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Although attainment of both the federal PM2.5 standard and the federal 8-hour ozone standard will require efforts from the state and federal governments, the District is committed to doing its share. To ensure District accountability, the District will complete annual reports to show progress in fulfilling its ozone and particulate matter (PM) plan commitments. These reports will be made publicly available and will be presented to the Governing Board in April (to allow time for PM data compilation) of each year, beginning in 2008. The reports will include:

- A summary of progress made over the most recent calendar year in meeting the schedules for developing, adopting, and implementing the air pollution control measures in the District's attainment plans<sup>1</sup>.
- A table summarizing the proposed and actual dates for adoption and implementation of each measure.
- Air quality data from the year, showing progress towards attaining the national ambient air quality standards.
- A report of incentive funding, including the amount of funds awarded and the estimated reductions from grant-funded projects. Major elements of this part of the report would include the following:
  - Sources of funding
  - Expenditures
  - Types of projects funded
  - Actual versus predicted emissions reductions
  - Enforcement activities
    - Number and type of inspections conducted on grantees
    - Number of all grantees for whom there is evidence of noncompliance
    - List of enforcement actions taken by the District and the resultant penalties and remedies.
  - Description of the permanency of the funding sources and ideas for amending the program in the event of reduced funding.
- The status of vehicle use control measures implemented by city and county governments<sup>2</sup>.
- A comparison of predicted versus current "best estimates" of emissions reductions for each measure and a short explanation of any shortfalls or surplus as well as a plan for rectifying shortfalls.
- Status of State of California control measures (from ARB and DPR)

These reports will be above and beyond any similar reports required by the federal Clean Air Act or the California Clean Air Act.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Required by California Health and Safety Code Section 40924

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A state requirement, required by ARB's 1993 Guidance for Annual and Triennial Progress Reports Under the California Clean Air Act

