

**Summary Minutes of the  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC)  
Public Teleconference  
December 6, 2010  
10:00am – 11:00am**

CASAC Members: Dr. Jonathan Samet, Chair  
Dr. Ted Russell  
Dr. Joe Brain  
Dr. Helen Suh  
Dr. Kathleen Weathers  
Mr. George Allen

Purpose: To review the draft letter on *Policy Assessment for the Review of the Secondary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for NOx and SOx: Second Draft*

Designated Federal Officer: Dr. Holly Stallworth, Designated Federal Officer

Other EPA Staff: Karen Martin, Rich Scheffe

Public: John J. Jansen (Southern Company), Linda Wilson (NY Attorney General's Office), Tim Morphy (Teledyne), Andrew Childers (Inside EPA)

Meeting Materials and Meeting Webpage:

The materials listed below may be found on the meeting webpage at:

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- Agenda
- Federal Register Notice
- Draft 11/29/10 CASAC Letter on *Policy Assessment for the Review of the Secondary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for NOx and SOx: Second Draft*

Meeting Summary

The discussion followed the plan presented in the meeting agenda.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2010**

Dr. Stallworth convened the meeting and explained that CASAC operates under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Dr. Karen Martin of EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards thanked the Panel for their work and stated that the 3<sup>rd</sup> draft *Policy Assessment* would be available shortly after the New Year. Dr. Russell walked the

members through the letter and responses to charge questions. CASAC members discussed whether the Atmospheric Acidification Protection Index (AAPI) was appropriately named given that the goal is to minimize acidification while maximizing protection. One member questioned whether the administrative complexities associated with AAPI should be described separately from its technical complexity. Another member requested that the letter be more explicit about EPA's relative priorities for future research. Members agreed that the next face-to-face meeting of the CASAC Oxides of Nitrogen and Sulfur Oxides Secondary National Ambient Air Quality Standards Review Panel should be mentioned (announced by Dr. Stallworth as slated for February 15 – 16, 2011) before closing the letter. Members were in general agreement with the letter while offering minor clarifying edits.

Before adjourning, Dr. Stallworth said the letter would be revised to incorporate the members' comments and transmitted to the Administrator.

On Behalf of the Committee,  
Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Stallworth, Ph.D. /s/  
Designated Federal Officer

Certified as True:

Jonathan Samet, M.D. /s/  
Chair, Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee  
Sulfur Oxides Primary NAAQS Review Panel

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