

**BEFORE THE AIR QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION
STATE OF COLORADO**

PREHEARING STATEMENT – DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

In the matter of proposed revisions to Ambient Air Quality Standards Regulation, Regulation Numbers 3, 7, and 11 for the Denver Metropolitan and North Front Range Area Ozone Action Plan

Statement of Factual and Legal Issues

The Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) supports the Draft Ozone Action Plan dated September 8, 2008, including its proposed emission budgets. We note that the Plan will have a direct impact on the ability of the region to demonstrate conformity of amended Regional Transportation Plans and Transportation Improvement Programs over the next several years. We will continue to work with air quality agencies to implement improved techniques to travel demand and air quality models to more accurately calculate motor vehicle emissions in future conformity determinations. At this time we do not have any issues with the Ozone Action Plan. However, we will continue to monitor and review any further party comments or proposed alternative changes to the original Draft Ozone Action Plan.

Witnesses and Time Allocation at Hearing

Steve Cook will testify for DRCOG at the hearing. It is estimated that 5 minutes will be needed.

Respectfully submitted this 18th day of November 2008.



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