

MEMORANDUM

To: APCD Community Advisory Committee

From: Dave Van Mullem (961-8853)

Subject: APCD Activities Relating to Recent Developments on Marine Shipping Rules

Date: October 9, 2013

The APCD has been working to ensure that international regulations to reduce air pollution from marine shipping remain in place.

In 2011, the International Maritime Organization (IMO) established the North American Emission Control Area (ECA), which took effect in August of 2012. A range of fuel and engine rules affecting large ships traveling up to 200 nautical miles off the North American coast are being phased in over time. Some recent challenges to ECA rules have threatened to undermine the anticipated pollution reductions.

The Director will brief the CAC on APCD activities relating to challenges to these international rules, and the recent positive outcome of a court case.