

Broad Support for Carbon Pollution Standards for New Power Plants

The Carbon Pollution Standards for New Power Plants will help ensure a cleaner energy future for America. These standards have the support of millions of Americans including moms, health groups, environmental groups, power companies, Latino groups, the NAACP, faith groups and many more. Here is what just a few groups have been saying about the proposed standards:

American Academy of Pediatrics

"Children represent a particularly vulnerable group that is likely to suffer disproportionately from both direct and indirect adverse health effects related to climate change. ... Because of their physical, physiologic, and cognitive immaturity, children are often most vulnerable to adverse health effects from environmental hazards. Environmental hazards may shift as the climate changes, and children are likely to suffer disproportionately from those changes."

<u>The Clean Energy Group*</u>

"EPA's proposed rule for new sources provides the industry with a higher degree of business and regulatory certainty. Based on our review of the proposal, recent projections by the U.S. Energy Information Administration, and current market dynamics, we do not anticipate that the proposed greenhouse gas performance standards for new sources, with the recommendations included here, would adversely affect the reliability of the electric system...We agree that EPA has sufficient scientific and legal basis to regulate greenhouse gases from new EGUs under section 111 of the CAA."²

U.S. Conference of Mayors

"Over 1,000 mayors have signed USCM's Climate Protection agreement...But local governments alone cannot shoulder the entire burden or responsibility of limiting GHG emissions and protecting the health of our citizens. A national regulatory framework is required to achieve the substantial and absolutely necessary reduction in GHG emissions. Therefore, we commend the U.S. EPA for its efforts in this regard and encourage final promulgation of these CAA rules."³

National Latino Coalition on Climate Change and Green Latinos

"It is because Latino and other traditionally under-represented communities are so disproportionately impacted by these harmful pollutants that NLCCC must urge the EPA to adopt the strictest possible carbon pollution standards for new power plants that will adequately protect our communities...These rules are essential to protect the health of our members and necessary to guarantee the safety of the air of Hispanic communities nationwide."⁴

Creation Justice Ministers

"I am here today to offer our faith community's response to the rule on new power plants. We view climate change as *the* moral issue of our time, and feel we have an obligation to reverse the implications of our careless actions. As Christians, we are called to be stewards of the land that was gifted to us and ensure that we leave this planet better for the next generation."⁵

*Members include Austin Energy, Calpine Corporation, Capital Power, Consolidated Edison, Inc. Entergy Corporation, Exelon Corporation, National Grid, New York Power Authority, NextEra Energy, NRG Energy, PG&E Corporation, Public Service Enterprise Group, Inc., Tenaska.

¹American Academy of Pediatrics, Comments on Carbon Pollution Standards for New Power Plants; 11/14/2013; link

²The Clean Energy Group, Comments on Carbon Pollution Standards for New Power Plants; 4/17/2014; <u>link</u>

³The United States Conference of Mayors, Comments on Carbon Pollution Standards for New Power Plants; 12/3/2013; <u>link</u>

⁴National Latino Coalition on Climate Change and Green Latinos, Comments on Carbon Pollution Standards for New Power Plants; 2/6/2014; <u>link</u>

⁵Creation Justice Ministries, Comments on Carbon Pollution Standards for New Power Plants; 2/6/2014; link