

May 7, 2013

The President  
The White House  
Washington DC.

RE: Tier 3 Motor Vehicle Emissions and Fuel Standards Program, Docket ID NO. EPA-HQ-OAR-2011-0135

Dear Mr. President:

We the undersigned health and medical organizations urge you to support cleaner, healthier air and adopt cleaner gasoline and vehicle emissions standards as soon as possible. The nation needs these stronger public health protections urgently to reduce dangerous air pollution from cars, light trucks and SUVs.

We have seen first-hand the effects of these harmful emissions. Motor vehicles are a major source of ozone forming pollution which triggers asthma attacks, worsens lung disease and shortens life. Cars, light trucks and SUVs contribute to particle pollution which threatens heart and lung health, as well as increases the risk of premature death. Emissions from these vehicles also add to the toxic burden of those who live or work near the nation's busy highways.

The new standards will protect our children, the elderly, those with chronic lung disease, heart disease or diabetes, and those who have low incomes. We strongly urge you to direct the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to issue final Cleaner Gasoline and Vehicle standards by December 31, 2013.

Sincerely,

**Alabama**

American Heart Association in Alabama  
American Lung Association in Alabama

**Alaska**

American Lung Association in Alaska

**Arizona**

American Lung Association in Arizona  
Arizona Public Health Association

**Arkansas**

American Lung Association in Arkansas

**California**

American Lung Association in California

California Chapter American College of Physicians

California Public Health Association – North

Fresno Madera Medical Society – Air Quality Committee

Health Care Without Harm

Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma

Los Angeles County Medical Association

Medical Advocates for Healthy Air

Regional Asthma Management & Prevention

San Francisco-Bay Area Chapter, Physicians for Social Responsibility

**Colorado**

American Lung Association in Colorado  
Boulder County Public Health

**Connecticut**

American Lung Association in Connecticut

**Delaware**

American Lung Association in Delaware

**District of Columbia**

American Lung Association in the District  
of Columbia

**Florida**

American Lung Association in Florida  
Florida Environmental Health Association  
Florida Chapter of Physicians for Social  
Responsibility  
Florida Physical Therapy Association

**Georgia**

American Lung Association in Georgia  
Mothers and Others for Clean Air  
Southeast Thoracic Association

**Hawaii**

American Lung Association in Hawaii

**Idaho**

American Lung Association in Idaho  
Central District Health Department  
Idaho Academy of Family Physicians  
Idaho Medical Association  
Idaho Public Health Association

**Illinois**

American Lung Association in Illinois  
Chicago Asthma Consortium  
Community Health Charities of Illinois  
The Illinois Healthy Schools Campaign  
Illinois Maternal and Child Health  
Coalition  
Illinois Public Health Association  
Illinois Society for Respiratory Care

**Indiana**

American Lung Association in Indiana

**Iowa**

American Lung Association in Iowa  
Iowa Public Health Association

**Kansas**

American Lung Association in Kansas

**Kentucky**

American Lung Association in Kentucky

**Louisiana**

American Lung Association in Louisiana

**Maine**

Healthy Communities of the Capital Area  
Maine Public Health Association  
AH! Asthma Health  
Washington County: One Community  
American Nurses Association-Maine  
Maine Association of School Nurses  
Piscataquis Public Health Council  
Maine Chapter, American Academy of  
Pediatrics  
American Lung Association in Maine  
Maine Health  
River Valley Healthy Communities  
Coalition  
Maine Chapter, American College of  
Physicians  
Maine Medical Association  
Maine Public Health Association  
Maine Healthy Air Coalition  
MCD Public Health

**Maryland**

Alliance of Nurses for Healthy  
Environments  
American Lung Association in Maryland  
Maryland Public Health Association

**Massachusetts**

American Lung Association in Massachusetts  
Boston Public Health Commission  
Breath of Life Dorchester (BOLD) Teens  
Cambridge Public Health Department  
Codman Square Neighborhood Council  
Common Pathways Community Health Network Area (CHNA) 8  
Health Resources in Action  
Holyoke Food and Fitness Policy Council  
Massachusetts Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance  
Massachusetts Association of Health Boards  
Massachusetts Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics

**Michigan**

American Lung Association in Michigan  
Detroit Alliance for Asthma Awareness  
Genesee County Asthma Network  
Health Department of Northwest Michigan  
Lansing Alpha 1 COPD Coalition  
Michigan Association of Local Environmental Health Administrators  
Michigan Osteopathic Association  
Registered Nurses Association in Michigan  
Washtenaw County Asthma Coalition

**Minnesota**

American Lung Association in Minnesota  
Minnesota Public Health Association

**Mississippi**

American Academy of Pediatrics, Mississippi  
American Lung Association in Mississippi  
Mississippi Public Health Association  
Mississippi State Department of Health  
Missouri Association of Local Public Health Agencies

**Missouri**

American Lung Association in Missouri  
Missouri Association of Local Public Health Agencies

**Montana**

American Lung Association in Montana  
Health Care Without Harm  
Montana Area Agencies on Aging Association  
Montana League of Women Voters  
Montana Primary Care Association  
Montana Public Health Association  
RiverStone Health

**Nebraska**

American Lung Association in Nebraska

**Nevada**

American Lung Association in Nevada

**New Hampshire**

American Lung Association in New Hampshire

**New Jersey**

American Lung Association in New Jersey  
Freehold Area Health Department  
Middle-Brook Regional Health Commission  
Monmouth Regional Health Commission  
New Jersey Public Health Association

**New Mexico**

American Lung Association in New Mexico  
New Mexico Public Health Association

**New York**

American Lung Association in New York  
Huntington Breast Cancer Action Coalition  
New York State Public Health Association  
YWCA of White Plains

**North Carolina**

American Lung Association in North Carolina  
Medical Advocates for Healthy Air

**North Dakota**

American Lung Association in North Dakota

**Ohio**

American Lung Association in Ohio  
Association of Ohio Health Commissioners  
Environmental Health Watch  
Ohio Asthma Coalition  
Ohio Public Health Association  
The Ohio Society for Respiratory Care

**Oklahoma**

American Lung Association in Oklahoma

**Oregon**

American Lung Association in Oregon

**Pennsylvania**

American Lung Association in Pennsylvania  
Pennsylvania Chapter, American Academy  
of Pediatrics  
Pennsylvania Coalition of Nurse  
Practitioners  
Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical  
Association  
Pennsylvania Society for Respiratory Care  
Pennsylvania State Nurses Association  
Philadelphia Physicians for Social  
Responsibility  
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center  
Women for a Healthy Environment

**Rhode Island**

American Lung Association in Rhode Island  
Rhode Island Public Health Institute

**South Carolina**

American Lung Association in South  
Carolina

**South Dakota**

American Lung Association in South  
Dakota  
South Dakota Public Health Association

**Tennessee**

American Lung Association in Tennessee

**Texas**

American Lung Association in Texas

**Utah**

American Lung Association in Utah

**Vermont**

American Lung Association in Vermont  
American Heart Association  
Vermont Children's Hospital

**Virginia**

Allergy Partners of Eastern Virginia  
American Lung Association in Virginia  
Breathe America Richmond  
Doctors for America  
Richmond Pulmonary Association  
Roanoke Asthma and Air Quality Coalition  
The Coalition for Healthy Individuals  
through Prevention and Education  
Voices for Virginia's children

**West Virginia**

American Lung Association in West  
Virginia  
West Virginia Asthma Coalition

**Wisconsin**

American Lung Association in Wisconsin  
Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin

**Wyoming**

American Lung Association in Wyoming

cc: Nancy Sutley, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality  
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