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The Honorable Robert Blendu, Chair
Joint Legislative Audit Committee

The Honorable Laura Knaperek, Vice Chair
Joint Legislative Audit Committee

Dear Senator Blendu and Representative Knaperek:

Our Office has recently completed a 12-month followup of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality—Air Quality Division regarding the implementation status of the 2 audit recommendations (including sub-parts of the recommendations) presented in the performance audit report released in September 2004 (Auditor General Report No. 04-07). As the attached grid indicates:

- Both recommendations have been implemented.

Since all of the audit recommendations have been implemented, and unless otherwise directed by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee, this report concludes our follow-up work on the Department's efforts to implement the recommendations resulting from our September 2004 performance audit report.

Sincerely,

Debbie Davenport
Auditor General

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Attachment

cc: Stephen A. Owens, Director
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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
Air Quality Division
12-Month Follow-Up Report To
Auditor General Report No. 04-07

FINDING 1: Division efforts positively impacting Arizona's air quality

Recommendation	Status of Implementing Recommendation	Explanation for Recommendations That Have Not Been Implemented
This finding provides information only. Therefore, no recommendations are presented.		

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FINDING 2: Division generally addresses violations by major source facilities within specified time frames

Recommendation	Status of Implementing Recommendation	Explanation for Recommendations That Have Not Been Implemented
1. To help ensure facilities with violations are notified within the required time frames, the Division should consider:		
a. Setting in policy specific time frames for each step in the enforcement action review and approval process.	Implemented at 12 Months	
b. Creating a report of all pending enforcement cases to alert both the manager and staff of their status; division management should ensure that these reports are reviewed weekly.	Implemented at 6 Months	