

1. Application Process & Evaluation

- **Q:** Are applications evaluated on a first-come, first-served basis?
 - **A:** For Measure 2.1 and 3 applications submittal order is taken into consideration alongside prioritization based upon equipment age, usage, cost, and location to meet program emission reduction goals. Measure 1 applications will be ranked according to the criteria detailed in the Program Announcement.
- **Q:** Can a single applicant apply for multiple units?
 - **A:** Yes, but not all may be funded. Multiple units (projects) can be entered into a single application, please select “Add Project” in the application. It is suggested to limit each application to 6-12 projects, there is a field regarding primary application which will allow you to link your applications.
- **Q:** When will applicants be notified of awards?
 - **A:** For applications that are complete, Q1 2026 is the anticipated timeline for applicants to be notified of awards.
- **Q:** Can applications be submitted before utility letters are ready?
 - **A:** Yes, with documentation showing that the letter is in process. Additionally utility distribution planning process tools, showing the capacity of the utility distribution circuits and substations can be submitted as supporting document until an official utility letter can be provided.
- **Q:** Can applications be submitted without all documentation completed?
 - **A:** Yes, the application may be submitted without all documentation completed. In lieu, please provide a statement of when the documentation will be ready for submittal. When application submittal order is taken into consideration, incomplete applications will be considered by the date the application is deemed complete by evaluator.
- **Q:** Is there a deadline for deploying projects after executing the grant agreement?
 - **A:** All projects must be deployed and operational by March 2028. To ensure all projects meet the March 2028 timeline, South Coast AQMD will provide milestone dates in the Grant Agreement detailing a deadline for deploying BE units. Measure 1 infrastructure project timeline should demonstrate that projects can be commissioned by March 2028.

- **Q:** Does the dealer need to be prequalified or preauthorized to facilitate the transaction?
 - **A:** No, the dealer does not have to be prequalified or preauthorized. However, equipment purchased for Measure 1 must meet Build America Buy America minimum requirements.
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2. Measure 1 – Charging Infrastructure

- **Q:** Are there restrictions on the usage of funded infrastructure?
 - **A:** Yes, measure 1 is intended to assist electrification of the On-Road goods movement industry. The infrastructure must be designated and primarily used for goods movement on-road vehicles only. For example, a charging station for school buses, yard goats, CHE, or transit vehicles would not be eligible.
- **Q:** Are there equipment requirements?
 - **A:** Yes, equipment for Measure 1 must be Build America Buy America (BABA) compliant. For additional information please see resources [INVEST CLEAN - BABA RESOURCES](#). The charger must be a direct current fast charger (DCFC) with a minimum charging rate of 250 kW. All charger port head types are eligible.
- **Q:** For installation costs, what makes an installation cost eligible for the rebate?
 - **A:** Only costs for the direct installation of the charger are eligible.
- **Q:** Can Rule 29 submission documentation substitute for a utility letter?
 - **A:** Yes, if it includes a timeline and submission proof.
- **Q:** Can a utility letter come from a non-SCE provider?
 - **A:** Yes, if they have jurisdiction over the circuit.
- **Q:** Can the incentive pay for behind the meter (utility side of the meter) equipment or installation costs?
 - **A:** No. INVEST CLEAN cannot pay for any equipment or installation work at the utility side of the meter.

- **Q:** Can a 360kW charger with 3 ports qualify? If a charger outputs 120kW to 3 vehicles simultaneously but can charge one at 360kW, is it eligible?
 - **A:** Yes, this project example is eligible to apply even if each port is only capable of charging speed of >250 kW when the other 2 ports are not being used. However the project will be funded at the maximum simultaneous output power, which in this case is 360 kW. The maximum award amount in this example will be \$700/kW x 360 kW.
- **Q:** The state of CA is in the process of implementing AB 2061 which imposes reliability and data requirements for publicly funded charging stations. Will these regulations apply to stations funded through this solicitation?
 - **A:** Charging stations that receive public State funding such as Carl Moyer or CEC programs are subject to AB 2061 and must comply with the reliability, data tracking and reporting as specified by the CEC. INVEST CLEAN is a federally funded program with its own data collection requirements, so unless the project is co-funded with State grants, the charging infrastructure rebate recipient does not have to abide by AB 2061 requirements.

3. Measure 2 – Class 8 Trucks

- **Q:** Can utility vehicles, transit vehicles, or municipal vehicles qualify?
 - **A:** No, the program is for goods movement vehicles only.
- **Q:** Can equipment be delivered before the agreement is signed?
 - **A:** No. Doing so disqualifies the project.
- **Q:** Can leased equipment qualify?
 - **A:** The applicant must be the owner of the retiring vehicle and must take ownership of the replacement vehicle, a leased vehicle is not allowed as a replacement vehicle.

4. Measure 3 – Cargo Handling Equipment

- **Q:** What warranty is required for Measure 3 trucks?
 - **A:** A 3-year full truck warranty.

- **Q:** Can leased replacement equipment qualify?
 - **A:** The applicant must take ownership of the replacement vehicle, a leased vehicle is not allowed as a replacement vehicle.
 - **Q:** Is DOORS registration mandatory for measure 3 equipment?
 - **A:** Yes, both the retiring and replacement unit must be DOORS registered unless the equipment is at a port or intermodal railyard.
 - **Q:** Are forklifts eligible under Measure 3?
 - **A:** No, with this current solicitation only yard trucks and top handlers are eligible.
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