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# In-Use HD Diesel Testing Program

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### Overview

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## Purpose

- Establish 1<sup>st</sup> ever on-highway HD in-use compliance presence
  - Monitor NTE compliance per the Consent Decrees
  - Screen for defeat devices per 1998 manufacturer guidance
- Learn how to implement the NTE as a compliance tool
- Can monitor impact of AECDs

# FY01 Program - Testing Process

- 1999 model year and later
  - one truck per family to canvass the fleet
  - limited follow-up of NTE exceedences
- Selections limited to engines with Engine Control Modules that gather speed/load data
- Trucks are outfitted with ROVER, then tested during actual in-use service when possible
- NOx results compared to NTE limits/screening thresholds



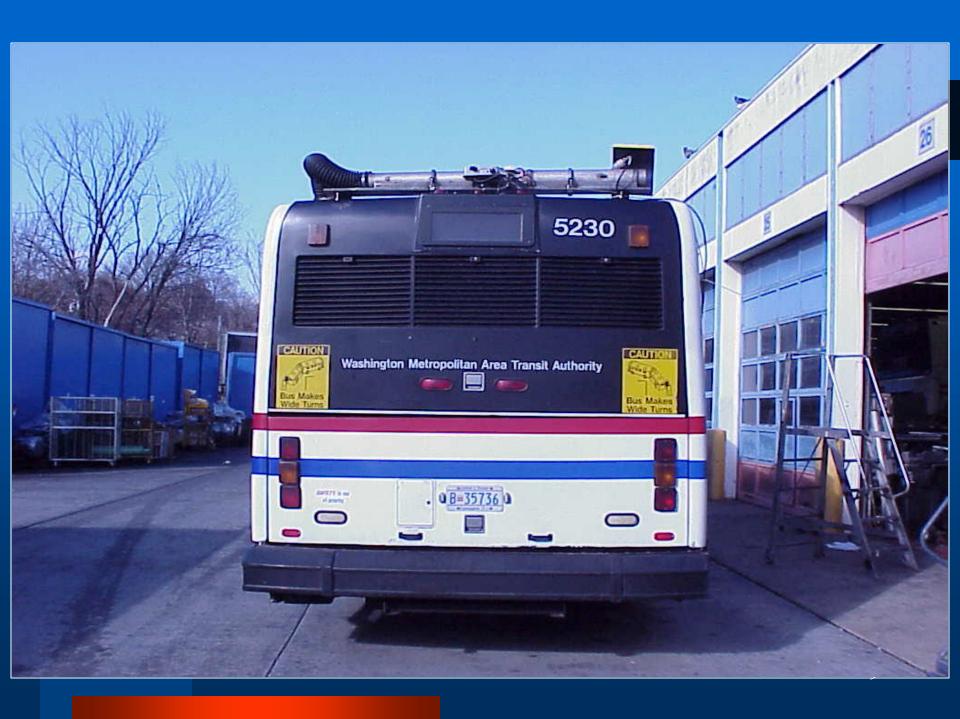


# FY01 Program - Procurement

- In-Use Team procures trucks from private companies, government agencies, and truck rental facilities
- Examples of ways vehicles are identified:
  - Vehicle registration data provided by VA, MD, DC, PA, and DE, together with National Insurance Crime Bureau VIN decoder information
  - Calls/letters to well-known businesses and trucking fleets
  - GSA data showing government vehicle purchases
  - Web searches
  - Engine manufacturers supplied top sales information
- Army's Aberdeen Test Center (ATC) sets up ROVER and conducts on-road testing through an Interagency Agreement (IAG)





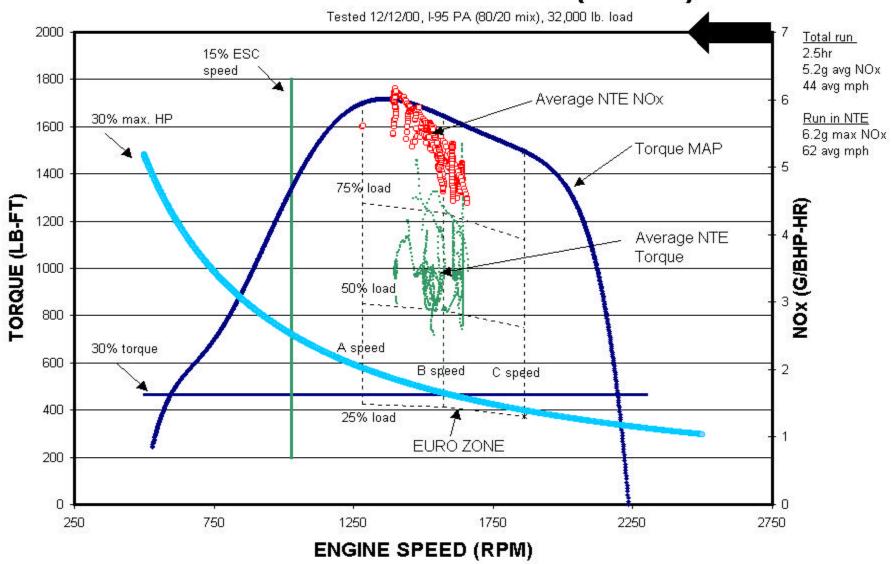




# FY01 Program - Results

- Tested 57 trucks from 41 engine families
- Procured trucks from private industry and government agencies without incentives
- \$3,500 average per test -- about 1/7
   the cost of a laboratory dyno test

#### NTE NOx - ENGINE #4 (HHDD)

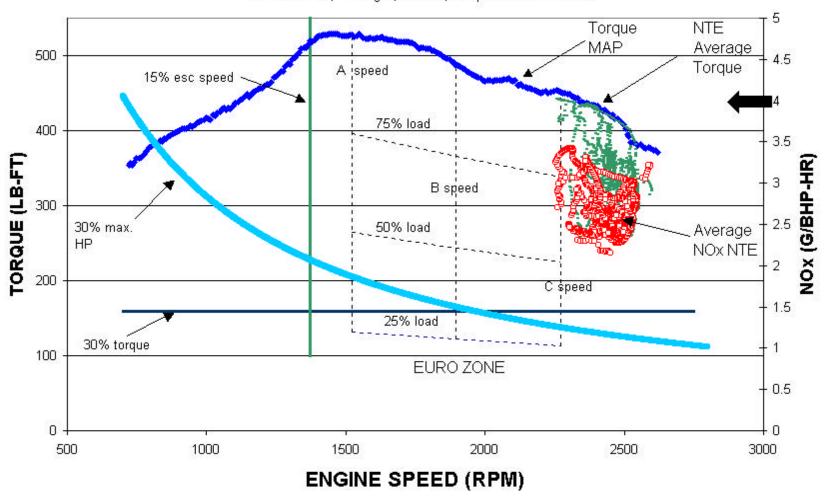


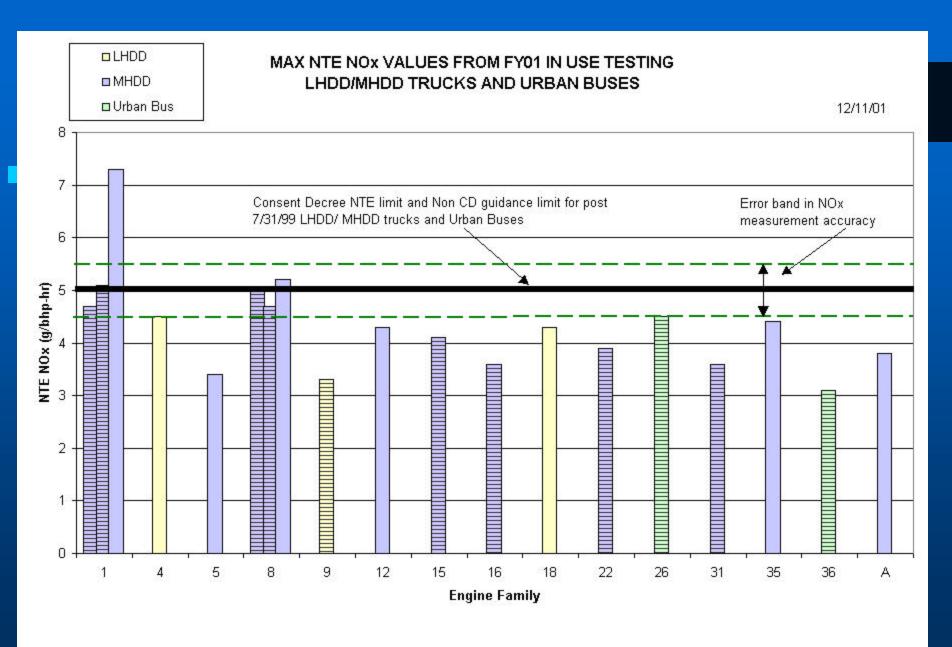
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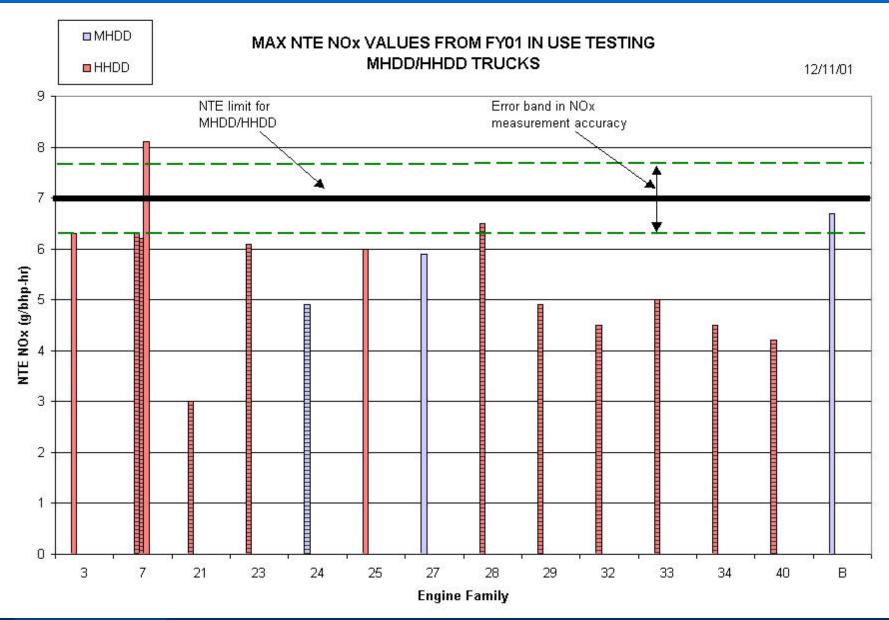
#### NTE NOx - ENGINE #9 (MHDD)

Run in NTE 3.4g max NOx 59 avg mph

Tested 1/30/01, 75 deg-F, I 95 DE, dump truck w/ sand load







### Initial Conclusions

- NTE and portable sampling systems makes HD on-road testing feasible
- NTE captures mostly interstate operation
  - Captures worst-case NOx
  - Obscure operation not an issue
  - Complements FTP, EURO
- Program has grabbed industry's attention

### 2002 Program

- Additional follow-up of FY01 NTE exceedences
- Continue focus on Consent Decree engines
- More in-depth testing focused on fewer families
- Test under varied environmental and operational conditions
  - Varying altitude, temperature, loads, drivers etc
- Pilot program for HD non road engines

### 2002 Program

- In Use Data will be used to...
  - Ensure manufacturers meet consent decree requirements
  - Screen for defeat devices
  - Observe the impact of AECDs over various conditions
  - Support future rulemaking

## 2002 Program

- "Marathon" Test
  - Class 8 truck equipped with ROVER traveling from Maryland to Arizona
  - Approximately 100 hours of data to be collected
  - Will be able to observe the effect of varied environmental and operational conditions over 5,000 mile trip
  - Regional, State, City and County agencies will observe/participate in testing in Tucson and Phoenix