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Mobile Sources Technical Review Subcommittee

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Welcome Message

MSTRS Meeting of Wednesday, October 16, 2002

Welcome to a meeting of the Mobile Sources Technical Review Subcommittee (MSTRS). These meetings are held three times a year and are open to the public. Background information on the Subcommittee and its work is below. The meetings for 2002 are February 13, June 12 and October 16. The meetings for 2003 will be February 12, June 11 and October 15. Most meetings will be held in the Washington DC area. Notices that include a list of the topics on the agenda should be posted in the Federal Register at least 15 days in advance of each meeting. Agendas, minutes and other information are available at the Subcommittee's website at:

http://epa.gov/air/caaac/mobile_sources.html

Background information on the MSTRS and its parent, the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee, is below. The technical content of this agenda packet is identical to the one provided to the members.

At the meetings, only members (or their alternates) and invited speakers will be seated around the table and can be identified with name tags and tent cards. Observers and other non-member attendees must sit on the sides of the room.

Thank you for your interest in the MSTRS. If you sign in at the registration desk, you will receive advance notification of the next meeting. For questions, comments or suggestions, please visit the website or contact Cheryl Hogan, the Alternate Designated Federal Official, at the address below.

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Background on the Mobile Sources Technical Review Subcommittee

The MSTRS is composed of approximately 30 technical experts drawn from a wide range of stakeholder organizations. Included on the roster are individuals from the automotive industry (vehicles, engines and components), energy companies, academia, public interest groups, state/regional/local governments and specialized consultants. As a result of the workgroup structure employed to address specific areas, almost 200 people are involved in the work of this subcommittee. Meetings of the full subcommittee are held three times annually. Workgroups conduct a total of approximately a dozen meetings during a year. Since its formation in 1996, the MSTRS has presented several major reports and recommendations to the CAAAC which, in turn, have been forwarded to the Agency for its consideration and action. The CAAAC maintains a public website at: http://epa.gov/air/caaac

The Subcommittee provides the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC) with independent advice, counsel and recommendations on the scientific and technical aspects of programs related to mobile source air pollution and motor fuels. Through its various workgroups, the MSTRS addresses a wide range of developments, issues and research areas such as emissions modeling, air toxics, innovative and incentive-based transportation policies, on-board diagnostics, heavy-duty engines and in-use testing.