

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT FOR REPORTING AIR QUALITY DATA FOR
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON REGION**

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) was certified in 1992 by the governors of Maryland and Virginia, and the mayor of the District of Columbia to develop a regional ground-level ozone control strategy for the Washington, DC-MD-VA non-attainment area; and

WHEREAS, the Washington, DC-MD-VA metropolitan region does not meet the national public health standard for ozone and fine particles; and

WHEREAS, air pollution caused by high levels of ozone and/or fine particles adversely affect health, particularly children and people with heart or respiratory problems; and

WHEREAS, COG reports air quality on a daily basis so that people can take appropriate actions to protect their health and reduce air pollution; and

WHEREAS, the states of Maryland and the District of Columbia designated the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality to be the lead agency to pass through Clean Air Action Section 105 air quality grant funds to the Metropolitan Washington region for the purpose of reporting air quality data.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

The Board will be asked to adopt R44-10, authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to seek \$25,000 in funding from the Virginia Dept. of Environmental Quality for COG's FY 2011 § 105 Air Pollution Control Program. The request is to prepare and report daily air quality index and levels for the Washington Metropolitan area, to coordinate energy operation procedures during air pollution episodes and to update the air quality trends data for the region. COG's required match for this request is \$13,000 and is included in the FY 2011 work program and budget.

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