

ROY COOPER Governor ELIZABETH S. BISER Secretary

October 11, 2022

Aaron Greene Polk County Schools 125 East Mills Street Columbus NC 28722

DAQ Grant Management System Application Number: 1000014680

Dear Aaron Greene:

I am pleased to inform you that the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality is awarding your proposed Volkswagen Settlement Phase 2 School Bus Program project in the amount of \$111,173.00. We are excited about your project entitled Polk Schools Emissions Reduction VW grant phase 2.

Using the information provided in your application, we have determined the cost share percentage you will be obligated to contribute to your project. Your cost share is determined from the total replacement cost for each vehicle awarded funding (including any requested electrification infrastructure costs) and the amount of voluntary or involuntary matching funds you included on your application for that vehicle. The amount reimbursed after completion of your project will be calculated from the paid invoices included in your claim submittal.

The cost share amount for application 1000014680 is shown below for the awarded vehicle(s):

Vehicle/Unit Number	Vehicle/Unit Replacement Cost	Charging Infrastructure Cost	Total Vehicle/Unit Project Cost	Applicant Matching Funds	Other Matching Funds	VW Awarded Amount	Applicant Cost Share Percentage	VW Program Cost Share Percentage
1	\$111,173.00	\$0.00	\$111,173.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$111,173.00	0.0	100.0

Sheila Blanchard, from my staff, will contact you with the necessary forms required for DAQ to begin the State contract process. Please do not start any work on this project until there is a fully executed (signed by representatives of both organizations) contract in place. We cannot reimburse for work performed or items purchased before a contract is in place. Should you have any questions or need further information, you may contact Sheila Blanchard via telephone at 919-707-8423 or email at sheila.blanchard@ncdenr.gov.

Applicants must log into the NC DAQ Grant Management System (GMS) to upload required forms for contract processing, to submit final project invoices and other required documents for reimbursement, and to view your project claim status. A completed and signed NC DEQ Grant Award Acceptance Form (sent separately) must be signed via DocuSign within 15 business days of receipt.



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Thank you for your interest in reducing emissions in North Carolina. We look forward to working with you on this worthwhile endeavor and receiving reports on the success of this project.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth S. Biser, Secretary

Department of Environmental Quality

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cc: Sheila Blanchard

