

## LICENCE PRO BPL EXAMEN D'ANGLAIS - DECEMBRE 2003

Répondez en Anglais aux 2 questions suivantes en 250 mots plus ou moins 10%.  
Un nombre de mots inférieur à 225 sera sanctionné ;  
indiquez le nombre de mots à la fin.

The United States is taking the question of air pollution seriously, and has already passed a certain number of laws to that end.  
Are these laws sufficient to encourage citizens (fleet owners as well as individuals) to use more alternative fuels? Which other initiatives could have similar effects?

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### TAKING AN ALTERNATIVE ROUTE

#### New Directions, New Choices

Concern about the environment and our country's dependence on imported petroleum is hastening the development of new domestic sources of power for vehicles, as well as new vehicle technologies.

Now that a new century is upon us, a new road is being built in America—a road leading to reduced national dependence on conventional petroleum fuels for transportation. Legislation enacted in the 1990s is accelerating the use of alternatives to conventional gasoline and diesel fuels.

In particular, fleet (1) operators need to be aware of two federal laws—the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments (CAAA) and the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPAAct)—which already require (2) certain fleets to acquire vehicles that operate on alternatives to petroleum.

CAAA seeks to improve air quality across the country. The law includes several programs requiring the use of cleaner fuels to reduce mobile source pollutants. Among these programs is the Clean Fuel Fleet Program (CFFP) administered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This program requires fleets in metropolitan areas with high ozone and/or carbon monoxide levels to acquire clean fuel vehicles (CFVs)—vehicles that meet stricter emission standards (3) than otherwise required by law. Fleets can use any fuel, including alternative fuels, as long as the vehicles acquired are certified to meet the EPA low emission vehicle (LEV) standards or better.

(1) Fleet = flotte (de véhicules)

(2) To require = imposer

(3) To meet standards = être en conformité avec des normes