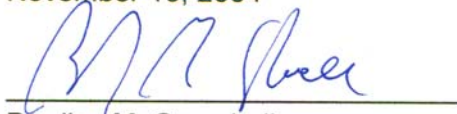


## STATEMENT ON OTC MODELING

The Ozone Transport Commission has been briefed on the work of the Modeling Committee, and supports the Committee's continued development of the SIP quality modeling platform to support and advance completion of the State Implementation Plans for the attainment of the 8-hour Ozone NAAQS. The Commission directs the Committee to facilitate the coordination of the OTC effort with other multi-state organizations (including MANE-VU) to develop future year emissions inventories as input to the ozone model, and as input to regional haze and PM modeling efforts, which are on a parallel track. OTC recognizes that this regional ozone modeling work will require a commitment by each state of concentrated staff time and effort in order to complete the modeling work sufficiently in time to support the SIPs.

The Committee should seek input from the air directors and other OTC Committees on regional strategies that will be the basis of attainment modeling runs; should continue its strategic work using the CALGRID as a screening tool; and should continue to explore the application of emerging analytical tools, such as EPA's Air Strategy Assessment Program.

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