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ADEM Funding Supports Reduction in Diesel Emissions

MONTGOMERY - The Alabama Department of Environmental Management is partnering with Vulcraft Carrier Corporation in Fort Payne to utilize funding under the Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) to reduce diesel emissions and improve air quality. ADEM has been awarded funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the State Clean Diesel Program and has chosen to apply those funds in areas that are exceeding, or are close to exceeding, the National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

Vulcraft utilizes a fleet of diesel vehicles to transport its products and the facility has agreed to install devices on some of those vehicles in order to reduce diesel emissions. After providing a 50 percent match for the project, Vulcraft will utilize approximately \$50,500 of the DERA grant to retrofit 10 of its diesel vehicles with auxiliary power units. These auxiliary units will assist in reducing air emissions by reducing the amount of time the larger, main engines spend idling.

This project will assist in reducing the emission of particulate matter and nitrogen oxides, both of which have been identified as criteria pollutants. Vulcraft has agreed to have the project completed by August 31, 2013.

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