

**NACAA 2017 Spring Membership Meeting**  
**Building Enforcement Relationships: A Discussion with OECA**  
**May 2, 2017**

**Questions for Discussion**

1. EPA uses data-mining techniques to determine sectors or areas for new or additional federal scrutiny. Does your agency have any thoughts regarding how this technique should be used? Do you have any examples, either good or bad, regarding how this has been utilized in your state or local area?
2. What kinds of enforcement services (e.g., expertise, training, leverage) and support do state and local agencies need from EPA?
3. How important is the federal backstop to your enforcement programs? What problems, if any, do you foresee for your agency if this presence is reduced or eliminated?
4. If EPA enforcement is scaled back, what responsibilities should go to state and local agencies? Do you have the capacity, resources and expertise to fulfill these responsibilities?
5. Can you think of a situation where EPA has been extremely helpful to your agency in an enforcement action?
6. Do you regularly join EPA in enforcement actions in your state? Why or why not?
7. When you decline to join EPA in an enforcement action in your state do you communicate the reason why to EPA?
8. In the past there have been issues with consistency between regional offices, as well as within the regions themselves, with regard to the interpretation and application of federal requirements. Does this problem still exist within your region and if so can you provide specific examples?
9. How much interest is there in EPA pursuing mobile source issues in your state?