

An Industry View – NARSTO Benefits

- Govt.-academia-industry interaction worthwhile.
- Good job leveraging resources & funding collaboration
 - While industry \$\$ directly to NARSTO has been limited, industry has funded tools and participation.
- Minimal bias, credible science.
- Examples of NARSTO policy-relevant science:
Reactivity Research WG; NARSTO-NE, Mexico City and Houston field work; OTAG/NO_x SIP Call; Canada-US Air Quality Agreement. etc.



An Industry View – The Future

- If NARSTO ceased to exist, there would be lost opportunities.
- Industry participation seems limited to U.S.
- Industry participation linked to issues being assessed.
- Industry interest largely related to policy perspective.
- If the US government is involved, there will be industry interest regardless of the scientific issue at hand.
- Economic pressures have detracted from industry support for pure research.



An Industry View – Ozone and PM

- Remand of 2006 PM NAAQS and suspension of briefing on 2008 ozone NAAQS (EPA given 6 months to take a new look).
- The 2006 PM and 2008 ozone standards have/will lead to an increase in non-attainment areas.
- Further tightening will create even more NA areas.
- Attainability questions:
 - standards closing in on natural background
 - exceptional events
 - transported (interstate, international) pollutants.
- Upcoming proposals for SO₂ (November 2009) and NO₂ (June 2009) NAAQS (possible new 1-hour standards).

