Update on the MAG 2012 Five Percent Plan for PM-10 and Exceptional Events Issues

MAG Management Committee
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MAG 2012 Five Percent Plan Timeline

- May 23, 2012-MAG Regional Council adoption of the plan
- July 20, 2012-EPA completeness determination on the plan stopped the 18 month and 24 month sanctions clocks
- April 19, 2013-EPA proposed approval of several statutes for measures in the plan
- April 30, 2013-Arizona Center for Law in the Public Interest filed a lawsuit against EPA for not acting on the plan
- July 1, 2013-EPA completed its review of the 2011-2012 exceptional events documentation. EPA concurred with 17 of the 18 packages submitted by ADEQ.

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Next Steps

- EPA is continuing to review the plan in light of these exceptional event approvals. There were no violations of the PM-10 standard during 2010-2012.
- EPA needs to take approval action on the Five Percent Plan to avoid imposing a federal implementation plan
- EPA Exceptional Events Process needs to be streamlined
- EPA intends to revise the Exceptional Events Rule (late 2014 or early 2015)

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