RESOLUTION OF THE STATES OF THE OZONE TRANSPORT COMMISSION SUPPORTING EPA IN ITS DEVELOPMENT OF REGULATIONS CONTROLLING EMISSIONS OF OZONE PRECURSORS FROM NON-ROAD ENGINES

WHEREAS EPA is required under Section 213 the Clean Air Act Amendments to develop regulations for the control of emissions from non-road engines if they find that emissions from these sources contribute significantly to the nonattainment of an ambient air quality standard; and

WHEREAS preliminary EPA and State inventory data to date show a potentially substantial portion of ozone precursor emissions are from non-road engines; and

WHEREAS the States of the Ozone Transport Commission are required to submit to EPA State Implementation Plan revisions which demonstrate attainment of the ambient ozone standard by November 15, 1994; and

WHEREAS projected reductions from emissions of non-road engines would enhance the ability of States to demonstrate attainment; and

WHEREAS individual States are preempted by the Clean Air Act from developing their own regulations in this regard; and

WHEREAS the regulatory negotiation process developed by EPA has shown promise as a mechanism for producing air pollution control regulations through involvement and contribution of States, industrial organizations, and other interested groups;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the OTC supports EPA in its development of strong Federal regulations for non-road engines; and

FURTHERMORE that the OTC will support the process in every way possible, including State representation in any regulatory negotiation process that EPA initiates; and

FURTHERMORE that the OTC calls upon EPA to complete its rulemaking process by the end of 1993 so that States can rely upon these emission reductions in their November 1994 State Implementation Plan revisions.

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