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**Subject: Comment Extension Request, Notice of Availability of the Environmental Protection Agency's Preliminary Interstate Ozone Transport Modeling Data for the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard; January 7, 2017, 82 Fed. Reg. 1,733; Docket ID: EPA-HQ-OAR-2016-0751.**

Dear Director Page:

On behalf of the American Petroleum Institute (API) I request a 30-day extension of the public comment period for the subject notice until May 6, 2017.

The API represents over 625 oil and natural gas companies, leaders of a technology-driven industry that supplies most of America's energy, supports 9.8 million U.S. jobs and 8 percent of the U.S. economy and, since 2000, has invested nearly \$2 trillion in U.S. capital projects to advance all forms of energy, including alternatives.

API's members engage in all aspects of the oil and gas industry and operate facilities and produce products impacted by regulations resulting from this preliminary interstate ozone transport modeling data and associated methods relative to this notice. Our members are in the process of evaluating a portion of the inventory and are requesting more time. We hope this request will be considered in light of similar extensions taken by the new administration to review and reconsider other actions, some until May 22, 2017.

Thank you in advance for your timely consideration of this request. I look forward to your response; in the meantime, if there are any questions please contact me at 202-682-8340 or [feldman@api.org](mailto:feldman@api.org).

Sincerely,

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