

## **NYC FLEET NEWSLETTER**

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**BIODIESEL PRODUCERS VISIT NYC** 

In the last four years, NYC has used over 150 million gallons of biodiesel blended fuel for its fleet and building operations. At least 5% biodiesel goes into every gallon of fleet fuel and heating oil used by City government with higher blends of B20 also deployed.

Behind this cleaner, renewable fuel are farmers from across America. On December 15, 2015 forty (40) farmers and representatives involved with biodiesel production visited NYC meeting with DCAS, Parks, and DSNY, and touring Central Park. The visit was organized by the National Biodiesel Board (NBB), American Sovbean Association, and the



United Soybean Board (USB). In addition to NY, participants attended from 12 states: North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Tennessee, South Carolina, Maryland, and New Jersey.

Parks and Sanitation were the leaders in adopting biodiesel in fleet and facility operations, and the farmers got to see first hand NYC's major investment in biodiesel and cleaner fuels. While this was happening locally, nationally President Obama signed a tax and spending bill into law which maintains the biodiesel blender's tax incentive through 2016, helping ensure that biodiesel remains cost effective as well as environmentally friendly.

Many thanks to DCAS, DSNY, and Parks for supporting this important partnership, and especially to Sunny Corrao of the Urban Park Rangers (UPR) for her great tour of the park.

## FLEET SPOTLIGHT: JACEK GRACZYK OF DCAS

To kick off the new year, we are proud to announce that Jacek Graczyk of NYC Fleet at DCAS has been recognized by Government Fleet magazine as one of the "20 Under 40: Fleet's Future Leaders" for 2016. This is a national award given to just 20 government fleet employees nationwide below the age of 40.

Jacek (Jack) is Director of Fleet Services for DCAS and joined fleet in January 2014. DCAS Fleet Services manages maintenance, fueling, and collisions for nearly 3,000 vehicles that are part of the DCAS Client Fleet from over 50 separate agencies and offices.

Jacek coordinates with Agency Transportation Coordinators (ATCs) citywide, along with the DCAS mechanical inspectors, to ensure prompt and reliable servicing of our client fleet vehicles and to address repair concerns.

Jacek has also led two key initiatives in safety and sustainability. Jacek coor-

dinated the truck side-guard roll-out as part of Mayor de Blasio's Vision Zero. Thanks to Jacek, fleet met its target of installing truck safety guards on 240 units, 5% of the eligible truck fleet, by the end of 2015, with installs continuing. Jacek is also implementing a \$2 million grant project supported by Federal Clean Cities (CMAQ) and City DOT's Alternative Fuels Unit to retrofit City trucks with diesel particulate filters.

Jacek worked previously at Enterprise Rent-A-Car where he was a Regional Vehicle Supervisor. Off the clock, Jack enjoys watching pro mixed martial arts (MMA). He is a newlywed and lives with his wife in Queens.

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