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Commuter Services Urges Commuters to “Dump the Pump”
Contest will award prizes to those who try alternative transportation

YORK, Pa. (June 12, 2014) – Commuter Services of Pennsylvania is holding a contest in conjunction with National Dump the Pump Day. Commuters can participate by taking public transit, biking, carpooling, vanpooling, walking, or teleworking on National Dump the Pump Day on Thursday, June 19.

Dump the Pump Day is a national day of awareness focusing on the benefits of using alternative forms of transportation as opposed to driving alone. Decreasing fuel dependency, minimizing congestion and saving money on gas, maintenance, insurance, parking and reducing your carbon footprint are just a few examples of ways commuters benefit from participating.

To enter the contest, commuters are encouraged to submit their story, in 250 words or less, detailing how they have saved money and/or improved their quality of life when they ‘Dumped the Pump,’ and tried alternative transportation. Participants can submit their entry by mail or on the Commuter Services website. All entries must be received by Friday, June 27.

The winner will be selected by a panel of judges and will receive a Smart Commuter Prize Pack valued at $50, including a $25 gift card, and have their photo and story featured on the website. Smaller prizes (valued at $15) will also be awarded to two additional winners.

Submit your essay in one of the following ways:
Mail to: Commuter Services of PA, Dump the Pump Essay Contest
2951 Whiteford Road, Suite 201, York, PA 17402
Website: http://PaCommuterServices.org/dump-the-pump2014
Fax: (717)718-0020
E-mail: Customer.Service@PaCommuterServices.org

National Dump the Pump Day is sponsored by the American Public Transportation Association (APTA).
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Commuter Services board includes transit agencies, planning organizations and chambers:
- Harrisburg Regional Chamber; the Gettysburg Adams, Lebanon Valley, Greater Chambersburg Chambers of Commerce, and the York County Economic Alliance; Lancaster and Greater Reading Chambers of Commerce & Industry;
- Berks Area Regional Transportation Authority (BARTA), Lebanon Transit (LT); Red Rose Transit Authority (RRTA, Lancaster); York Adams Transportation Authority (rabbittransit); Capital Area Transit (CAT, Cumberland-Dauphin-Harrisburg);
- Adams, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Reading and York Area Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs); Harrisburg MPO (Cumberland, Dauphin and Perry counties).

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