



# DAS Statewide Fleet Administration EMS Quarterly Newsletter

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## ISO14001 Audit November 12-13

### It's that time of year again!

The auditor from Underwriters Laboratories will be back in November to audit our EMS. It has been three years since we were first certified to the ISO14001 standard and we are ready to show that we are still committed to our EMS.

The auditor will be at the Salem Motor Pool for two days (Nov 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>) auditing our facility, employees, and documentation. As soon as there is an approved agenda I will get it sent out to everyone so you can see where we will be on which days.



**AS ALWAYS:** Be prepared to answer questions that the auditor may have.

- ✓ Where can you find EMS documents?
- ✓ What does the EMS Policy say?
- ✓ How does your job effect the environment?

Fleet has begun adding some new information into the vehicle packets and onto our vehicles.

One of these new stickers, being placed on the windshields of our vehicles, asks drivers to turn off their car to reduce air pollution.

### Why is this important?



1. Ten seconds of idling uses more fuel than restarting your engine
2. Restarting a car many times has little impact on engine components such as the battery and starter motor
3. Idling your vehicle with the air conditioning can increase emissions by 13%. Your car will stay cool for a few minutes after you turn the engine off

4. Excessive idling can be hard on your engine. Because the engine isn't working at peak operating temperature, fuel doesn't undergo complete combustion. This leaves fuel residue that contaminates engine oil and makes spark plugs dirty.

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Please help our customers support our efforts to reduce pollution!

Get the word out!



What is the best way to have fun and support your local community this season?

**VISIT A PUMPKIN PATCH!!!**



Whether you have little ghosts and goblins, or just want to get out of the house for an afternoon, a pumpkin patch can be a great way to get outdoors and support local farmers. With corn mazes, hayrides, farm animals, and more... you'll find fun for the whole family.

If you don't like getting your feet muddy consider buying pumpkins, apples and other seasonal items from a farmer's market.

You'll get the same benefit without the mess!

