INVITATION TO THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE GRPE INFORMAL GROUP ON HEAVY DUTY HYBRIDS (HDH)

On invitation of Environment Canada, the 11th informal group meeting on Heavy Duty Hybrid vehicles (HDH) will take place

- at the Ottawa Convention Center, 55 Colonel By Drive, Room 202, Ottawa, Canada
- from October 10 to 12, 2012
- starting at 10:00 on October 10, 2012
- ending at 17:00 on October 12, 2012

If you plan to attend the meeting, we would like to ask you to inform Chairman (petter.asman@trafikverket.se), Secretary (<u>hj.stein@daimler.com</u>) and host Environment Canada (Julie.deschatelets@ec.gc.ca and Nadia.Renaud@ec.gc.ca) by August 31, 2012.

Agenda and documents, if available, for the meeting will be sent out and up-loaded to the informal group webpage prior to the meeting:

http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp29/wp29wgs/wp29grpe/hd-hybrids11.html

On October 12, 2012, a visit to Environment Canada's emission testing laboratory is planned. In addition, a visit to wind tunnel of the National Research Council of Canada will be organized for interested participants. Details will be communicated at later time.

Directions, hotel recommendations, as well as information on Ottawa area are attached to this invitation. Participants are advised to book their hotel room as early as possible, as there is a Holiday in Canada during that week and room availability may be limited. Ms. Nadia Renaud and Julie Deschatelets at Environment Canada will be pleased to answer any questions about accommodation or direction information from participants, if necessary.

Attachments:

- List of hotels close to the meeting place
- Ottawa sightseeing

HOTELS IN OTTAWA WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE

Green Arrow: Meeting location

Ottawa Convention Center – Room 202 55 Colonel By Drive (613) 563-1984

www.ottawaconventioncentre.com

A- Château Laurier

1 Rideau Street (613) 241-1414 www.fairmont.com/laurier

B- Westin Ottawa

(Indoor access to the Ottawa Convention Center) 11 Colonel By Drive (613) 560-7000 www.thewestinottawa.com/

C- Capital Hill Hotel and Suites

88 Albert Street (613) 235-1413 www.capitalhill.com/

D- Lord Elgin

100 Elgin Street (866) 627-2609 www.lordelginhotel.ca

E- ARC The Hotel

140 Slater Street (800) 699-2516 www.arcthehotel.com/

F- Hotel Indigo

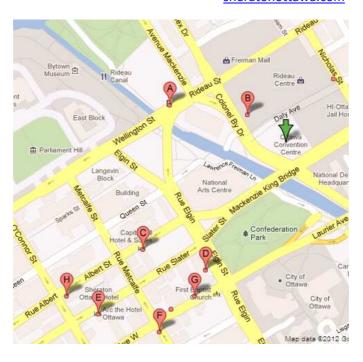
123 Metcalfe Street (866) 246-3446 www.ottawadowntownhotel.com/

G- Marriott Residence Inn

161 Laurier Avenue West (613) 231-2020 www.marriottresidenceinnottawa.com/

H- Sheraton Ottawa Hotel

150 Albert Street (613) 238-1500 sheratonottawa.com



ACTIVITIES IN OTTAWA

- The Byward market is one the first public market in Canada and the most popular attraction of the city. It offers a large variety of cafés, restaurants, fresh products and specialty shops. The market is within walking distance of the meeting location and recommended hotels. Visit the website for a virtual tour!
 - o http://www.ottawatourism.ca/en/visitors/top-attractions/byward-market
- As the nation's capital, Ottawa has an enormous amount of history and culture that can intrigue even the most informed traveler.
 - o http://ottawa.ca/en/rec culture/museum heritage/museums/national/
- Ottawa if filled with sights and attractions and just about as many ways to explore and see them.
 - o http://www.ottawatourism.ca/en/visitors/what-to-do/tours-and-sightseeing
- The National Capital Region is only a few minutes away from the Outaouais Region which offers many more activities.
 - o http://www.tourismeoutaouais.com/en-ca/default.aspx
- For the outdoor enthusiasts, Gatineau Park is an outdoor paradise where you can take part in a range of activities, such as hiking, boating and cycling. The scenery is especially incredible in the fall. The park is only a 15 minutes drive away from downtown Ottawa.
 - o http://www.canadascapital.gc.ca/places-to-visit/gatineau-park





Please do not hesitate to contact Julie Deschatelets or Nadia Renaud if you have questions, we will be pleased to help you find activities that fit your needs and interests.