

## Citizens Advisory Council

## to the Department of Environmental Protection

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The Honorable Michael Krancer Secretary Department of Environmental Protection P.O. Box 2063 Harrisburg, PA 17105-2063

Dear Secretary Krancer:

The Citizens Advisory Council is pleased to submit its Five-Year Report summarizing Council's air activities from July 2007 through June 2012.

We have prepared this report pursuant to Section 4.3 of Act 95, Pennsylvania's Air Pollution Control Act, which requires the department to conduct and submit to the General Assembly an evaluation of the effectiveness of the programs adopted to implement the federal Clean Air Act. The evaluation is also required to include a summary of Council's air activities.

Our report includes Council's comments from April 2009 on the department's previous five-year evaluation (2002-2007). We continue to recommend that the department view the five-year study as more than a statutory obligation, but rather an opportunity to step back and invest in critically assessing the progress that has been made and what remains to be done. This five-year report could be an opportunity to review progress made and look forward, with both state and federal programs.

Council is proud of the service and contributions it has provided through its Air Committee; and we look forward to continuing its productive relationship with the department when considering future air policies and programs that affect Pennsylvania. Please contact Marge Hughes at 717.787.4527 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

John Walliser

Chair

Enclosures

cc: Vincent Brisini, Deputy Secretary for Waste, Air, Radiation and Remediation

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