#### Clean Gasoline in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic States



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#### **Presentation Overview**

- EPA's expected Tier 3 low sulfur gasoline proposal
- Need for additional NOx reductions in OTR
- Projected emission reductions
- Monetized health benefits
- Impacts on oil industry
- Conclusions



# **Tier 3 Rulemaking**

- EPA expected to propose Tier 3 rule for cars and light-duty trucks in early 2012 and finalize in late 2012
- Includes tailpipe standards for NOx, VOCs, and PM and evaporative emission standards, which they intend to harmonize with CA LEV III
- Expected to include a requirement to lower gasoline sulfur to an average of 10 ppm

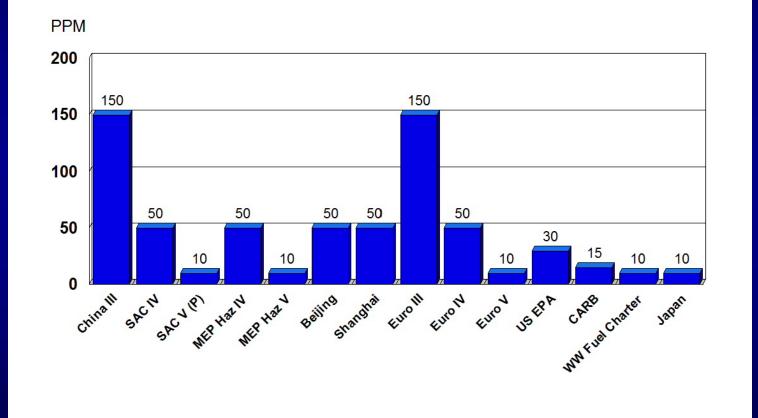


#### **Lower Sulfur Gasoline**

- Lowering the sulfur content of gasoline allows pollution control equipment (3-way catalysts) on cars and trucks to operate more effectively
- Will significantly reduce NOx and other emissions from all gasoline-powered vehicles by limiting "NOx creep" associated with sulfur builds up in catalyst
- Emission reductions from the in-use fleet would be achieved concurrent with the introduction of the cleaner fuel, without the need for fleet turnover

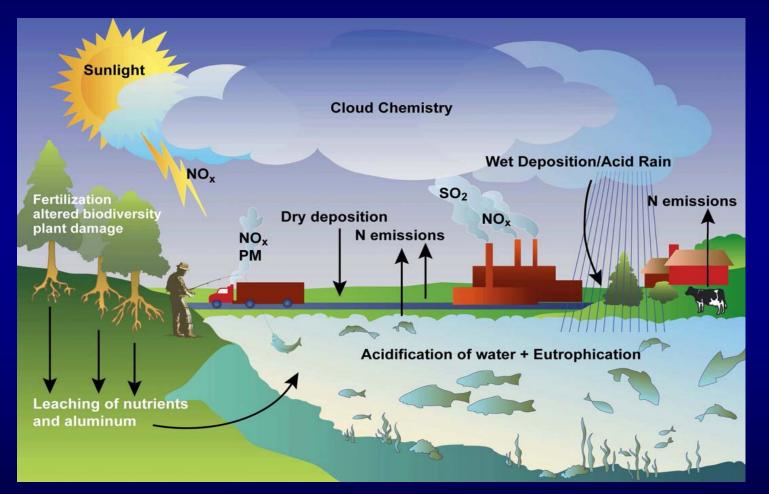


#### Sulfur Content in Gasoline Worldwide Comparison





# NOx Contributes to Wide Range of Health & Environmental Problems



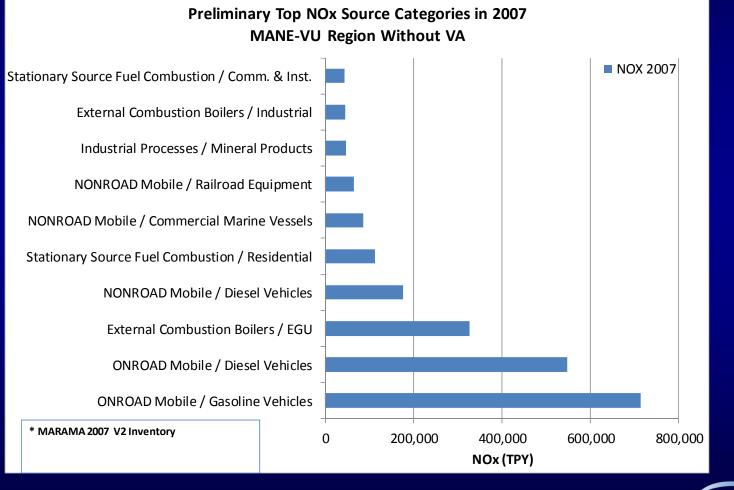


# Need for Additional NOx Reductions

- Ozone and PM2.5
  - Reduces lung function, aggravates asthma and other chronic lung diseases
  - Can cause permanent lung damage from repeated exposures
  - Contributes to premature death
- Acid Deposition
  - Damages forests
  - Damages aquatic ecosystems, e.g., Adirondacks and New England
  - Erodes manmade structures
- Coastal Marine Eutrophication
  - Depletes oxygen in the water, which suffocates fish and other aquatic life in bays and estuaries, e.g., Chesapeake Bay, Barnegat Bay and Long Island Sound
- Visibility Impairment
  - Contributes to regional haze that mars vistas and views in urban and wilderness areas

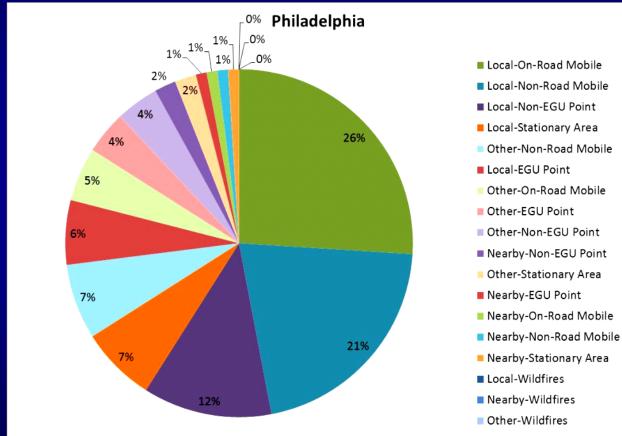


#### Relative Source Contributions of NOx Emissions in the OTR, 2007



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#### Projected 2015 Average Contribution (%) by State/Sector to Exceedance-level Ozone



\*Local states: PA, DE, MD, and NJ; Nearby states: VA and WV.

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# State Emissions and Estimated Reductions from 10 ppm Sulfur

State	2017 Gasoline On-road Base NOx	Estimated NOx Reductions from 10 ppm Sulfur Gasoline	
	(tpy)	(tpy)	(tpd)
Connecticut	20,700	-3,100	-8
Delaware	5,400	-800	-2
District of Columbia	2,000	-300	-1
Maine	10,000	-1,500	-4
Maryland	32,600	-5,000	-14
Massachusetts	35,100	-5,300	-15
New Hampshire	8,400	-1,300	-4
New Jersey	44,300	-6,700	-18
New York	88,600	-13,500	-37
Pennsylvania	70,500	-10,700	-29
Rhode Island	5,600	-900	-2
Vermont	5,000	-800	-2
Virginia (OTR counties)	11,300	-1,700	-5
OTR Total	339,500	-51,600	-141

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# Regional Gasoline Vehicle Emissions and Estimated Reductions

Region	2017 Gasoline On-road Baseline NOx (tpy)	Estimated NOx Reductions from 10 ppm Sulfur Gasoline	
nogion		(tpy)	(tpd)
OTR	339,500	-51,600	-141
Midwest States (IL, IN, IA, MI, MN, MO, OH, WI)	402,300	-61,000	-167
Southeast States (AL, FL, GA, KY, MS,NC, SC, TN, VA, WV)	427,800	-64,900	-178
3 Region Total	1,169,600	-177,500	-486
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# NOx Reductions from 10 ppm Sulfur & CSAPR in OTR

	2017 NOx Reductions from 10 ppm Sulfur Gasoline (tpy)	2014 NOx Reductions from CSAPR* Does not reflect recent state budget changes by EPA (tpy)	
OTR Annual Total	-51,600	-17,068	NESCAUM

# Predicted Cost-Effectiveness of Tier 3Low Sulfur Gasoline Requirements

Cost (cents per gallon)	Cost Effectiveness (\$/ton NOx)
0.5 cents (MSAT)	\$2,500
0.8 cents (ICCT/MathPro) sensitivity case	\$4,000
1.4 cents (ICCT/MathPro) study case	\$7,000

#### Relative Cost-Effectiveness of Lower Sulfur Gasoline

Source	OTR Summer NOx Emission Reductions (tons/day)	Cost Effectiveness (\$/ton NOx)
ICI Boilers (area & point sources)	107.2	\$750 - \$7,500 (Low NOx Burners) \$1,300 - \$3,700 (SNCR) \$2,000 - \$14,000 (SCR)
<b>Combustion Turbines – SCR</b>		\$2,010 - \$19,120
Highway – Heavy-duty Diesel Engine Standards & Fuel Sulfur		\$10,561
Tier 2 Light-duty Vehicle Emissions & Gasoline Sulfur		\$6,297
Phase II RFG (remainder of OTR)	4.8	\$3,700 - \$5,200
Glass/Fiberglass Furnaces	37.3	\$2,150 - \$5,300
10 ppm Sulfur Gasoline	141	\$2,500 – \$7,000



# Annual Monetized Health Benefits in OTR (2018)

	Value [millions of 2006\$]		
	Ozone	PM2.5	Total
Morbidity	\$20	\$4	\$23
Mortality	\$196 – \$877	\$15 – \$285	\$210 – \$1,162
Total Monetized Health Benefits	\$215 – \$896	\$19 – \$289	\$234 – \$1,186



#### **Cost vs. Health Benefits in OTR**

	Value [millions of dollars]
Annual Cost at 0.5 cents/gal	\$143
Annual Cost at 0.8 cents/gal	\$229
Annual Cost at 1.4 cents/gal	\$400
Total Monetized Annual Health Benefits	\$234 – \$1,186

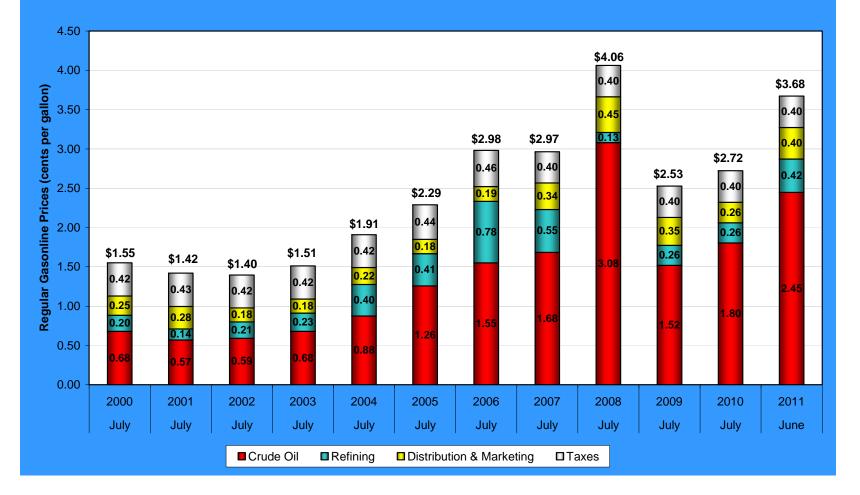


# Impact on Oil Industry

- 10 ppm sulfur gasoline proposal would represent the latest in a series of regulatory initiatives to remove sulfur from transportation fuels
  - Tier 2 (30 ppm) 2000
  - highway diesel (15 ppm) 2001
  - nonroad diesel (15 ppm) 2004
- U.S. refiners have already invested in desulfurization capacity
- Oil industry has historically generated conservative estimates of predicted cost of complying with fuel sulfur standards, but has found less costly ways to comply



#### **Components of US Gas Prices**





#### Impact on Oil Industry

- Low sulfur gasoline and diesel regulations have had little effect on the numbers or capacities of operable refineries in U.S.
- U.S. gasoline supply increased nearly 10 percent, comparing the year 2000 to the year 2007
- Early compliance was widespread and many refiners generated a surplus of credits
- Refining industry maintained profitability during the first decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century



#### Conclusions

- Lowering the sulfur content of gasoline to an average of 10 ppm would cost-effectively reduce NOx emissions
- Represents one of the most significant strategies available to protect public health by addressing ozone nonattainment in the OTR
  - Help areas that need reductions to attain
  - Help other areas stay in attainment
  - Position states to be in attainment with any new NAAQS



#### Conclusions

- NOx reductions would also help lower fine particle concentrations and mitigate acid rain, water body eutrophication, and regional haze
- As a federal requirement, the low sulfur gasoline rule would result in very significant NOx reductions across the entire domain in the Eastern U.S. that contributes to pollutant burden in OTR
- Emission reductions not achieved through this and other federal measures would have to be accomplished by further controlling local sources in the OTR

