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ECO Stars - an intervention of choice contributing to cleaner air





### Origins of South Yorkshire ECO Stars

- Efficient Cleaner Operations
   Stars
- Developed by the 4 South Yorkshire authorities with Barnsley MBC as lead authority
- Part of a 'Toolkit of Measures' to tackle Air Quality
- Scheme attractive to commercial fleet operators
- Launched in Jan 2009





#### **ECO Stars – Motivation**

- Heavy duty vehicles significant emitter of traffic pollution
- Needed to positively engage with the heavy duty vehicle fleet community to reduce emissions where possible
- Desired to build trust, recognise existing good practice whilst encouraging further emission reduction
- Required a scheme without a barrier for increased economic activity









# ECO Stars – Main Principles

Benefits to Local Authorities
 Air Quality

- Benefits to operator
  - Reduced fuel consumption and cleaner operation



- Benefits to the community
  - Reduced emissions
  - o Improved health







#### How It Works

- Free local membership scheme
- Managed by TTR on behalf of local authorities for operators of commercial vehicle fleets (trucks, vans, coaches and buses)
- Recognition of best practice in clean, energy and cost efficient operations
- Guidance and advice provided on how further improvements can be achieved – environmental and economic





#### How It Works



**Fleet Composition** 



**Fuel Management** 



**Driver Skills Development** 



Vehicle Specification & Preventative Maintenance



**IT Support Systems** 



Performance Monitoring & Targeting

- Member vehicles and operating practices are assessed
- To recognise levels of environmental and energy saving performance
- A star rating is applied



### **Operator Benefits**

Recognition at both vehicle and management level for current operational practices

Advice on measures which could help to improve performance (AQ, GHG, £)

Opportunities to raise profile with other operators, customers & local communities

- Membership package:
- Star rating Certificate
- 'Road map' for operational & environmental efficiency
- Ongoing guidance to progress







## **ASDA**







































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### **ECO Stars Scheme UK Coverage**

- South Yorkshire
- Mid Devon Devon County
- Mid Devon Taxi
- Nottingham Urban Area
- Thurrock
- City of York
- Warrington
- Sefton (Port of Liverpool)
- Sutton & Croydon
- Greenwich
- Staffordshire & Stoke
- Swale
- Cornwall
- Manchester
- West Yorkshire

- Dundee
- Dundee Taxi
- Edinburgh
- Falkirk
- Falkirk Taxi
- North Lanarkshire
- South Lanarkshire
- Fife
- Glasgow
- Fife Taxi
- Aberdeen
- East Lothian



#### **Evaluation**

Evaluation exercise conducted with 10 South Yorkshire members drawn from a variety of operators by size and sector using real world data:

- Decreased NOx 8
- Decreased PM 7
- Decreased/no change CO₂ 7



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