

The Southeast Propane Autogas Development Program

The Southeast Propane Autogas Development Program is a large-scale, groundbreaking alternative fuel project aimed at building propane Autogas infrastructure in the Southeast United States and encouraging public and private fleets to adopt propane Autogas. The Program will convert 1,200 vehicles from conventional gasoline to propane Autogas; implement many propane Autogas refueling stations along high-traffic routes; and launch a wide-reaching communications campaign to increase awareness and usage of propane Autogas in the Southeast

In August 2009, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded \$8.6 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment funds to the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy to execute the project. Administered by Virginia Clean Cities at James Madison University, the project will be deployed by Alliance AutoGas in twelve states – Maryland, Virginia, Tennessee, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Pennsylvania, and Colorado. The project is funded through December 2013

The nearly 1,200 vehicles are expected to displace almost 4 million gallons of gasoline and eliminate more than 4,000 tons of airborne pollutants annually. Additionally, running these vehicles on propane autogas helps enhance American energy security and increase the number of clean tech jobs in the Southeast. Autogas-powered fleets also experience reduced fuel maintenance costs, saving money for local businesses and municipalities alike. Decreased fuel costs for public fleets save taxpayers' dollars, while businesses can reinvest in the economy with their savings on fuel.

Alliance AutoGas is implementing the refueling infrastructure, and providing the propane Autogas fuel supply for this project. Alliance was chosen for the project because of its turnkey solution that includes vehicle conversions, fueling and technical support, and because of its range of EPA-certified propane autogas conversion systems for common fleet vehicle platforms.

Learn more about the Program, its partners, and the benefits of propane autogas for fleets at www.usepropaneautogas.com.