

# PEER REVIEW PLAN

Title: Policy Assessment for the Particulate Matter NAAQS Review

Purpose/Objective: The Policy Assessment (PA) is intended to help “bridge the gap” between the relevant scientific information and assessments and the judgments required of the EPA Administrator in determining whether, and if so how, it is appropriate to revise the NAAQS for PM. This work was reviewed by the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC). There was an initial CASAC Consultation on a preliminary draft Policy Assessment followed by CASAC reviews of the 1st and 2nd draft Policy Assessment.

Product Completion Date (Actual): 04/15/2011

OMB Category: Highly Influential

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External Peer Review Mechanism: Nominated to the Science Advisory Board for Peer Review

Peer Review Expected to Begin: 1st Quarter, Fiscal Year 2010

EPA's Fiscal Years run from October to September.  
Quarters for Fiscal Year 2010:  
1st: October - December, 2009  
2nd: January - March, 2010  
3rd: April - June, 2010  
4th: July - September, 2010

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: , Toxicology, Risk Assessment, Air Quality, Epidemiology, Exposure Assessment

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	CASAC meetings 2009 and 2010	
Will the Agency provide significant and relevant public comments to the peer reviewers before they conduct their review?		Yes
Will the review be a panel, conducted in public?		Yes
Will public comments be allowed at the panel review?		Yes