



## Division of Air Pollution Control

### Ohio's 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone Standard Draft Redesignation Request for the Cleveland-Akron-Lorain Area

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Ohio EPA held a public hearing in Twinsburg, OH on March 3, 2009, regarding the Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the Cleveland-Akron-Lorain Ozone Nonattainment Area. This document summarizes the comments and questions received at the public hearing and during the associated comment period, which ended on March 3, 2009.

Ohio EPA reviewed and considered all comments received during the public comment period. By law, Ohio EPA has authority to consider specific issues related to protection of the environment and public health.

In an effort to help you review this document, the questions are grouped by topic and organized in a consistent format. The name of the commenter follows the comment in parentheses.

#### General/Overall Concerns

**Comment 1:** I think there is an omission in the document on page 6. Under the background paragraph Lake County is not listed as monitor operators. We operate two sites in Lake County and 1 in Geauga. (Bert Mechenbier, Lake County General Health District)

Response 1: The document has been amended to include Lake County as a monitor operator.

**Comment 2:** I support Ohio EPA's request for recognition of improved air quality in the eight counties in the Cleveland/Akron area. A lot of effort has been made for years towards this objective including the E-check program. I fully support measures to improve air quality and thereby, public health. Improved public health should then be reduce medical costs in northeast Ohio, with benefits to children, seniors, worker productivity, and improved quality of life. (Edith Chase)

Response 2: Thank you for your support of the Cleveland-Akron-Lorain Ozone redesignation.