

## **ACTION ALERT:**

**Support EPA's medium/heavy duty vehicles GHG rule, Environmental Defense Fund. Comments are due 1/31. Folks are more than welcome to recycle from this.**

Dear [ ]

With just one click of your mouse, you can help save 500 million barrels of oil, cut 250 million metric tons of carbon dioxide pollution, and produce \$41 billion in net economic benefits.

**Please take action today:** Support EPA's first-ever climate pollution and fuel economy standards for freight trucks and buses. **The deadline for comments is Monday, January 31st**, so make sure your voice is heard.

### **Background**

Last October, the EPA and the Department of Transportation (DOT) issued a joint proposal to adopt America's first-ever climate pollution and fuel economy standards for freight trucks and buses.

These vehicles – from the largest pickups to 18-wheelers – use more than 100 million gallons of oil per day. They are also responsible for about 20% of the climate pollution from America's transportation sector.

The new standards, which will apply to trucks and buses manufactured in model years 2014 to 2018, will help strengthen our economy, increase our national security and reduce dangerous air pollution. By 2030, the volume of projected daily oil savings from the proposed standards would be large enough to **offset America's oil imports from Iraq**.

This proposal follows two previous actions by EPA and DOT to improve fuel efficiency and climate pollution standards for passenger cars and trucks.

The first announcement was in April, when the Obama administration adopted the first-ever national greenhouse gas emission standards for model year 2012-2016 cars and light trucks. The second announcement came in October with the announcement of a blueprint for new standards for model years 2017 to 2025.

These new standards will cut pollution and reduce our dependence on foreign oil. But they will also create jobs by increasing demand for the innovative technologies that make trucks and buses more efficient, including hybrid electric engines. The U.S. virtually owns the global market on these technologies in the medium- and heavy-vehicle categories.

Please support these new standards by **submitting your comments to the EPA**.



**Please add your comments in support of new fuel economy and pollution standards for trucks and buses.**

The public comment period ends January 31st, so add yours now.

Thank you for your activism and support,

Environmental Defense Fund

P.S. We know the EPA takes these public comments very seriously and will adjust their policies depending on the feedback they receive. So, please make sure to [submit your comments today](#).