

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

February 28, 2011

Attorney General Tom Horne  
Office of the Attorney General  
1275 West Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Suspected Deliberate Violations of the Arizona Open Meeting Law by MCAQD

It has come to my attention that the Maricopa County Air Quality Department has convened and held two meetings now of its Air Quality Council. These meetings were held meetings held on January 11 and February 16, 2011.

The invitees outside of the agency are from industry, business, large sources of air pollution, contractors, agriculture, citizens, and others. These attendees are clearly not merely agency staff. They are presented information and asked to give advice.

Upon information and belief, I also understand that they have been instructed to not tell others about these meetings or what is discussed, and that they are not even told who all is on this defacto advisory committee.

This all appears to be a deliberate and intentional violation of the Arizona Open Meeting Law. There is a difference between an accidental violation and an intentional violation, with ramifications for these actions, according to the Open Meeting Law Handbook posted on your own Attorney General website.

I formally request a complete and immediate investigation into this matter.

Sincerely,

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