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Charge to the Mobile Source Committee to Pursue Potential Strategies for Regional Attainment of Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards

The Ozone Transport Commission (OTC) directs the Executive Staff and the OTC Mobile Source Committee to perform technical, legal, and economic analyses to help OTC states develop cost-effective strategies to achieve emissions reductions of ozone-forming pollutants from mobile sources and satisfy Clean Air Act requirements. The goal is to identify potential strategies (including delineation of appropriate geographical areas for application of such strategies) for consideration by the OTC. These goal should be met by completing the following by the 2017 Fall OTC Meeting:

- (1) Provide a report on OTC, EPA, individual state, and private sector efforts on aftermarket replacement catalysts.
- (2) Develop a recommendation for the top three mobile source strategies for NOx emissions for inclusion in states' Good Neighbor SIPs inside and outside of the OTR. The recommendation should consider a variety of factors including sector NOx emissions, potential emission reductions, cost, and ease of implementation and may include federal measures.
- (3) Report on OTC and individual state actions to reduce NOx emissions from idling and develop a recommendation which should be based on the principles of the Best Practices document adopted by OTC in 2015 and promote partnerships with the private sector, other regional organizations, and local governments.
- (4) Report on progress on additional mobile source strategies that are critical for attaining and maintaining the 2015 ozone standard. This report should include EPA progress in implementing the MSTRS (Mobile Source Technical Review Subcommittee) Port Workgroup's recommendations for port-related emissions reductions and EPA's work looking at emissions reductions from the heavy-duty diesel vehicle sector.
- (5) Report on individual state progress on the Volkswagen settlement, SmartWay[®], and EPA's ports initiative.
- (6) Continue research on additional strategies that reduce mobile source emissions in a cost effective manner, employing available emission inventory estimates. This research includes consideration of the work of other groups in the transportation sector (e.g., Transportation Climate Initiative and Metropolitan Planning Organizations).

The other committees of the OTC are directed to provide whatever assistance is needed to the Mobile Source Committee in carrying out this Charge.

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