



NATIONAL IDLING REDUCTION NETWORK NEWS

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OTHER NEWS OF INTEREST

Idling Guidance "Straight from the Horse's Mouth"

Idle-Free VT now has a downloadable source for some vehicle owner's manuals available at Edmunds.com. Many of these manuals recommend avoiding excessive idling for reasons of engine wear and fuel waste, both for cold and warmed-up vehicles. The Idle-Free VT website and Idling Facts page now have prominent links to the

owner's manual page (<http://idlefreevt.org/manuals.index.html>); sample manual pages highlight idling information for certain 2009 models. According to the Idle-Free VT website, "Advice from vehicle manufacturers, straight from the 'horse's mouth,' is an effective way to change motorist's idling behavior."

RECURRING FEATURES

How to Find Back Issues of National Idling Reduction Network News

If you are a new subscriber or have misplaced an issue of the newsletter, you may find all issues at http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/resources/fcvt_national_idling.html. Additionally, a compendium of all previous issues now resides on the site; this pdf file is especially useful for conducting searches of *all* issues of the newsletter.

Please be mindful that web links may expire or move over time and some sources require registration. If you have trouble opening a link, try copying and pasting it, or retype it in the address box of your browser.

Tools Now Available to Calculate Cost of Idling Reduction Equipment

Among the tools available to workplace and truck fleet managers, owner-operators, and locomotive engineers are calculators to help determine the cost and benefits of installing and paying for idling

reduction equipment. Included also is a site from Canada that quantifies the costs of workplace idling. Here are a few sites that might be of benefit to you. Any new entry this month is shown in red.

- Argonne National Laboratory (<http://www.transportation.anl.gov/pdfs/TA/361.pdf>)
- Autotherm (http://www.autothermusa.com/idle_calc.html)