MWAQC Technical Advisory Committee 1-Page Summary of Policy-Relevant Issues December 8, 2006

Key policy-relevant issues discussed at the December 8 meeting are summarized below.

Attainment Modeling

 Quality assurance reviews of recent attainment modeling runs identified an error in processing of mobile emissions outside of the region. Revised corrected results are expected in January.

SIP Status

- Outstanding SIP items include contingency planning and attainment modeling results.
- Delays in completing recent attainment modeling runs will result in a change to the SIP schedule.

Conformity Subcommittee

- Transportation Control Measures and Vehicle, Fuel, or Maintenance-based Measures will be
 included in the SIP. Reductions from these measures in 2008 and 2009 need to be reflected in
 the mobile budgets.
- Mobile emissions are being estimated for 2010 to determine the extent of possible reductions available for contingency planning.
- TPB will soon release the Call for Projects for the 2007 CLRP and 2008-2013 TIP.

Contingency Planning

- The 8-hour ozone SIP will require a contingency plan for potential attainment or RFP failures. Emission reductions in the amount of 3 percent of the adjusted 2002 base case inventory must be available for implementation in 2010/2011.
- An 18 percent plan may satisfy the contingency requirement for RFP failures.
- Potential contingency measures for attainment failures are still being evaluated.

CAL LEV II

- Under the Clean Air Act, states are allowed to adopt the California motor vehicle emission standards, otherwise known as CAL LEV II.
- NOx and VOC reductions from adoption of CAL LEV II standards will not be available until after 2009. CAL LEV II standards also require reductions of CO₂ and air toxics emissions.

Local Government Initiatives

• Formal commitment letters from the local jurisdictions will be needed by the end of January for inclusion in the SIP.

Stakeholder Nominations

• Stakeholder nominations need to be submitted by December 29, 2006.

State Air Agency Update

• The state air agencies are working to prepare CAIR/CAMR SIPs and to promulgate regulations to implement the OTC model rules.

Upcoming Events

- AQPAC. December 11, 2006
- MWAQC. December 13, 2006.