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MAJOR THEMES OF IMPLEMENTATION OF REVISED 03 & PM NAAQS & RH RULE

Flexibility

Reduced workload

Account for regional transport/ regional planning

Integrated approach

Common sense

Sound science

Incentives



HOW MAJOR THEMES ARE ADDRESSED AS OF NOW

- ! Less prescription under Subpart 1 vs. Subpart 2 & 4 in--
 - -- Attainment dates
 - --Reasonable further progress
 - --RACM/RACT
- ! Minimum number of nonattainment classifications
- ! Transitional classification benefits for early reductions--
 - --reduced workload
 - --less onerous NSR, conformity rule



HOW MAJOR THEMES ARE ADDRESSED AS OF NOW (CONT'D)

- ! Attainment Demonstrations:
 - Streamlined attainment demonstration
 - --8-hr O3(transitional areas)
 - --1-hr O3 (4/98 submission)
 - ! Use of models in relative rather than absolute sense.
 - ! Attainment demonstration tied more closely to air quality monitoring data, reducing level of uncertainty
- ! O3--NOx SIP call--assigning regional responsibility for control

HOW MAJOR THEMES ARE ADDRESSED AS OF NOW (CONT'D)

- ! RH & PM_{2.5}--Account for recommendations from WGA on regional haze
- ! Guidance on Regional Planning (forthcoming)
- ! Coordinated activities and timing on development of PM_{2.5} SIP and Regional Haze SIP
- ! More meaningful emergency episode procedures
- ! More flexible economic incentive guidance

