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**MDAQMD BUY-BACK PROGRAM NOW OFFERING \$1,000
FOR PRE-1996 AUTOS AND TRUCKS**

Victorville – Local owners of older, higher-polluting vehicles manufactured in 1995 or before are now eligible to receive \$1,000 for scrapping their operable cars, vans and light and medium duty trucks through the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District’s Voluntary Accelerated Vehicle Retirement program. This marks a change from the previous eligibility year of 1994.

The MDAQMD’s voluntary program is available to owners of vehicles registered within the air district’s jurisdiction, which includes the High Desert portion of San Bernardino County and Riverside County’s Palo Verde Valley.

Eligible vehicles must be driven to a contracted vehicle dismantler and pass the most recent biennial Smog Checks required by the Department of Motor Vehicles. Eligible vehicles must also be registered and meet Vehicle Status Requirements and a Vehicle Functional and Equipment Eligibility Inspection, which are described in detail on the MDAQMD’s website at www.mdaqmd.ca.gov. Details on the program in Spanish are also available at this link.

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Due to its ongoing success, in 2014 the MDAQMD Governing Board allocated an additional \$300,000 to the program, which has removed 765 vehicles from the road since its 2009 inception.

Incentives for eligible vehicles will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until available funds are exhausted. The MDAQMD's scrap program is not affiliated with other State or federal vehicle programs. Unlike the discontinued "Cash for Clunkers" program, participants in the MDAQMD's program are not required to purchase a replacement vehicle.

To sell your vehicle, or to obtain more information on the VAVR program, call 1-800-717-7624.

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