

The Port of Virginia's clean engine program

The Port of Virginia Green Operator Program provides funds to replace older vehicles with ones with more emission-efficient engines and recognizes partners for achieving goals that reduce air pollution and greenhouse gases associated with the transport of cargo through The Port of Virginia.

# **IMPORTANT:** Do not scrap your truck until instructed to do so.

Proof that the truck to be replaced is 'operable', and thus deemed eligible to be replaced, is required at the beginning of the application process. Once a truck is deemed eligible to be replaced, a Rebate Certificate will be issued allowing the applicant to continue with the process. Please note that if the truck is scrapped or disabled prior to receiving a Rebate Certificate or prior to receiving authorization from Program Staff to scrap, that truck is no longer eligible to participate in the program.

Participants are encouraged to scrap the truck at a commercial truck yard. For those applicants that prefer to scrap the truck themselves, the work must be witnessed by program staff and the owner must provide a copy of a salvage title along with the scrappage photos.

For questions about scrappage, contact Ed Mihalski at 240-205-5368 or emihalski@ecologixgroup.com.

## I. How to Scrap Your Truck

Vehicle scrapping is an important step in this program and must be done according to program requirements which use US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidelines.

## **Truck Destruction Requirements**

Vehicle engines need to be permanently disabled and rendered no longer usable.

## To destroy the engine:

Drill or cut a minimum 3 inch diameter hole through the engine block. The engine block may be crushed at the scrapyard with a shearing tool.

## To destroy the chassis:

Cut or shear both the chassis rails between the two axles.

The truck must arrive at the scrapyard with the chassis attached and the engine intact. It is very important that you **do not remove anything** from the truck except for personal items. The program cannot process the rebate until the scrappage is satisfactorily completed and photographed.

## Failure to comply with scrappage instructions will result in the denial of your rebate funds.

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- I) Before photos,
- 2) After photos,
- 3) A copy of the receipt from the scrap yard for scrappage, and
- 4) A photocopy of the front of the check or register receipt for any payment from the scrapped truck.

\*Important: Take your title with you to the scrapyard.

# **Step-by-Step Instructions**

## **Before Photos**

Take a series of "before" photos of the truck.

- I) Vehicle (side view)
- 2) Vehicle engine (allow some of the truck color to show in this shot)
- 3) Intact chassis (allow some of the truck color to show in this shot)
- 4) Vehicle Identification Number (VIN #) plate
- 5) Engine plate showing the engine serial number

## After Photos

After the engine and chassis have been permanently disabled, you will need to take "after" photos of the scrapped truck showing the following:

- Engine destruction at least two shots (the more photos the better) that are close-up from different angles, and another photo back a few feet showing that the engine block has been drilled or sheared (with a little of the truck color showing in the photos).
- 2) Area of the cut chassis a close up of the cut (show a little of the color of the truck), and another photo a little further back from the truck.

This will document that the truck has been disabled. See photos below of disabled engine and chassis.

Photos should be sent electronically to Ed Mihalski, emihalski@ecologixgroup.com at the time of destruction to help expedite the rebate request process.

#### Receipt

The scrapping company will issue a receipt to the owner/operator with the following information:

- 1) Name and contact information of the scrapping company;
- 2) Written description of the truck destroyed (make, year), VIN # of scrapped truck;
- 3) Date and method of destruction; and
- 4) Amount paid for scrappage, if any. Photocopy of the front of the check or register receipt from the scrapyard.

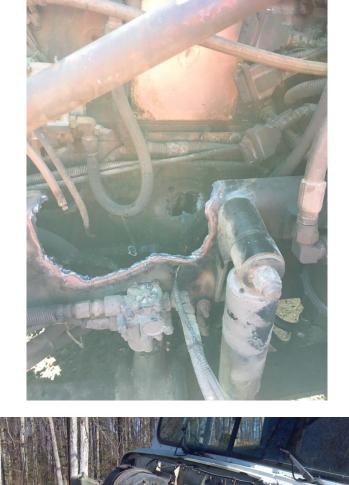
#### Photos Examples

See scrappage photos on the following pages for examples of good engine destruction and documentation.

Any questions relating to the destruction or scrappage requirements should be directed to Ed Mihalski at emihalski@ecologixgroup.com or 240-205-5368.



Scrappage Information





Example of visible destruction of the engine block





Example of chassis cut in half



Example of chassis completely cut

# 2. Scrap Yards

State	Scrapyard	Address	Contact Information
Virginia	Empire Recycling of Carrollton		Steve Motts 757-406-3463
			Carrollton Location 757-238-8991
Delaware	B & F Towing	449 Old Airport Rd., New	Henry Fenimori
	_	Castle, DE 19720	302-328-4146
Maryland	LKQ Corporation	29368 Matthewstown Rd.,	David Milliken
-	(Offers free towing services)	Easton, MD 21601	410-713-5282



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Applicants can use a scrap yard of their choice, but they MUST contact Ed Mihalski at 240-205-5368 or <u>emihalski@ecologixgroup.com</u> so he can review required documentation.

This list of vendors is provided for your convenience only. The Port of Virginia has not evaluated any vendor in connection with the Green Operator program, does not recommend or endorse any vendor, and does not vouch for the accuracy of the information provided in this list.

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## **Investing Public Funds / Maintaining Public Trust**

Intentional falsification of information provided by an applicant with the specific intent to avoid meeting any aspect of the program's requirements may lead to the individual being prosecuted to the extent allowed under law and may be used as an adverse factor in regards to future applications for rebate awards.

The Virginia Port Authority is committed to the integrity of the program and encourages reporting of any known concerns involving any aspect of the program especially related to suspected fraudulent activity. Visit <a href="https://www.oig.dot.gov/hotline">https://www.oig.dot.gov/hotline</a> for more information on suspected fraud.

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