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**Turn Your Key, Be Idle Free (or new tagline)**

**Sample Business Idling Policy**

**Business/organization Name:**

**Policy Number:**

**Effective Date:**

**Applicability:** This policy applies to all employee passenger vehicles and delivery trucks at (Business/Org. name here)

**Rationale:** Idling vehicles emit air toxins which contribute to air pollution, and are known to cause cancer, birth defects, respiratory and reproductive effects and other serious health concerns. Exposure to car exhaust can also increase asthma symptoms, and cause nasal, throat and eye problems. With statistics indicating that idling vehicles emit 20 times more pollution than cars traveling 30 miles per hour, limiting a vehicle’s idling time can dramatically reduce air pollution and employees’ exposure to harmful air toxins.

**Purpose:** Eliminate all unnecessary or avoidable idling by employee passenger vehicles and delivery trucks at (Business/Org. name here).

**Actions:**

* Employees should shut off their engines while sitting in parking lots and passenger drop-off lanes.
* All delivery drivers should turn-off engines when they arrive and plan to be parked for more than 10 seconds.
* If idling is necessary for temperature control, it should be restricted to no more than five minutes.