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Ms. Vickie Grimes, Assistant R. E.
Oregon Region SCCA
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Re: Formula Vee Mufflers

Dear Ms. Grimes:

As we recently discussed, I have received noise emission data of Formula Vee racing cars from your organization and I.C.S.C.C. indicating that this vehicle class can comply with the 105 dBA noise limit using a muffler configuration not described in the DEQ noise rules. I am therefore anticipating a recommendation to the Motor Sports Advisory Committee that a "Well Maintained Muffler" for Formula Vee sports racing cars is a "four-into-one header/collector system."

As you know, DEQ rules provide for the designation of other complying mufflers by approval of the Motor Sports Advisory Committee and the Department. Thus, the final decision on the Formula Vee issue will be up to the Committee and the Director of DEQ. However, I believe that the technical justification is sufficient to designate the currently used header systems described above as meeting the intent of this regulation.

I expect that the Committee would consider this issue within the next 30 to 60 days.

Sincerely,

John M. Hector
Program Manager
Noise Pollution Control

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cc: William H. Root, ICSCC
Motor Sports Advisory Committee