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Dear Agency Heads,

Minnesota's SmartFleet Committee is pleased to report that agencies continue to increase their use of E85 fuel in state vehicles. During the first three quarters of calendar year 2010, E85 use reached 724,827 gallons – a 10-fold increase over the same period in 2005.

State agencies are also close to 1 million gallons in annual E85 use, with 940,000 gallons used in the past year (Oct. 1, 2009-Sept. 30, 2010).

Our goal is to get to 1 million gallons for the 2010 calendar year. With your help, we can do it. ***Please support this “Million-Gallon Challenge” by directing vehicle operators to use E85 whenever it is available.***

Agencies currently operate approximately 2,500 flex-fuel vehicles that can use E85 fuel, and there are more than 350 [E85 retailers](#) across the state. Most E85 vehicles are marked with fuel door decals identifying E85 as the fuel of choice. If there is any question concerning fuel compatibility, please contact your agency fleet office or Admin's Fleet Services Division.

Attached is the fleet retail fuel report for the first three quarters of calendar year 2010. This report shows that state agencies together are using 17.5 percent E85 fuel and 82.5 percent petroleum-based gasoline in state vehicles. The report provides a summary of the fleet fuel purchases, by agency, through the state fuel card program. Please share this report with the operating divisions of your agency.

Executive Order 04-10 calls for Minnesota state government to reduce the quantity of petroleum fuels consumed in transportation. Using E85 fuel instead of gasoline will help move the state toward accomplishing this goal and achieving the “Million-Gallon Challenge.”

If you have any questions, please contact any member of the SmartFleet Committee. You can also follow the state's progress toward meeting the “Million-Gallon Challenge” at www.twitter.com/MnE85, which will include weekly updates on fuel use.

Thank you very much.

Timothy Morse
Chair, SmartFleet Committee

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State of Minnesota Calendar Year 2010 Fuel Data - Retail Purchases

Fleet Council - SmartFleet Committee January - September 2010

Governmental Unit	E85 Percentage	E85 Gallons	Gasoline Gallons	Diesel Gallons
Higher Education	82.0%	588	129	0
Agriculture	43.6%	42,516	55,040	885
Governor's Office	42.1%	823	1,131	0
Revenue	34.3%	4,816	9,215	79
Mediation Services	34.2%	1,675	3,216	12
Transportation	33.3%	319,102	640,211	957,154
Enterprise Technology	32.1%	1,394	2,945	42
Health	26.5%	19,240	53,300	327
DEED	26.4%	6,703	18,672	104
Corrections	24.9%	60,894	184,072	23,112
Commerce	21.3%	6,582	24,388	12,725
Pollution Control	20.2%	14,266	56,450	767
Education	15.5%	991	5,387	0
Other Governmental Units	15.3%	48,163	267,009	18,539
Labor and Industry	15.2%	8,044	44,708	43
Human Services	13.4%	49,051	315,757	10,683
Military Affairs	13.4%	822	5,323	0
Housing Finance	12.1%	456	3,323	0
Public Safety	10.5%	112,760	965,303	6,616
Iron Range Resources	5.2%	178	3,279	3,118
Administration	5.0%	1,028	19,345	3,765
Natural Resources	3.3%	24,582	722,855	191,479
Veterans Affairs	1.0%	155	15,032	7,342
Totals:	17.5%	724,827	3,416,090	1,236,792

State of Minnesota - Other Governmental Units Calendar Year 2010 Fuel Data - Retail Purchases

Fleet Council - SmartFleet Committee January - September 2010

Governmental Unit	E85 Percentage	E85 Gallons	Gasoline Gallons	Diesel Gallons
Faribault Academies	75.3%	1,685	553	0
Barber and Cosmetology	65.4%	701	370	0
Animal Health	46.9%	12,974	14,699	667
Lottery	46.3%	14,672	17,008	659
Indian Affairs	41.0%	286	412	54
Teachers Retirement	28.1%	42	107	0
Other	19.9%	540	2,174	0
Judicial	18.3%	2,666	11,870	14
Water and Soil Resources	11.8%	1,361	10,220	0
Emergency Medical Services	9.5%	174	1,661	0
MNSCU	6.0%	12,688	198,867	17,145
Historical Society	5.0%	352	6,732	0
Board of Water & Soil	1.6%	22	1,353	0
Nursing Home Services	0.0%	0	38	0
Zoo	0.0%	0	140	0
Post Board	0.0%	0	257	0
Public Employee Retirement	0.0%	0	175	0
Center for Arts	0.0%	0	179	0
Attorney General	0.0%	0	195	0
Totals:	15.3%	48,163	267,009	18,539