

Dear Retailer,



Thank you for your interest in E85 and/or intermediate blends of ethanol. Funding is currently available to assist retailers with the installation or conversion of equipment to dispense E85 and ethanol blends. A station may be eligible for 75% of E85 or blender pump-specific project costs up to a maximum of \$15,000 if meeting program guidelines. Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Award amounts will be based on costs associated with installation of new equipment or upgrading current equipment for E85 or intermediate ethanol blends. Project estimates for eligible equipment and labor must be provided with your application form.

All applications must be approved before the project begins to assure funding. Previous E85 grant recipients are not eligible for funding.

Grant recipients are required to post street-visible E85 pricing and label dispenser(s) with E85 and ethanol blend decals. The Minnesota Department of Commerce collects E85 and ethanol blend sales data monthly. E85 and blender pump grant recipients must provide Department of Commerce with this data as part of the grant agreement.

All improvements and materials supported with funds provided by ALAMN must meet Fuel Ethanol Compatibility Standards and Dispensing List for E85 Fuel Vehicles as established and adopted by the American Automobile Manufacturers Association and dated August 10, 1995 (Source: *Handbook for Handling, Storing, and Dispensing E85* (April 2008)). In addition, the E85 and blender pump fueling system acquired and installed shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, and codes of the federal, state, and local governments. Proof of compliance shall be provided to Minnesota Department of Commerce upon request.

Installations of blender pumps offering intermediate ethanol blends are being considered on a case-by-case basis in Minnesota. Retailers planning to install blender pumps must contact Mark Buccelli at the MN Department of Weights and Measures for prior approval at (651) 215-5840.

Please complete the following application form and fax back with your project estimates to (651) 281-0242.

We look forward to working with you to expand the use of E85 in Minnesota. Please contact the American Lung Association in Minnesota with questions at 651.227.8014.

