

SECOND ANNUAL DUMP THE PUMP TO BE HELD ON JUNE 21

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[Nantucket, MA] Nantucket Regional Transit Authority announced today that it will join with other public transportation systems nationwide to participate in the Second Annual National Dump the Pump Day on June 21. Sponsored by the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), the 2007 National Dump the Pump Day is a day that encourages people to ride public transportation to help improve the environment and to conserve gasoline.

“Public transportation plays a vital role in improving our environment and reducing traffic congestion,” said Paula Leary, NRTA Administrator “On June 21, people can make a difference by riding the NRTA Shuttle and encouraging their friends and family to do so, too.”

“Participation in National Dump the Pump Day means we will be reaching out to new riders and thanking our current riders,” Leary said. “We will offer half fare on all Shuttles and have promotional items to give away on National Dump the Pump Day, June 21st.”

Earlier this year a report by ICF International, “Public Transportation and Petroleum Savings in the U.S.: Reducing Dependence on Oil,” stated that the U.S. public transportation systems save 1.4 billion gallons of gasoline every year, the equivalent of 108 million cars filling up in a year.

“The 2007 National Dump the Pump Day is a public awareness day that emphasizes the environmental benefits of using public transportation,” said APTA President William W. Millar. “It is also a day for people across the country to make a difference as they conserve gasoline and help our environment.

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