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Charge to the Mobile Sources Committee to Pursue Potential Strategies for Regional Attainment of the 2008 and 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards

The Ozone Transport Commission (OTC) directs the OTC Staff and the OTC Mobile Sources Committee (MSC) to conduct the following work:

Highest Priority – Medium and Heavy Duty Trucks

 When issued by EPA, evaluate EPA's Cleaner Trucks Initiative (CTI) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) and comment on the potential nitrogen oxide (NOx) emission reductions and ozone benefits associated with the proposed rule. The MSC may need to work with the OTC Modeling Committee.

Should there be a substantial delay in release of the NPRM or if the CTI NPRM does not propose substantially lower and timely HD new engine NOx standards, the MSC will evaluate the California heavy-duty low NOx regulation for its potential to provide NOx reductions through Section 177 adoption and make recommendations.

- 2. Provide technical and policy analysis to the medium- and heavy-duty zero emission vehicle (MHD ZEV) regional initiative. The MSC may need to work with the NESCAUM ZEV Task Force and the OTC Modeling Committee.
- 3. Compile a report on heavy-duty truck operating conditions and NOx emissions in the region, based on in-use data gathering projects being undertaken by the states and as part of OTC/MANE-VU special projects.

As Resources Allow

- 4. Develop action items on ongoing issues of importance, including:
 - a. Anti-tampering;
 - b. Idle reduction
- 5. As needed, provide technical and policy support where needed on potential ozone benefits from cap and invest, light-duty electric vehicles, allocation of VW settlement funds, or other issues identified by the OTC Air Directors.
- 6. The MSC shall also conduct research and begin to develop potential strategies to strengthen telework programs across the OTR.

Annual Report – Short reports on issues identified above must be available as a draft to the Air Directors by no later than March 1, 2021 and finalized into a single annual report of the OTC Mobile Source Committee by no later than May 15, 2021.

The other Committees of the OTC are directed to provide whatever assistance is needed to the MSC in carrying out this charge. To implement this charge, OTC Staff will work with the Chair of the MSC and the Air Directors to produce a short, clear MSC workplan by July 17, 2020.

Additionally, if new information becomes available, the MSC, at the direction of the MSC Chair, will research and analyze additional strategies that reduce mobile source emissions in a cost-effective manner employing available emission inventory estimates. Changes to the workplan may be made by the OTC Lead Manager only after a consultation with and approval of the Air Directors. The Chair of the MSC will communicate any changes to the workplan to the Committee.

Adopted by the Commission on June 2, 2020.