

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Phil Mendelson, Chair, MWAQC
MWAQC Executive Committee

FROM: James E. Sydnor, Chair, TAC

SUBJECT: TAC Committee Chair Rotation

In the recent Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings, the TAC members discussed a policy of rotating chairmanships of subcommittees. There was a general agreement for rotating the subcommittee chairmanships among the states jurisdictions, with the exception of the Conformity Subcommittee, whose chair will be selected from local jurisdictions of the state who is next in the rotation.

Until this year the chairmen of TAC subcommittees have been selected informally, with some committees having the same chair for five years or more. The Technical Committee discussed the advantages of rotating the chairs, but for some committees agreed that it may not make sense. In the case of the Attainment Subcommittee, Virginia DEQ will continue to chair because Virginia DEQ is taking the lead on modeling for the Washington region.

The TAC members agreed that the ad hoc workgroups leads would not be subject to annual rotation. The TAC Chair solicits membership input for making any changes to the workgroups and their leads.

Rotation among the committee chairs will occur as follows:

<u>Committee</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>
Technical Advisory Ctte	MD	VA
Emissions Inventory Subctte	DC	MD
Attainment Modeling Subctte	VA	VA
Conformity Subctte	Alexandria	DC (as a COG local)

In addition, I recommend creation of a new subcommittee, a Local Government Initiatives Subcommittee, to be chaired by local jurisdictions. The TAC will discuss this at the next meeting and consider methods of selecting the chair and future rotation among the local jurisdictions.

ITEM #7-MEMO TAC SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR

The Technical Advisory Committee agrees to follow the above rotation of committee chairs for this year and would like the Executive Committee's concurrence with the approach.