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Mr. Tom Mather
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Dear Mr. Mather:

On behalf of the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, it is my pleasure to inform you that your project, Clean School Bus NC: Kids Breathe Here, has been selected for a Clean Air Excellence Award in the Transportation Efficiency Innovations category. We received almost 70 applications and your project was chosen by EPA's Office of Air and Radiation for its impact, innovation, and replicability. I congratulate you and your organization for you dedication to improving our nation's air quality.

The Clean Air Excellence Awards Program recognizes and honors outstanding and innovative efforts to achieve cleaner air. The program was recommended to the EPA by the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee, which advises the EPA on policy issues related to the Clean Air Act.

You are invited to attend the 2014 Clean Air Excellence Awards Ceremony, which will be held on the evening of Wednesday, April 2, 2014, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Crystal City, Virginia.

Selectees will be responsible for their travel and lodging costs. You should have already been contacted by our office regarding your availability to attend the ceremony. If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Craig of my staff at (202) 564-1674 or craig.jeneva@epa.gov.

I send my congratulations again and look forward to seeing you at the ceremony.

Sincerely,

Janet G. McCabe

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Acting Assistant Administrator