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State, Local Air Pollution Regulators' Statement on EPA Denial of California's Waiver Request

(Washington, DC) – State and local clean air officials today decried EPA's denial of California's request for a waiver to allow that state, as well as at least a dozen others, to enforce a program requiring reductions in global warming emissions from cars. Following is the statement of Bill Becker, Executive Director of the National Association of Clean Air Agencies (NACAA), on the waiver decision:

“By refusing to grant California's waiver request for its new motor vehicle standards to control greenhouse gas emissions, the Administration has ignored the clear and very limited statutory criteria upon which this decision was to be based. Instead, it has issued a verdict that is legally and technically unjustified and indefensible.”

NACAA is the national association of air pollution control agencies in 53 states and territories and more than 165 metropolitan areas across the country. For more information on NACAA, go to www.4cleanair.org.

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