

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
AMONG THE STATES IN THE OZONE TRANSPORT COMMISSION  
ON OPTING IN TO THE FEDERAL REFORMULATED GASOLINE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, Section 219 of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 requires the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to promulgate regulations by November 15, 1991, requiring EPA to establish a reformulated gasoline program for the nine areas of the country with the worst ambient ozone problems, including Baltimore, Hartford, New York and Philadelphia;

**WHEREAS**, the reformulated gasoline program will require refiners to produce gasoline that achieves reductions in volatile organic compounds and air toxics of at least 15 percent by January 1, 1995, and 25 percent by January 1, 2000;

**WHEREAS**, the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 allow all other ozone nonattainment areas in the country to opt in to the reformulated gasoline program;

**WHEREAS**, EPA recently convened a successful regulatory negotiation to assist in the development of regulations for the reformulated gasoline program;

**WHEREAS**, representatives of all affected parties -- including state and local air quality agencies, industry (oil and automobile) and environmental groups -- unanimously supported the agreement reached through the regulatory negotiation;

**WHEREAS**, the significant environmental benefits associated with the reformulated gasoline program -- reductions in ozone precursors and air toxics -- will be realized immediately upon implementation of the program;

**WHEREAS**, the reformulated gasoline program will result in a relatively low cost to the consumer, ranging from one-half cent per gallon to five cents per gallon;

**WHEREAS**, the procedure for opting in to the reformulated gasoline program is a simple one, requiring only that the Governor of a state with one or more ozone nonattainment areas transmit a letter to the EPA Administrator;

**WHEREAS**, on September 24, 1991, the State and Territorial Air Pollution Program Administrators and the Association of Local Air Pollution Control Officials adopted a resolution calling upon all states in the country that include an ozone nonattainment area to opt in to the federal reformulated gasoline program; and

**WHEREAS**, the states of Maine, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Virginia have already opted in to the federal reformulated gasoline program.

**THEREFORE**, the undersigned members of the Ozone Transport Commission agree to opt in to the federal reformulated gasoline program for nonattainment areas within the ozone transport region as soon as possible.

Signed this 29 day of October , 1991 by the following:

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