

NLEV Nationwide Benefits

Emissions

- National LEV cars much cleaner than today's new (Tier 1) vehicles (based on NMOG standards)

- TLEVs 50% cleaner than Tier 1
- LEV's 70% cleaner
- ULEV's 84% cleaner

- For model years after 2000, annual emissions benefits from National LEV approximate the removal of almost 10.5 million Tier 1 vehicles from the road.

- NLEV and Base Case (OTC LEV) comparison - for years 2005, 2007, 2015 - tons per day - emissions (ozone season weekday) totals for NMOG, NO_x - nationwide (estimate based on MY 97 start date in Northeast, MY 2001 start date nationwide):

NO _x emissions reductions in year 2005	- 400 tons/day
NO _x emissions reductions in year 2007	- 600 tons/day
NO _x emissions reductions in year 2015	- 1249 tons/day

NMOG emissions reductions in year 2005	- 279 tons/day
NMOG emissions reductions in year 2007	- 399 tons/day
NMOG emissions reductions in year 2015	- 778 tons/day

- NLEV and Base Case comparison - for year 2005 - tons per day - toxic emissions for benzene, 1,3-butadiene, formaldehyde, acetaldehyde:

	Benzene	1,3-Butadiene	Formaldehyde	Acetaldehyde
Reduction	7	1.1	4	1.2

- For year 2005 - tons per day - Particulate Matter (NMOG plus NO_x) benefit associated with NLEV as compared to Base Case:

28.6 ton/day effective PM-10 emissions reduction (mostly NO_x)

Cost



- Incremental estimated cost per car for LEVs in CA - \$96
(CARB has modified their estimates slightly upward and EPA will address this change in the SNPRM).

- Incremental estimated cost per car for nationally available LEVs - \$76

- equal to less than 0.5% of new car price

- less than ½ cost of pinstripping; about the price of a basic hubcap

- EPA expects cost to be even less than \$76 due to the following factors:

- automotive pollution control technology continues to advance, leading to improved designs at lower costs.

- for example, Honda has announced the introduction of new LEV technology that will add little or no cost to vehicles

- significant economies of scale for the manufacturers

- CARB's own cost estimates have generally been shown to be higher than actual price differences

- auto industry experience has consistently demonstrated rapid price decreases in successive model years for newly-introduced technology

- National LEV program includes numerous provisions to harmonize federal and California motor vehicle requirements, providing manufacturers with additional savings

- Annualized estimated cost of NLEV Program - \$950 million

Ozone Nonattainment Areas/Population



- There are 111 million people living in classified ozone nonattainment areas today.

- 50 million in the OTR

- 22 million in CA

- 39 million in areas outside CA, OTR

- There are approximately 26 million people living in areas that have been redesignated.



- Total current number of nonattainment areas in U.S. - 66

- Number in OTR - 33

- Number outside OTR & CA - 25

- Number in CA - 8

-	Number designated as marginal	-	26
-	Number designated as moderate	-	19
-	Number designated as serious	-	11
-	Number designated as severe	-	9
-	Number designated as extreme	-	1
-	Number of former nonattainment areas redesignated to attainment	-	33

- Vehicles in non-attainment areas

Ozone:

- approximately 15 million light-duty cars and trucks are sold in the US each year
- approximately 11 million are sold in states with some region in ozone nonattainment
 - approximately 5 million are sold in CA, OTC states
 - approximately 6 million are sold in other states

NLEV Benefits to Non-OTR States

Toxics, Visibility Benefits

- National LEVs would result in a VOC reduction of as much as 185 lb/vehicle over the lifetime of the passenger car.
- National LEVs would result in a NOx reduction of as much as 186 lb/vehicle over the lifetime of the passenger car.
- Depending on the quality of a state's I/M program, National LEVs will result in a 15 - 78% reduction in toxic emissions over the lifetime of the vehicle, or 1.4 - 7.6 lbs reduction per vehicle.
- Because these vehicles will typically operate for over a decade, pollution in non-OTR states will decline by 700,000 tons for every year that NLEVs are substituted for current use cars.
- Provides margin for growth in attainment states
- Provides additional reductions to help redesignated areas stay in attainment

Greenhouse Gases/Global Warming/Other Effects

- NO_x:

- Of the six criteria pollutants monitored nationally over the last 25 years, NO_x is the only pollutant for which emissions have increased
- Emissions of nitrogen oxides include nitrous oxide, which itself is a greenhouse gas
- Nitrous oxide emissions contribute about 6% of the greenhouse effect
- In addition, emissions of nitrogen oxides lead to the formation of tropospheric ozone, which is another greenhouse gas.
- Excessive nitrogen from air pollution can result in the acidification of lakes, streams, and soils.
- Air pollution contributes to increased nitrogen loadings in water bodies, which in turn accelerates eutrophication - an over-enrichment of eco-system which results in significant oxygen depletion, dieback of underwater plants, and reduced populations of fish and shellfish
- NO_x emissions can interfere with the transmission of light, limiting visual range and color discrimination. Nitrogen dioxide is a reddish brown gas that can impair visibility.