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Memorandum

To: State Agencies, Colleges and Universities, Cooperative Purchasing Members
ATTEN: Chief Fiscal Officers, Agency Procurement Officials,
From: Joseph A. Giddis
Date: August 12, 2005
Subject: **Act 2322 of 2005—Vehicle Purchasing Plan to Reduce Fuel consumption**

References: Act 2322 of 2005, An Act to Amend Arkansas Code Section 19-11-217 to Require the Development of a Vehicle Purchasing Plan to Reduce Fuel Consumption
United State Code 42, USC Section 13211; The Public Health and Welfare, Alternative Fuels, Definitions Act 493 of 1983

Purpose: Develop and implement a plan for all state agencies acquiring vehicles that will reduce the overall annual petroleum consumption of those state agencies by at least ten percent (10%) by January 1, 2009.

A State-wide, mandatory hybrid vehicle contract will be awarded not later than September 1, 2005. The contract will be available through the OSP web site at http://www.arkansas.gov/dfa/procurement/pro_index.html. The contract will be available for all members of the Cooperative Purchasing program. The Office of State Procurement will report the difference between the cost of purchase of alternative fueled vehicles and comparable conventionally-fueled vehicles.

State agencies should review their vehicle requirements and consider substituting cars for light trucks where appropriate (see page 2, line 15 of Act 2322/05). Agencies will be asked to report the number and type of light trucks eliminated or considered for elimination. Reports of progress will be due as of March 31 of each year.

The Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Information Services will provide the total number of alternative fueled vehicles in use by each agency and the maintenance and operation of alternative fueled vehicles and comparable conventionally-fueled vehicles. The reporting period is April 1 to March 31 of each year.

State agency is not defined in Act 2322 of 2005. For purposes of implementation, State agency is defined at section 19-11-203 (30) (A).

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