



Charge to the Mobile Source Committee to Pursue Potential Strategies in 2014 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 develop strategies to achieve substantial emissions reductions of ozone-forming pollutants in the most cost effective manner. The goal is to identify potential strategies (including appropriate geographical areas for application) for review at the 2014 Annual Meeting and for consideration of model rules and/or strategies by the Fall 2014 Meeting to address persistent ozone nonattainment issues in the Ozone Transport Region (OTR). These mobile source strategies include the following:

Connecticut

Delaware

District of Columbia

Maine

Maryland

Massachusetts

New Hampshire

New Jersey

New York

Pennsylvania

Rhode Island

Vermont

Virginia

(1) Aftermarket Catalytic Converters.

Prepare a model rule and any necessary guidance documents for consideration to be adopted by states in the OTR implementing the installation of Aftermarket Catalytic Converters.

(2) Diesel Inspection and Maintenance Programs.

Continue to work with the Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management Heavy Duty Diesel Workgroup and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to obtain credit in State Implementation Plans for diesel vehicle emissions inspection and maintenance programs for diesel powered engines and equipment.

(3) Gasoline Fueled Vehicles.

Identify a strategy to reduce emissions from existing gasoline fueled vehicles. The strategy should consider OTC action and be developed and implemented regionally to ease the burden of producing multiple fuel mixes throughout the region.

(4) Goods Movement.

Using available data identify strategies that have the greatest potential to reduce ozone precursor emissions from sources at marine, air, and rail ports, and trucks transporting of goods to and from the ports to their destination. Any additional strategies should equitably reduce emissions associated with goods movement throughout the OTR.

(5) Additional Transportation Strategies.

The Mobile Source Committee should continue to research additional strategies that reduce emissions in a cost effective manner, employing available data, while considering the work of other collaborative efforts evaluating emissions reductions from the transportation sector.

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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