

**SUBJECT: Vehicle Idle Free****1. Purpose**

The University of Northern British Columbia is committed to the principles of sustainability, as reflected in its goal of living Canada's Green University™. One key goal of the Green University Strategy is to reduce emissions and reach carbon neutrality. Vehicle emissions produce pollutants which pose serious risks to human health and the environment.

The intent of this policy is to provide guidelines for the reduction of unnecessary idling which will assist the University with meeting its sustainability and emissions reduction goals. This policy also plays an important role in improving the air quality and protecting human health within the community of Prince George and other communities in northern British Columbia.

**2. Scope**

This policy applies to any individual operating a vehicle on all UNBC campuses (Prince George, Terrace, Quesnel, Williams Lake, Fort St. John and Prince Rupert) and for any UNBC owned vehicle whenever in operation.

**3. Authority/Responsibility**

Parking and Security Services are responsible to the Director of Purchasing, Contract and Risk Management and the Green University Centre for this policy.

**4. Definitions**

- 4.1 *Idling*: an engine is running while a vehicle or piece of equipment is stationary and/or not performing work.
- 4.2 *Vehicles*: vehicles or equipment refer to cars, light-duty trucks, vans, heavy-duty trucks, snow equipment, transit buses, loaders, backhoes, street sweepers and any other vehicle utilizing carbon based fuels.

(link to procedures on website)