

**MWAQC Technical Advisory Committee**  
**1-Page Summary of Policy-Relevant Issues April 14, 2006**

Key policy-relevant issues discussed at the April 14 conference call are summarized below.

Attainment Modeling Results

- The Attainment Modeling Subcommittee met to discuss potential control strategy runs for the region for 2009. The next modeling scenario will reflect On-the-Books and On-the-Way Controls, including CAIR, plus additional VOC and NO<sub>x</sub> reductions from "new" local controls, plus additional controls across broader region (the Ozone Transport Region). Results are expected by June.

Emissions Inventory

- Emission inventories for 2009 are still being finalized for each source category. Once local SIP inventories are completed, they will be used to calculate RFP requirements and will need to be reconciled with the modeling inventory.
- The 3 state air agencies reached final decisions on inputs for mobile modeling, including use of the VIN decoder, a new method to estimate annual emissions using a seasonal approach, and inputs for modeling the impact of potential chip reflash initiatives for heavy duty diesel trucks.

Control Measures Development

- The control measure workgroup met to develop recommendations for control strategy scenarios for future control case modeling. The group recommended the following measures be evaluated by the Attainment Modeling Subcommittee: AIMS Phase II, Consumer Products Phase II, the OTC Corridor Strategy, and controls on Distributed Generation, ICI Boilers, Portland Cement Facilities, and industrial incineration. Home heating oil standards, and airport emissions cap, and an innovative measures bundle will also be modeled.
- The control measures workgroup continues to evaluate Reasonably Available Control Measures (RACM) for the mobile source sector for potential adoption for the 8-hour ozone SIP.

Conformity Subcommittee

- Cooperative Forecasts Round 7 will be updated to Round 7A to reflect the land use changes associated with the new baseball stadium in the District.
- WMATA has proposed to remove the transit constraint once funding commitments have been finalized. Transit ridership is currently capped at 2010 levels.

State Update

- In Maryland, the Healthy Air Act was passed by the General Assembly and signed by the Governor. The law was revised to make the provisions similar to the requirements of the Clean Power Rule.
- The Clean Power Rule was approved by the Air Quality Control Advisory Council to advance to the Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review Committee. MDE expects the rule to be adopted by June/July.
- The Healthy Air Act requires Maryland to join the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) in 2007.
- In Virginia, the legislature will meet to amend the Clean Smokestacks Act to include requirements for mercury controls on the Mirant Potomac River Generating Station.

Upcoming Events

- TPB (Approve Conformity Scope). April 19.
- AQPAC. April 17.
- MWAQC Work Session. April 26.
- Mid Atlantic Diesel Collaborative Workgroup Calls. April 18, 19.
- Local Government Initiatives Subcommittee. April 20, May 4.
- Attainment Subcommittee. April 28, May 4.
- Airports Workgroup Call. May 8.
- Ozone and PM daily forecasts begin. May 1.