Bremerton and Everett — will pay for most of the cost of the trucks. EPA Administrator Stephen Johnson will appear at a ceremony today in Georgetown to award the clean diesel grant. The event will take place at 1 p.m. at the King County Fleet Maintenance Facility, 707 S. Orcas St.