

# Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee

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## MEETING NOTICE

**Date: June 24, 2009**

**Time: 12:00 pm– 2:00 pm**

**Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments  
777 North Capitol St., NE, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Board Room  
Washington, D.C. 20002**

*Lunch will be available for members at 11:30 a.m.*

## AGENDA

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| <b>12:00</b> | <b>1. Public Comment Period, Chair's Remarks</b>  |
| <b>12:15</b> | <b>2. Committee Reports</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>A. Technical Advisory Committee</b></li><li><b>B. Air Quality Public Advisory Committee</b></li><li><b>C. Clean Air Partners</b></li></ul> |
| <b>12:40</b> | <b>3. Federal Initiatives: Renewable Fuel Standards, Fuel Efficiency, Cash for Clunkers</b>   |
| <b>1:00</b>  | <b>4. Conformity Results for 2009 CLRP and 2010-2015 TIP And Draft Comment Letter (ACTION)</b>  |
| <b>1:20</b>  | <b>5. Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Projects, Inclusion in the SIP</b>   |
| <b>1:30</b>  | <b>6. Ozone SIP Timeline and Processes</b>  |
| <b>1:40</b>  | <b>7. State and Local Air Reports</b>   |
| <b>1:45</b>  | <b>8. New Business</b>  |
| <b>2:00</b>  | <b>9. Set Date for Next Meeting, Adjourn</b><br><b>Next Meeting Date: <i>September 23</i></b>   |

**Item: 1. Public Comment, Approval of Minutes, Announcements, Chairman's Report**

**Presenter: Hon. Phil Mendelson, MWAQC Chair**

**Description:**

After the public comment period, Chair will call for approval of Meeting Summary for May 27, 2009, and for amendments to the agenda.

**Recommended Action:**

Approve minutes

**Item: 2. Committee Reports**

- **Report of the Technical Advisory Committee  
Tom Ballou, Chair**
- **Report of the Air Quality Public Advisory Committee  
Deron Lovaas, Chair**
- **Report of the Clean Air Partners  
Harriet West, Managing Director**

**Item 3. Federal Initiatives: Renewable Fuel Standards, Fuel Efficiency, Cash for Clunkers**

**Presenter:** Jeff King, Senior Environmental Planner

**Description:**

Staff will review several recent federal announcements that are intended to reduce mobile source air pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions:

- EPA recently announced the second phase of a Renewable Fuel Standard including standards for four biofuels.
- White House announced regulation of greenhouse gas emissions from motor vehicles
- New CAFÉ standards
- House passed Cash for Clunkers bill

**Recommended Action:**

Receive briefing

**Materials:**

Powerpoint Presentation

Summary Document

**Item 4: Conformity Results for 2009 CLRP and 2010-2015 TIP  
And Draft Comment Letter (ACTION)**

**Presenter: Joan Rohlf, Chief, Air Quality Planning**

**Description:**

TPB has released the Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2009 Update of the Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP) and FY2010-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Staff will discuss the conformity assessment results and present a draft comment letter from MWAQC on the assessment. The public comment period ends on July 11, 2009.

**Recommended Action:**

*Vote on proposed comment letter*

**Materials:**

Draft Comment Letter

Summary of Conformity Results

**Item 5. Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Projects,  
Inclusion in the SIP**

**Presenter:** Jeff King, Senior Environmental Planner

**Description:**

Energy efficiency and renewable energy projects are included as part of a Voluntary Bundle in the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the ozone and the fine particle standards. Staff will discuss how the demand for renewable energy is affecting these projects.

**Recommended Action:**

Briefing

**Materials:**

Update on Regional Wind Purchase Program in the Washington, DC-MD-VA Region

**Item 6: Ozone SIP Timeline and Processes**

**Presenter: Joan Rohlfs, Chief, Air Quality Planning**

**Description:**

The Ozone Transport Commission (OTC) a Regional Planning Organization created by the Clean Air Act to plan on behalf of the northeast and mid-Atlantic states affected by transported ozone pollution. The OTC recently held its annual meeting and reported on progress to develop controls to reduce ozone levels to meet the new 75 ppb standard. Staff will report on the timeline to meet the new ozone air quality standard, measures being considered in the OTC region, and the transition to MOVES, a new mobile emissions model.

**Recommended Action:**

Briefing

**Materials:**

Powerpoint