March 18, 2016

Ms. Joyce E. Epps
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Dear Ms. Epps:

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 7.6 of the Air Pollution Control Act, on March 2, 2016, staff from the Bureau of Air Quality briefed the Citizens Advisory Council (Council) Policy and Regulatory Oversight Committee (Committee) on the draft final rulemaking for Control of Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Emissions from Miscellaneous Metal Parts Surface Coating Processes, Miscellaneous Plastic Parts Surface Coating Processes, and Pleasure Craft Surface Coatings. The final rulemaking amends 25 Pa. Code Chapter 129 to establish VOC emission limitations and other requirements consistent with the recommendations of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s 2008 Control Techniques Guidelines for Miscellaneous Metal and Plastic Parts Coatings for what constitutes reasonably available control technology for the control of VOC emissions from miscellaneous metal and plastic parts coatings in ozone nonattainment areas and the Ozone Transport Region.

On the recommendation of the Committee, Council voted at their March 15, 2016, meeting to concur with advancing the above-referenced draft final regulations to the Environmental Quality Board for action.

Council appreciates the Bureau’s cooperation in providing detailed briefings on air regulations. If you have any questions regarding Council’s action on the above-referenced regulations, please contact me at 717.705.2693 or by email at khethering@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

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