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Discussion of MOBILE6 Workshop Expectations and Peer and Stakeholder Review Procedures

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Expectations for this Workshop




- Objective - Present updated EPA proposals, and results where available, on aspects of MOBILE6; get additional feedback from stakeholders
- Facilitate discussion and obtain input from model users and stakeholders before final decisions are made on approaches

Expectations for this Workshop



- Comments in response to workshop presentations
 - Want to know IF substantive comments will be coming within 2 weeks (by 10/17/97)
 - Additional time allowed for submitting actual comments (by 10/31/97) on presentations made at this workshop
- Comments should be submitted in writing (by mail or to MOBILE group mailbox: **MOBILE@epamail.epa.gov**)

Comments

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- EPA plans to post comments at the OMS Web site (modeling section)
 - An open process requires comments to be available to all
 - Comments that include proprietary information and/or confidential business information would not be posted; such comments must be clearly labeled

MOBILE6 Schedule



- Target release date late in 1998 (beta version next summer)
- Delay in schedule should allow review as outlined below and revisions/updates of all major aspects of model

The Review Process




- Expanded participation
 - FACA Modeling Work Group
 - Public workshops (March and October 1997, next spring)
 - Extensive use of Web site and listserver
- Peer review (formal peer review following Agency guidance)
- Stakeholder review (model users & other affected parties)

Peer Review



- List of potential peer reviewers has been developed
- Reviewers to be “independent experts”
- Stakeholder review distinct from peer review under current Agency guidance, but considered very important from our perspective

Stakeholder Review Procedures

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- Objective - Ensure that revisions to MOBILE model are reviewed by wide range of parties
 - Review procedures
 - Notification of revision or change (listserver, Web site)
 - EPA to provide adequate materials for review
 - Allow 60 days for comments
 - Respond to comments before final decisions or model release
 - Continue to conduct public workshops

Stakeholder Review



- Following recommendations of Modeling Work Group
- EPA allowing 60 days for comments on specific materials (proposals, reports, analyses)
- EPA to summarize comments received and provide responses
- Comments to be posted at Web site

Stakeholder Review



- Automotive and petroleum industries
- State and local/regional air quality and transportation agencies
- Other Federal agencies
- Environmental organizations

Stakeholder Review



- Materials will be posted on OMS Web Site, “models” page:
<http://www.epa.gov/omswww/models.htm>
- Announcements of availability of material for review and comment made primarily through the EPA-MOBILENEWS listserver
- Under “Stakeholder Review Documents” under MOBILE6

Documents Now Available for Review




- Update of Fleet Characterization Data (contractor report)
- Development of Speed Correction Cycles (EPA report)
- Comparison of Start Emissions in LA92 and ST01 Test Cycles (EPA report)

Summary



- Even if you commented after last workshop, new comments are encouraged from all interested parties
- Comments must be provided in writing (regular mail or to MOBILE group email address: **MOBILE@epamail.epa.gov**)

Summary

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- Bulk of results/analyses/reports will be forthcoming over next few months; critical that stakeholders stay abreast and respond in timely fashion
 - If not already subscribed to listserver, please do so