

Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee

to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

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Dear Secretary Hanger:

On May 28, 2009, the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee discussed proposed amendments to 25 *Pa. Code* Chapters 121 and 129 (relating to general provisions; and standards for sources). The proposed amendments would add a new term and definition under § 121.1 (relating to definitions) and revise one existing term and definition, and add § 129.52b (relating to control of VOC emissions from paper, film and foil surface coating processes).

The proposed rulemaking would establish emission limits and work practice standards for these processes consistent with the volatile organic compound emissions control recommendations of the 2007 control techniques guidelines issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to meet the Clean Air Act "reasonably available control measures" requirement for ozone nonattainment areas.

The Committee concurred with the Department's recommendation to present the proposed amendments, with modifications as needed based on committee members' questions, to the Environmental Quality Board for approval for publication as a proposed rulemaking with a minimum 60-day public comment period and three public hearings.

Sincerely,



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Chair