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August 23, 2006

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**RE: Resolutions No. 2006-031 and 2006-032
8-Hour Ozone State Implementation Plan Recommendations**

Dear Director Koncelik: *Joe*

In accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding dated November 1, 2005, under which NOACA has acted as a § 174 agency under the federal Clean Air Act, enclosed please find the Resolutions of the NOACA Governing Board as they pertain to the 8-Hour Ozone State Implementation Plan that your office will be submitting to the United States Environmental Protection Agency in June 2007.

Resolution No. 2006-031, adopted August 11, 2006, sets forth 27 measures designed to bring Northeast Ohio into attainment by the federal deadline.

Resolution No. 2006-032, adopted August 11, 2006, expresses support for an extension of time on the federal deadline, if one could be achieved without redesignating the area to "serious nonattainment."

Background documents are also included, as noted at the end of this letter, based upon the 15 months of work performed by the NOACA Air Quality Public Advisory Task Force and the NOACA EAC Air Quality Subcommittee. Their work provided the basis on which the NOACA Governing Board has made these recommendations to your office.

The Board endorsed each Resolution unanimously, although there was considerable discussion regarding the potential economic impact of the various recommendations on Northeast Ohio. We were assured by Bill Skowronski, Director, OEPA-NEDO, that your office takes economic impact into consideration in the promulgation of rules.

NOACA will be able to take the lead on the local programs and projects that are related to mobile sources. We look forward to being able to continue to assist in the greater effort of reaching attainment of the 8-Hour Ozone NAAQS in 2010.

Mr. Joseph P. Koncelik, Director
August 23, 2006
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Thank you for your consideration of these recommendations. Please do not hesitate to call me or my staff if you should have questions.

Sincerely,

NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY



Howard R. Maier, FAICP
Executive Director

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Enclosures

- Resolution No. 2006-031 with accompanying memo to the NOACA Governing Board
- Resolution No. 2006-032 with accompanying memo to the NOACA Governing Board
- Memorandum of Understanding dated November 1, 2005
- Final Report of the NOACA EAC Air Quality Subcommittee on 8-Hour Ozone Recommendations
- Ohio University Preliminary Report on "Evaluation of 2009 Alternative Emission Reductions for Northeast Ohio"
- Final Report of the NOACA Air Quality Public Advisory Task Force on 8-Hour Ozone Options