PEER REVIEW PLAN

Title:	Report to Congress on Black Carbon
Purpose/Objective:	In the October 2009 Interior Appropriations bill, Congress requested that EPA, in consultation with other Federal agencies, study the emissions and impacts of black carbon in the US and internationally. To fulfill this charge, EPA has conducted an intensive effort to compile, assess, and summarize available scientific information on the current and future impacts of black carbon, and to evaluate the effectiveness of available mitigation approaches and technologies for protecting climate, public health, and the environment.
Product Completion Date (Projected):	03/31/2012
OMB Category:	Influential
Peer Review Leader:	Erika Sasser email: sasser.erika@epa.gov

External Peer Review Mechanism:	Nominated to the Science Advisory Board for Peer Review
Peer Review Expected to Begin:	1st Quarter, Fiscal Year 2011
	EPA's Fiscal Years run from October to September. Quarters for Fiscal Year 2011: 1st: October - December, 2010 2nd: January - March, 2011 3rd: April - June, 2011 4th: July - September, 2011

Was a deferral to peer review invoked?	No
Will an alternative peer review process be employed?	No
Number of Peer Reviewers	more than 10
Primary Disciplines needed in the review:	Chemistry-Atmospheric, Monitoring and Assessment-Environmental , Global and Regional Climate Modeling, Health Effects of Black Carbon and Fine Particulate Matter

Who will select the reviewers?	EPA
Will the public, including scientific or professional societies be asked to nominate peer reviewers?	Yes
Will public nominations be allowed through the Peer Review Agenda?	No
Will there be opportunity for public comment on the product?	Yes
Describe How and When	EPA Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis public meetings
Will the Agency provide significant and relevant public comments to the peer reviewers before they conduct their review?	No
Will the review be a panel, conducted in public?	Yes
Will public comments be allowed at the panel review?	Yes