Notice of Public Hearing for the Supplemental Notice for the Finding of Significant Contribution and Rulemaking for Certain States in the Ozone Transport Assessment Group Region for Purposes of Reducing Regional Transport of Ozone (Ozone Transport Rulemaking)

- ! The EPA will conduct a public hearing on the proposed supplement to the ozone transport rulemaking on May 29, 1998 beginning at 9:00 am.
- ! The public hearing will be held at the EPA Auditorium at 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC, 20460. The metro stop for this location is Waterfront, which is on the green line.
- Persons planning to present oral testimony at the hearing should notify JoAnn Allman, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Air Quality Strategies and Standards Division, MD-15, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541-1815 no later than May 22, 1998. Oral testimony will be limited to 5 minutes each.
- **!** Persons planning to present oral testimony at the hearing should provide 5 copies of any written testimony at the registration desk on the day of the hearing.
- I Any member of the public may file a written statement before, during, or by the close of the comment period after the hearing. For written statements concerning the proposed amended 40 CFR Part 76, the hearing record will be kept open for 30 days after the hearing date, under section 307(d)(5)(iv) of the CAA to provide an opportunity for submission of rebuttal and supplementary information. Written statements (duplicate copies preferred) should be submitted to the Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center (6101), Attention: Docket No. A-96-56, US Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street SW, room M-1500, Washington, DC 20460, telephone (202) 260-7548.
- The EPA will accept oral and written testimony on all issues raised in the supplemental notice for proposed rulemaking, as well as comments concerning the implications that any such issues may have for issues raised in the November 7, 1997 notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR). In addition, on April 9, 1998 (63 FR 17349), EPA published a notice in the Federal Register that discussed additional items related to the November 7, 1998 NPR for which the Agency is reopening the comment period, namely, additional air quality modeling runs relevant to the issues raised in the NPR, as well as comments concerning the implications that any such additional runs may have for the State NO_x budgets under consideration in that rulemaking. The EPA is providing a 45-day comment period for all issues in the supplemental proposal. The reopened comment period for the issues identified above will coincide with the comment period for the supplemental proposal.
- ! A hearing schedule including a list of speakers will be posted on EPA's SIP call webpage at http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/otagsip.html prior to the hearing.
- ! Following the hearing, a verbatim transcript of the hearing and written statements will be

made available for copying during normal working hours at the Air and Radiation Docket Information Center at the above address. The Agency does not plan to schedule any additional hearings on the proposed rule.