

Citizens Advisory Council

to the Department of Environmental Protection

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Ms. Joyce E. Epps Director Bureau of Air Quality P.O. Box 8468 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8468

Dear Ms. Epps:

On March 12, 2014, staff from the Bureau of Air Quality (Bureau) briefed members of the Citizens Advisory Council (Council) Policy and Regulatory Oversight Committee (Committee) on three draft proposed regulations designed to reduce VOC emissions from certain industrial processes. These rulemakings included the following:

- Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials;
- Miscellaneous Metal Parts Surface Coating Processes, Miscellaneous Plastic Parts Surface Coating Processes, and Pleasure Craft Surface Coatings;
- Industrial Cleaning Solvents

With the exception of the Industrial Cleaning Solvents rulemaking, the Committee recommended to Council at its March 18, 2014, meeting that it concurs with its recommendation that the rulemakings proceed to the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) for action. Regarding the Industrial Cleaning Solvents rulemaking, the Committee suggested to Council that it refrain from recommending that the rulemaking move forward to the EQB until the Bureau could provide Council with additional background information on the rulemaking, including details concerning the number of facilities potentially impacted by the regulation in Pennsylvania, as well as the anticipated implementation costs to the regulated community. Council adopted the recommendations of the Committee at its March 18, 2014, meeting.

Council appreciates the Bureau's cooperation in providing briefings on air regulations to the Committee and would be happy to meet with Bureau staff in the near future to further discuss the Industrial Cleaning Solvents rulemaking. If you have any questions regarding Council's action on the above-referenced regulations, please contact me at 717-787-8171 or at mtate@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

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