REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN BOARD POLICY

POLICY: Anti-Idling for RDOS Fleet Vehicles

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POLICY STATEMENT

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) endeavours to build a sustainable community through environmental stewardship.

PURPOSE

The RDOS is committed to reduce unnecessary vehicle idling as a means of reducing air pollution, harmful greenhouse gas emissions and fuel expense.

DEFINITIONS

"Idle" means the state in which vehicle engine is running but is not in gear.

"Operator" means any Regional District employee or Director that operates a Regional District vehicle.

PROCEDURES

No operator of an RDOS fleet vehicle shall permit the engine of that vehicle to idle for more than three (3) consecutive minutes except as provided in under the "Exemptions" listed below.

Exemptions:

This policy shall not apply when:

- a) A vehicle is forced to remain motionless because of traffic;
- b) The primary propulsion engine of a vehicle is providing a power source necessary for operations other than propulsion;
- c) The primary propulsion engine of a vehicle is being operated at idle to conform to manufacturers warm up and cool down specifications, for maintenance or diagnostic purposes, or by manufacturer's engaging the engines in testing for research and development.