

Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee

to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

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February 11, 2016

Honorable John Quigley
Secretary
Department of Environmental Protection
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Re: Final Rulemaking for Control of VOC Emissions from Automobile and Light-duty Truck Assembly Coating Operations (25 Pa. Code Chapter 129)

Dear Secretary Quigley:

On February 11, 2016, the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee (Committee) discussed the final rulemaking draft Annex A to amend 25 Pa. Code Chapter 129 (relating to standards for sources). The final rulemaking draft Annex A adds provisions to Chapter 129 at § 129.52e to implement the recommendations of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Control Techniques Guidelines for control of emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) from automobile and light-duty truck assembly coatings. The proposed rulemaking was published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on August 8, 2015 (45 Pa. B. 4351).

The amendments are being added to meet the requirements of the Clean Air Act to implement “reasonably available control technology” (RACT) measures for ozone nonattainment areas. The final-form VOC emission and content limits for coatings and the work practice requirements for coating-related activities and cleaning materials are consistent with the recommendations of the EPA set forth as RACT in the Control Techniques Guideline document issued for this source category.

The Committee voted 16-0-1 (yes; no; abstain) to concur with the Department’s recommendation to present the final rulemaking amendments to the Environmental Quality Board for consideration for adoption and publication as final rulemaking.

Sincerely,



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Chair

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