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No-Idle Policy on Company/Agency Property

Statement of Purpose

This policy seeks to reduce air pollution and individual exposure to vehicle exhaust by discouraging unnecessary idling of vehicles on property owned, operated, or managed by XXX.

Background

Air pollution, particularly ground-level ozone and fine particulate matter, is an immediate and on-going concern in the Treasure Valley of Idaho. It impacts citizen health, economic growth, and quality of life. Vehicle exhaust, including exhaust from idling vehicles, contributes significantly to air pollution in the Treasure Valley.

Statement of Policy

Drivers are advised to turn off vehicles when parked on property owned, operated, or managed by XXX and not re-start vehicles until necessary to depart. This policy applies to all vehicles, including vehicles owned and operated by XXX, vehicles operated by employees of XXX, vehicles delivering goods and services to XXX, and vehicles operated by customers/visitors of/to XXX.

XXX shall notify its customers and visitors of this policy by:

- (1) Posting "Turn Off Your Engine/No Idle Zone" street signs where they can be easily seen by vehicles parked at XXX. (Available from DEQ)
- (2) Posting "Turn Off Your Engine/No Idle Zone" posters and window stickers, as appropriate, on the premises. (Available from DEQ)
- (3) Providing literature on the benefits of not idling. (Available from DEQ)
- (4) Including this message in mailings, newsletters, bill inserts, and other customary means of communicating with customers and visitors.

Exemptions

The request that a driver turn off a vehicle and refrain from idling does not apply for the period or periods during which idling is necessary under the following circumstances:

- (1) To provide for the safety of vehicle occupants, such as in cases of extreme hot or cold conditions (e.g., to run the air conditioner or heater under extreme heat or cold).
- (2) To use lift equipment or other equipment necessary to accommodate individuals with one or more disabilities.
- (3) When specific traffic, safety, or emergency situations arise.

In any of the above exemption cases, if equipment can be run from the battery, drivers should refrain from idling unless there is a significant concern of draining the battery.

Implementation

This policy shall be effective immediately from the date of signature.

Dated the XXX day of XXX, 20XX.

Signature