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June 12, 2013

Ozone Advance  
c/o Laura Bunte  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, C304-01  
Research Triangle Park, NV 27711

**Re: Ozone Advance Program**

Dear Ms. Bunte:

The Clark County Department of Air Quality (DAQ) would like to participate in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Ozone Advance Program. DAQ is the air pollution control agency for Clark County, Nevada. Established by the Clark County Board of County Commissioners in 2001, the department administers a variety of programs to improve the health and welfare of our citizens by ensuring that the quality of the air in Clark County meets federal health-based standards.

In May 2012, EPA designated Clark County in attainment/unclassifiable for the 2008 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) of 75 parts per billion (ppb). EPA also approved DAQ's request to redesignate Clark County to attainment for the 1997 8-hr ozone NAAQS of 80 ppb in January 2013, with an effective date of February 7, 2013.

Information regarding the Clark County's ambient air quality monitors can be found in the *Annual Network Plan Report* at:

<http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/Depts/AirQuality/Documents/Monitoring/20120619CY2012NETWORKPLAN.pdf>. In addition, DAQ is fulfilling the emissions inventory requirements outlined in the EPA *Air Emissions Reporting Rule* (*Federal Register*, Vol. 73, p. 76539).

DAQ understands that our efforts under the Ozone Advance Program may benefit Clark County by:

- Reducing ozone and other air pollutant levels.
- Maintaining the ozone NAAQS.

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- Helping avoid NAAQS violations that could lead to a future nonattainment designation.
- Increasing public awareness about ground-level ozone as an air pollutant.
- Applying limited resources to actions to address ozone problems quickly.

DAQ also acknowledges that EPA may provide preferred status to Ozone Advance Program participants applying for existing grant programs, such as its Diesel Emissions Reduction Act program.

In summary, our goal is to investigate and analyze ozone exceedances and causes so as to reduce ozone concentrations in Clark County. DAQ agrees that it is in our best interest to coordinate with EPA, local stakeholders, and the public to proactively pursue this goal.

We look forward to being received into the Ozone Advance Program, at which time we will provide additional information as requested. If you have any questions on this, or need more information, please contact Robert Tekniepe at (702) 455-4063 [tekniepe@clarkcountynv.gov](mailto:tekniepe@clarkcountynv.gov). Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to participate in this program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Wallenmeyer".

Lewis Wallenmeyer, Director

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cc:

Karina O'Connor, EPA Region 9  
John Kelly, EPA Region 9