MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE STATES WITHIN THE OZONE TRANSPORT REGION

WHEREAS the northeastern United States is faced with a severe and widespread ozone nonattainment problem; and

WHEREAS most of the member states also have carbon monoxide nonattainment problems; and

WHEREAS motor vehicles are the largest source of ozone producing pollutants and emit the vast majority of the carbon monoxide emissions; and

WHEREAS motor vehicle emissions are projected to increase significantly during the 1990's unless new motor vehicle control measures are implemented; and

WHEREAS a preliminary analysis indicates that complete implementation of the California Motor Vehicle Control Program in the transport region will result in substantially greater emission reductions than provided by the current, or expected future, Federal Motor Vehicle Control Program; and

WHEREAS Section 177 of the Clean Air Act gives states the option of adopting vehicle emission standards identical to California's stringent exhaust standards; and

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THEREFORE, each of the member states and the District of Columbia recognizes the need to reduce mobile source emissions in order to effectively address the current and future ozone and carbon monoxide problems in the Northeast. Furthermore, the undersigned support the California Motor Vehicle Control Program and call for the states and the District to cooperatively evaluate the feasibility, air quality benefits, and associated costs of adopting this program in the Ozone Transport Region; and

FURTHER, the undersigned states and the District of Columbia also agree that the use of federal reformulated gasoline throughout the Ozone Transport Region will provide significant additional benefits in emission reductions, and agree to consider requesting the sale of these fuels on a regional basis.

Signed this 16 day of July, 1991 by the following: CONNECTICUT: DELAWARE:

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