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/NOx 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).