

**SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN AQMD
MOBILE SOURCE SECTION**

**6/21/2016 Program Advisory –
Buy America Waiver Requirements**

Effective immediately, the Sacramento Emergency Clean Air Transportation (SECAT) Program will change the eligibility requirements for replacement trucks to comply with a waiver from the Buy America requirements associated with the use of federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding.

All replacement vehicles funded under SECAT must have a final point of assembly in the United States of America. This requirement applies to both new and used vehicles. Participants must confirm the final point of assembly before purchasing the replacement vehicle and submit proof to the SECAT Program to ensure payment.

SECAT cannot reimburse any trucks assembled outside the United States and will not issue any waivers or exemptions to this requirement. Any replacement trucks determined to be assembled outside the United States will be denied funding. Participants are advised to contact the vehicle manufacturer to confirm the assembly location of their new vehicle or to check the VIN of any potential used replacement vehicle to determine if it was assembled in the United States.

Vehicles with a VIN beginning with 1, 4 or 5 have a final point of assembly in the United States of America and are eligible for SECAT funding. Most vehicle manufacturers have the ability to assemble new vehicles in the United States, although availability of specific models may be limited. The SECAT Program cannot guarantee that a specific vehicle type or configuration will be eligible or approved.

Because the Buy America requirement is part of federal law, this procedure applies under Section 3.21 of existing SECAT Participant Agreements. Participants with executed agreements must fully comply with this advisory.

If you have questions regarding this advisory, please contact Kristian Damkier at (916) 874-4892 or kdamkier@airquality.org.