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Public Works Director

Ozone Advance c/o Laura Bunte, US Environmental Protection Agency Office of Air Quality Planning & Standards Mail Code C304-01 109 TW Alexander Drive

Dear Ms. Bunte:

Research Triangle Park, NC 27711

The City of Omaha's Public Works, Air Quality Control (OAQC), Douglas County Health Department (DCHD), and the Omaha Council Bluffs Metro Area Planning Agency (MAPA) jointly submit this letter of interest to work with the EPA and its Ozone Advance program in the Metro Area We wish to join this partnership with the EPA to preserve the air quality in the Omaha Metro Area, and we meet the program eligibility criteria, i.e.

- 1. The Omaha Metro Area is currently in attainment for both the 1997 8 hr & the 2008 ozone National Ambient air Quality Standards (NAAQS),
- 2. The Omaha Metro Area includes in Nebraska Cass, Douglas, Saunders, Sarpy and Washington Counties, and in Iowa, Harrison, Mills and Pottawattamie Counties.
- 3. The Ozone monitors in the metro area are located at:

In Omaha:

2411 O St;

Design value (high 2006=70; low 2010, 2011=57)

11414 N 72 Street

Design Value (high 2001 = 69, low 2010 = 51) Deactivated 2011

30th & Fort Street

Design Value (high 2006 = 68; low 2002, 2003 = 55)

4102 Woolworth

Design Value (2011=66) Added 2011

In Harrison County Iowa:

1575 HWY 183, Pisgah, IA

Design Value (high 2002, 2003 = 77; low 2010 = 62)

206 Polk Street, Pisgah, IA

Design Value (High 2010 = 67, low 2009 63) Added 2009

4. OAQC is working with EPA Region VII on submitting the industrial emissions inventory for Omaha. The submittal is scheduled to be completed by the end of May 2012.

We understand that our efforts under Ozone Advance may benefit Omaha Metro Area by potentially:

- o Reducing air pollution in terms of ozone as well as other air pollutants,
- o Ensuring continued healthy ozone levels,
- o Maintaining the ozone NAAOS.
- o Helping avoid violations of the ozone NAAQS that could lead to a future nonattainment designation,
- o Increasing public awareness about ground-level ozone as an air pollutant, and
- Targeting limited resources toward actions to address ozone problems quickly.

Our goal is to implement measures and programs to reduce ozone in Omaha Metro Area in the near term. We agree to that it is in our best interest to work together and in coordination with stakeholders and the public to proactively pursue this goal.

I can be reached at (402) 444-6015 and by e-mail <u>Daniel.May@ci.omaha.ne.us</u>;

Sincerely,

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Date

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Executive Director

Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA)

Date

Attachment

The Omaha /Council Bluff Metro area is in attainment with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Omaha, as reflected in the design values for the area monitors:

	,			4102 Woolworth		1575 HWY
	30th Fort St,	11414 N 72nd	2411 O Street,	Avenue, Omaha,	Street, Pisgah,	183, Pisgah,
	Omaha, NE	St, Omaha, NE	Omaha, NE	NE NE	IA	IA
2001	64	69	62			74
2002	55	68	63			77
2003	55	68	63			77
2004	60	· 68	68			74
2005	66	67	67			75
2006	68	65	70			75
2007	66	63	69			75
2008	62	58	65		Added 2009	67
2009	60	52	59		63	63
2010	61	51	57	Ncore Added 2011	67	62
2011	61	Deactivated 2011	57	66	65	66