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No New Regulations Announced, Reasonable Causes For Challenges Abound: EPA's Endangerment and Cause or Contribute Findings for Greenhouse Gases Under Section 202(a) of the Clean Air Act

Bob Kozak, contributing author to Advanced Biofuels USA, analyzes EPA's finding that CO₂ along with 5 other gases are health hazards in an <u>online commentary</u>. He argues that although this announcement is being treated by the Administration and the media as a significant decision that will soon result in large decreases of US produced GHGs we should not count on that and explains why:

- EPA purposely disregards the entire issue of setting any new regulations as a result of the Finding.
- EPA stumbles in its determination of why the six gases were selected, and
- EPA applies uneven science criteria in its arguments for both the health effects of the gases and the reasons for including and excluding certain gases.

In its 284 page final ruling, EPA repeatedly points out that this Endangerment Finding does not include any GHG regulations including CO_2 emissions standards for new motor vehicles under Section 202(a) of the Clean Air Act. EPA is particularly emphatic that this Finding would NOT set off what EPA characterized as a "cascade" (pp. 31, 50) of regulatory responses. EPA disputed that any of the Clean Air Act sections, including stationary source requirements, would be required to be revised to include GHG requirements as a result of this finding.

Advanced Biofuels USA agrees that CO_2 is a hazard to heath and must be regulated; the organization applauds regulation of CO_2 in both mobile and stationery sources and is disappointed that the way EPA is managing the challenge of this health hazard is headed for being counterproductive.

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Link to the complete commentary at: http://advancedbiofuelsusa.info/no-new-regulations-announced-reasonable-causes-for-challenges-abound-epa%e2%80%99s-endangerment-and-cause-or-contribute-findings-for-greenhouse-gases-under-section-202a-of-the-clean-air-act

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