

Overview of OTC Draft 5-Year Strategy and Draft Grant Work Plan

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Strategic Planning Process

- Small group of members met in April 2007 to do strategic planning for OTC for 2008-2013
- Developed goals and priorities, from which key objectives and approaches flowed
- Keep focus on OTC's key strengths

OTC Goals

- Protect public health in the OTR
- Reduce transport of ozone and precursors in the OTR
- Develop innovative control measures that provide multiple environmental benefits

Key Elements

- Analyze what is truly impacting air quality and where it comes from
 - Energy/air quality interface
 - Climate change impacts on ozone
 - Mobile and fuel strategies
- Investigate how to configure OTC, organizationally and operationally, to best meet its mission

Key Elements (cont'd)

- Develop more complete understanding of health impacts of ozone and PM-fine
- Lead by example on controlling emissions from sources in the OTR to:
 - Attain 8-hour ozone NAAQS
 - Prepare for a new ozone NAAQS
 - Address regional haze requirements
- Encourage linkages with MANE-VU
 - Leverage work and resources

Key Elements (cont'd)

- Collaborate with other states, national and regional organizations on solutions
 - State collaborative
 - State air quality, energy and transportation groups
 - EPA, DOE, DOT and FERC
 - Congress, state legislatures, others
- Effectively communicate to the regulated community and the public

Next Steps on 5-Year Plan

- Circulate for review by OTC states
- Re-examine after EPA issues decision on the ozone NAAQS in March 2008
- Revise as appropriate given any change in priorities or objectives due to new ozone NAAQS
- Finalize at OTC Annual Meeting in June 2008

OTC Grant Work Plan

- Draft for next grant, period from July 2008 to July 2009
- Assumes no substantial increase in federal funding from previous years due to EPA budget constraints
- Also assumes no decrease in federal funding from previous years

Key Activities – Stationary Sources

- Develop planning activities and schedule for addressing new ozone NAAQS
- Examine ozone/ghg interface issues
- Continue assessment of “beyond CAIR” policies for EGU sector
- Examine potential control strategies for ICI boilers

Key Activities – Mobile Sources

- Evaluate potential for low emission diesel fuel additive program in the OTR
- Examine ozone/ghg interface issues
- Explore potential for other regional measures

Key Activities – Liaison with EPA

- Participate in process and comment on EPA regulations, policies, guidance and strategies
- Coordinate with EPA on OTC regional strategies
- Participate as member of Air Quality Management Subcommittee

Other Activities

- Services for Commission Members
- Communications with stakeholders and other organizations
- Administrative and business operations

Grant Work Products

- Commission and Committee meetings
- 5-Year strategic plan update
- Briefing documents on EGU multi-pollutant position, if revised
- Outline and schedule of planning activities and technical work items for new ozone NAAQS
- Clean Air Week activities and materials