Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee

to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
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Honorable Michael L. Krancer Secretary Department of Environmental Protection Rachel Carson State Office Building P.O. Box 2063 Harrisburg, PA 17105-2063

Re: Final-omitted rulemaking for the repeal of St. Joe Resources alternative compliance standard

Dear Secretary Krancer:

On June 23, 2011, the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee (Committee) discussed the final-omitted rulemaking to repeal requirements in 25 *Pa. Code* § 128.21 (relating to St. Joe Resources Company; Potter Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania.), promulgated at 16 *Pa.B.* 521 (February 22, 1986). The regulation provided an alternative sulfur dioxide emissions compliance standard for the St. Joe Resources Company (now doing business as Horsehead Industries, Inc.) located in Beaver County.

Horsehead Industries' current Title V operating permit contains the requirements of § 123.22(d) (relating to combustion units) for the coal-fired boilers at this facility. Continuous emissions monitoring system (CEMS) data indicates the boilers now meet the sulfur compound emissions standards in § 123.22(d) due to a change to low sulfur fuel with lime injection and natural gas. The alternative compliance standard in § 128.21 is no longer necessary for this Horsehead facility to be in compliance.

The Committee voted 15-0-0 to concur with the Department's recommendation to present the final-omitted rulemaking to the Environmental Quality Board for consideration.

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Sincerely,

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