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PRESIDENT Obama's speech on the economy yesterday was, on many fronts, very good. He explained with clarity the causes of the economic meltdown. He pushed back on faulty arguments from the right that stimulus spending is irresponsible and from the left that money shouldn't be funneled to the banks....

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By Bob King
6/9/11 5:35 AM EDT

The boom in U.S. natural gas supplies can deliver sizable benefits for the economy, the climate and national security – but also calls for the kind of environmental regulation the industry has been resisting, according to a study<<http://web.mit.edu/press/2011/alert-natural-gas.html>> the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Energy Initiative is set to release Thursday.

For starters, increased use of existing combined-cycle natural gas power plants – instead of coal – could reduce the U.S. power sector's carbon dioxide emissions as much as 20 percent at relatively little cost, according to a summary provided to POLITICO<<https://www.politicopro.com/f/?f=3237&inb>>.

Further gains are possible by replacing coal-fired and older gas-fired boilers with newer, more efficient natural gas models, and by pairing gas plants with renewable sources such as wind for electricity generation, the study found. And continued high oil prices could allow gas to grab an increasing share of the market for fuel in vehicles.

Meanwhile, the environmental impacts of shale gas extraction are “challenging but manageable,” the authors say, but with a caveat: “Research and regulation, both state and federal, are needed to minimize the environmental consequences.”

The study also points to the kind of policies that could “maximize” the value of the nation's surging gas supply: “A CO2 emissions price for all fuels without subsidies or other preferential policy treatment.” It also calls for the U.S. to encourage the development of the global gas market and “promote sharing of know-how for strategic global expansion of unconventional gas production.”

The authors of the study are Ernest Moniz, director of the energy initiative and a former Clinton-era undersecretary of energy; Henry Jacoby, a professor at MIT's Sloan School of Management; and Tony Meggs, an MIT visiting engineer.

The university said the study also addresses questions such as:

- How much natural gas is there in the world, and how expensive is it to develop?
- What is the role of natural gas in a carbon-restrained economy?

- Could natural gas, in one form or another, be a viable substitute for gasoline or diesel?
- What is the geopolitical significance of the ever-expanding role of natural gas in the global economy?
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Subject: LA Times: Latino groups push Obama on ozone standards
Latino groups push Obama on ozone standards

June 8, 2011 | 4:23 pm

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[REDACTED] On the heels of a scathing critique by former Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt on Wednesday, President Obama faced pressure from a burgeoning environmental justice coalition demanding stronger action on ozone, a component of smog, in predominantly Latino communities.

Fourteen groups sent a letter to Obama expressing dismay at missed opportunities and delays in bringing permissible ozone levels down to between 60 and 70 parts per billion:

The EPA estimates that the strongest standard of 60 parts per billion would avoid as many as 12,000 deaths and 58,000 asthma attacks per year. Implementing a weaker standard would mean more lives lost and more asthma attacks – costs that Latinos would disproportionately bear.

The Latino community has faced many challenges over the past few years. We've seen missed opportunities, delays and more. With lives at stake, we hope that we won't see yet another burden if polluting industries succeed in blocking EPA's efforts to protect us from smog.

This is a chance to fix a costly mistake by the Bush administration, which in 2008 disregarded science and set smog standards too high to adequately protect public health. This issue is too important to have mistakes like this repeated.

EPA announced proposed ozone standards of 60-70 ppb in January 2010, but delayed implementing them and in December, said it would submit the issue to a scientific advisory panel. That panel since has endorsed the lower limits. The agency is slated to establish new standards in July.

The George W. Bush administration had lowered the limit from 85 to 75 ppb. No urban area of California meets even the 1997 federal standard of 80 ppb. If states fail to meet federal standards, the government can withhold highway funding.

The Latino groups that signed the letter, from California, Texas and other states, are part of a growing environmental movement centered around some of the nation's most polluted urban areas. Signatories included the Comite del Valle from Brawley, in California's Central Valley, and the Latino Coalition for a Healthy California.

Groups such as East Yard Communities in Los Angeles have been pushing for help with unhealthy air in their working-class neighborhoods, surrounded by freeways and large rail yards.

In San Bernardino, air pollution authorities on Wednesday announced a major study of communities around large rail facilities that serve as a main inland hub of goods shipped across the U.S. The study will examine rates of cancer and asthma in those low-income communities.

The study comes two years after the California Air Resources Board determined that diesel emissions

from locomotives, big rigs and other equipment at the facility posed a significant health risk to thousands of residents living near the site, and that the facility posed the greatest cancer risk of any rail yard in California.

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Peabody Energy (NYSE: BTU) Announces "Coal Cares™" Initiative, New Nationwide Campaign Against Stigma of Childhood Asthma

ST. LOUIS, May 10, 2011 / PRNewswire via COMTEX/ -- Peabody Energy today announced the creation of an innovative new public health initiative designed to combat the stigma of asthma among American children ages 0-18. With Coal Cares™ (www.coalcares.org), Peabody will offer free, custom-branded [inhaler actuators](#) to children living within 200 miles of a coal plant, along with coupons worth \$10 towards the purchase of the asthma medication itself.

"Too many young Americans face daily schoolyard taunting and bullying because of a condition over which they have no control," said Gregory H. Boyce, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Peabody Energy. "By re-branding the inhaler as a cool, individualized, must-have accessory, Coal Cares™ will empower children to tell bullies: 'suck it up.'" Children can choose from a variety of youth-themed inhaler cases, from tween faves like "the Bieber" and "My Little Pony," to the "Emo" and "Diamond" inhalers for older, style-conscious youth. There's even "My First Inhaler," for tots.

Coal Cares™ launches today in commemoration of [Asthma Awareness Month](#), the Environmental Protection Agency's effort to call attention to [rising asthma rates](#), especially among children. Coal Cares™ and its Puff-Puff™ line of inhalers is the first, and most ambitious, market-friendly public health initiative of this scope of any privately-owned American company, and testifies to the energy industry's commitment to the well-being of all citizens, including the youngest.

"Our actions are guided by a singular mission: to be a leading worldwide producer and supplier of balanced energy solutions, which power economic prosperity and well-being," said Boyce. "Coal Cares™ brings this mission to life, empowering children everywhere to take control of their destinies, beginning with their own lungs."

"Coal Cares™ is emblematic of the return to self-reliance that healthy entrepreneurship demands," said James Miasmus, Vice President of Government Affairs at Peabody USA.

"Costly 'scrubbing' technology, on the other hand, is an untested and heavy-handed intrusion into our still-vulnerable economy. At Peabody, we're thinking globally but acting locally, and locating preventive action at the point of consumption, where it belongs."

"Coal Cares™ isn't just the name of a campaign," said Kevin Briesslau, Vice President of Communications at Peabody Coal. "It's a philosophy, a way of doing business in harmony with the community we are a part of. After all, coal is the fastest-growing fuel in the world. We're part of America's heritage, and we're here to stay."

To learn more about Peabody's Coal Cares™ initiative, visit: www.coalcares.org.

Peabody Energy (NYSE: BTU) is the world's largest private-sector coal company and a global leader in clean coal solutions. With 2010 sales of 246 million tons and nearly \$7 billion in revenues, Peabody fuels 10 percent of U.S. power and 2 percent of worldwide electricity.

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By myglesias

About that **EPA** Regulatory Authority. **Lisa Jackson**. Ted suggests that I might want to start taking my cues from Katherine Weymouth and offer some cheerier stories: Also, Matt, I think *your* readers might appreciate some cheerier stories ...

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By rafael

Lisa Jackson's EPA has been hashing through the issues quickly. The final endangerment finding is coming soon, the mobile-source proposal is already on paper, and the stationary-source regulations ... well, they're another matter. ...

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By Ray LaHood

This is one of those days when I am so clearly reminded of why I joined this Administration. Today, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** and I announced a proposed rule that would bring our nation a step closer to a future...

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Aaron Dickerson

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Subject: PSA Bipartisan Statement on Climate Change

Dear Ms. Jackson,

I am writing to bring to your attention a high-level bipartisan statement on climate change and national security, signed by thirty-two top Democrats and Republicans, including nine former Senators, three former National Security Advisors, two former Secretaries of State, and a former Secretary of Defense. The full text and signatory list are copied below, and a PDF of the statement can be seen here:

<http://www.psaonline.org/downloads/Climate.pdf>

The statement will appear in Politico as a full page advertisement on Tuesday, September 8. With the U.S. Senate currently considering a bill on climate change and the Copenhagen summit only three months away, we hope this statement can help generate consensus for a clear, comprehensive, realistic and broadly bipartisan plan to address our role in the climate change crisis.

I have copied below an invitation to our formal launch event to be held on Capitol Hill, on Tuesday. Please join us if you can, and feel free to share this invitation with others who may be interested. If you have any questions or suggestions regarding this effort, I would be happy to hear from you.

Sincerely,

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*** EVENT INVITATION ***

Climate Change, Energy and National Security We Must Work Together on an American Strategy

Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Reserve Officers Association (One Constitution Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002)

You are invited to join Partnership for a Secure America, the Reserve Officers Association and CNA for a discussion on the national security implications of climate change and America's energy use. This event will coincide with the release of PSA's bipartisan statement, signed by 32 prominent Republicans and Democrats, urging the development of a "unified American strategy" that will allow the U.S. to respond to and mitigate the impact of climate change.

Speakers:

Sen. Joseph Lieberman (Invited)
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Climate Change Threatens All Americans We Must Work Together on an American Strategy

Climate change is a national security issue. The longer we wait to act, the harder it will be to mitigate and respond to its impacts. U.S. leadership alone will not guarantee global cooperation. But if we fail to take action now, we will have little hope of influencing other countries to reduce their own harmful contributions to climate change, or of forging a coordinated international response.

We must also help less developed countries adapt to the realities and consequences of a drastically changed climate. Doing so now will help avoid humanitarian disasters and political instability in the future that could ultimately threaten the security of the U.S. and our allies.

But most importantly, we must transcend the political issues that divide us – by party and by region – to devise a unified American strategy that can endure and succeed.

We, the undersigned Republicans and Democrats, believe Congress working closely with the Administration must develop a clear, comprehensive, realistic and broadly bipartisan plan to address our role in the climate change crisis. We must lead.

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Cleaning the air

Kenneth Kimmell

New air quality rules would build on the state's pollution limits

December 17, 2011|By Kenneth Kimmell

FOR YEARS, the Northeast has been called the "tailpipe of the United States" - a place where air pollutants from across the country foul our skies and lungs. That negative moniker is due to no fault of our own, but is a casualty of our location downwind of pollution sources in other regions.

Under Governor Deval Patrick, Massachusetts has led the nation in reducing pollution from power plants, cars and trucks, industrial sources and consumer products. For example, strict mercury limits for coal plants went into effect in 2008, and the plants have reported dramatic reductions in mercury emissions.

Yet, despite these efforts, the Commonwealth still has too many days each year of

unhealthy air. This is largely due to the pollutants that are produced by power plants in upwind states in the Midwest and Southeast, and carried by prevailing winds into our backyards. Pollution from cars and trucks also continues to be a significant factor.

Fortunately, new rules from the US Environmental Protection Agency would require upwind power plants to cut pollution the way we have done here, which will level the playing field and ensure that Massachusetts reaps the benefits of its clean air rules. The EPA is also expected to propose rules to cut pollution from cars and light trucks through tighter vehicle standards and cleaner gasoline. These rules deserve our support.

The EPA's Cross-State Air Pollution Rule, finalized in July, requires power plants to reduce emissions that cause ozone and fine particulates that can be drawn deep into one's lungs. This will cut down on the number of days that we need to warn our residents that our air is unhealthy, something that happened 10 times last summer.

The EPA estimates that nationwide, up to \$280 billion in health benefits will result from the new rule, due to 34,000 fewer premature deaths each year, 15,000 fewer non-fatal heart attacks, thousands of fewer hospitalizations, and 400,000 fewer cases of aggravated asthma throughout the eastern, central, and southern United States.

In addition, the EPA is expected to soon finalize a rule to reduce toxic emissions from large power plants - the Mercury and Air Toxics Rule. Mercury is a potent neurotoxin, particularly to the developing brain of the fetus and young child. Even small amounts of mercury are harmful.

Extensive scientific research shows widespread mercury pollution across New England, largely due to air deposition of mercury from upwind states. Because of high mercury levels, all New England states warn against eating certain types of locally caught fish.

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**Hello, we would like to invite you to attend Senator Boxer's press conference on Monday, December 14th. The details are below. Please RSVP if you are able to attend as soon as possible.
Thank you.**

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Transmitted December 11, 2009

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U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works

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Senator Boxer to Deliver Remarks on Copenhagen and Climate Change

BACKGROUND: As the high level segment of the United Nations Climate Change Conference begins in Denmark, U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer (D-CA), Chairman of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, will hold a press conference to deliver remarks on Copenhagen and climate change.

WHEN: MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2009
11:00 AM ET

LOCATION: EPW Hearing Room
406 Dirksen

WHO: Senator Barbara Boxer (D-CA)
Chairman, Environment and Public Works Committee

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Sen. Inhofe tells MSNBC's Maddow she's one of his 'three favorite liberals'

by Ben Geman
03/16/12

Conservative Sen. James Inhofe (R-Okla.) offered high praise Thursday night for a trio of ideological foes, including MSNBC host Rachel Maddow.

"By the way, you and Lisa Jackson and Barbara Boxer are my three favorite liberals, because I enjoy watching you very much," Inhofe told Maddow during an interview about global warming.

EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson and Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.), the chairwoman of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, are frequent sparring partners for Inhofe, the panel's top Republican.

However, Inhofe frequently points out that he has a friendly relationship with them.

"Lisa, she even has a picture of my 20 kids and grandkids hanging on her wall. She and I get along fine," Inhofe said on MSNBC. (An EPA spokeswoman confirmed his comment about the picture.)

Inhofe has long battled EPA and Democratic efforts to curb greenhouse gas emissions through cap-and-trade legislation, which collapsed in 2010, or regulations.

He's Capitol Hill's most outspoken opponent of mainstream climate science. "You say something over and over again and sooner or later, people, particularly your audience, there's a liberal audience, they want to believe it," Inhofe told Maddow.

The overwhelming majority of climate scientists say the planet is warming and that human activities - including the burning of fossil fuels - are a major cause.

A small minority of scientists argue that data on warming trends and the human contribution is inaccurate or inconclusive.

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Subject Business for Innovative Climate and Energy Policy Thought
Leaders Breakfast

Meeting

Date 03/12/2009

Time 07:45:00 AM to 08:15:00 AM

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Date 05/14/2009

Time 01:30:00 PM to 03:00:00 PM

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Subject Interview with Robin Bravender of Politico

Meeting

Date 02/07/2011

Time 11:00:00 AM to 11:30:00 AM

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Location Administrator's Office

Ct: Brendan Gilfillan - 202-564-2081

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New Congress, climate and other upcoming air rules.

NOTE: A photographer will be there to take photos of the interview.

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Sharing an article of interest: <http://www.njspotlight.com/stories/11/0109/2117/>



Pending Bills Pit Business Interests Against Environmentalists
Four-bill package enjoys bipartisan support, but conservationists warn it will undercut environmental regulations

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By Tom Johnson, January 10 in Energy & Environment | [Post a Comment](#)



To proponents, it is a legislative effort to streamline the bureaucracy and make New Jersey's economic climate more business-friendly. To foes, it is a move to undermine some of the state's environmental rules at the urging of special interests.

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The four-bill package, which enjoys bipartisan support and emerged, in part, from Gov. Chris Christie's Red Tape Review, is up for a vote in both houses today. The bills are opposed by most environmental groups, but are backed by business interests. Each of the bills was passed unanimously when voted out of committee.

The legislation primarily addresses the administrative law system that governs how the state adopts rules and regulations stemming from bills adopted by the legislature and issues permits to developers and businesses. The system, long criticized by many for being too long and burdensome, was set up two decades ago to regulate how state laws are implemented and how businesses can appeal unfavorable decisions by cabinet officers.

But to Jeff Tittel, executive director of the Sierra Club of New Jersey, the bills attack environmental protection and the rights of citizens to participate in government decision-making. "These bills give too much power to special interests and take away the public's right to comment when it comes to rules, regulations, environmental standards and permits."

Speedier Permitting

One of the bills (A-2853) would require state and local agencies to streamline the permitting process for permits related to business, particularly larger developments that create many jobs. It would set up an individual in state government to act as a point person on major projects, helping developers navigate all the necessary permits needed to move a venture forward. Critics argue that this provision would end up creating an in-house lobbyist for polluters.

But backers defended the measure. When the bill was passed unanimously by the Assembly Budget Committee last month, Assemblyman John Burzichelli (D-Gloucester) said, "Businesses devoted to economic development and creating jobs that benefit this state shouldn't have to run through an obstacle course to get the permits they need. It makes no sense to obstruct economic development, so we need a streamlined system that makes creating jobs as easy as possible."

The other three bills, voted out of the Assembly Regulatory Government and Oversight Committee in June, deal with trying to streamline the administrative process system, including allowing administrative law court judges, and, potentially, the Attorney General, to decide contested cases where two state agencies may be in conflict.

On Appeal

Under current law, if a developer has a permit that an agency denied, he or she can appeal the decision to an administrative law court judge who hears the case, listens to expert witnesses and issues a ruling. That ruling can be modified, accepted or rejected by the cabinet officer denying the permit. Under one bill (A-2922), the administrative law court or Attorney General makes the final decision in contested cases.

Tittel argued the bill takes away authority from the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and may violate federal delegation of various environmental programs in New Jersey given to DEP by the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The other bills in the package would allow substantive changes to agency rulemaking upon adoption (A-2720), instead of going through the time-consuming process of reproposing the rule and holding new public hearings on the proposal. Finally, the package includes a measure (A-2721) that would change the expiration of new rules from five years to seven years.

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This article is from the Atlantic City Press:

DEP questions Sierra Club's mercury testing

By SARAH WATSON Staff Writer | Posted: Thursday, June 23, 2011 9:41 pm

Two months ago, some area residents volunteered to have a snip of their hair collected at an Ocean City hair salon and tested for mercury as part of a national campaign to raise awareness about pollution emitted from coal-fired power plants.

On Thursday, the New Jersey chapter of the Sierra Club announced on the Ocean City Boardwalk that of the 34 people who agreed to share their results with the advocacy group, eight, or 23.5 percent, had mercury levels above the limit the federal Environmental Protection Agency considers safe.

While that may sound alarming, state Department of Environmental Protection spokesman Larry Ragonese said the results released by the Sierra Club lack statistical significance and context about who the participants are and why they may have elevated mercury levels.

“I don’t know what their testing means, who is tested, how it was tested. If this was something that came out of the American Medical Association or some scientific group, I would have some basis for seeing their sampling methods and the science of it, but at this point — and I don’t want to demean what they’re doing — I don’t know what it means,” Ragonese said. “We really don’t like to scare people, and I think this could scare people because they’ll hear something about mercury contamination.”

The Sierra Club embarked on a national campaign earlier this year for volunteers to have their hair sampled, which determines the level of mercury in the body, New Jersey chapter spokeswoman Christine Guhl said. As part of that campaign, the advocacy group is urging people to support rules proposed by the EPA that would establish national standards on how much mercury and other toxics could be released from coal-fired power plants, which are the largest source of airborne mercury pollution.

Once the chemical enters the environment, microbes convert it into a biologically available form called methylmercury, which moves its way up the food chain through fish. Large predatory fish have the highest concentration of methylmercury in their tissues, which is why there are consumption advisories. And consuming certain types of seafood is the major way for mercury to accumulate in humans, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says.

In Ocean City, twins Jill Mullins and Jaime Bowen, 31, volunteered their results to the Sierra Club. Bowen, a mother of two, had a mercury level above the EPA limit, and Mullins, a mother of one, was well below the limit. Both said they live in the same house on Wesley Avenue and eat similar diets — their only major difference was that Mullins had lived out of state for a number of years before moving to Ocean City recently.

“It just doesn’t make sense to me,” Mullins said. “What’s really disconcerting is that my level was so low and hers was so high.”

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POLITICO

EPA tries to win back farm states

By: [Robin Bravender](#)

May 3, 2011 04:44 AM EDT

Lisa Jackson is looking for some friends down on the farm.

Farm-state voters have seemingly lost patience with Democrats in Washington. Last fall, the governorships and a combined 16 congressional seats in several key states that supported President Barack Obama in 2008 flipped to Republicans, including Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin.

At the center of complaints from farm-state lawmakers: the Environmental Protection Agency's air and water regulations, which they claim will put farms out of business.

In an effort to repair its image in the heartland, EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson and other Cabinet officials are hitting the road and the airwaves.

Jackson traveled to Iowa last month and California farm country in March, and EPA says additional trips are in the works. She has also been trying to improve EPA's image through appearances on local radio stations and with op-eds in farm states.

"Part of the reason for being here is to speak directly to folks outside of that echo chamber that's the Washington, D.C., world about what's really happening," Jackson told Des Moines, Iowa, radio station WHO last month.

"I call it sort of my 'debunking the myths' tour," she said.

Jackson admits she doesn't have a background in agriculture. "I'm a city girl," the New Orleans native said.

She insists EPA isn't out to put farms out of business but has failed to make much headway on Capitol Hill, where the agency's farm policies have come under fire from Democrats and Republicans alike.

At a heated March House Agriculture Committee hearing, California Democrat Dennis Cardoza told Jackson her agency was "the most unpopular agency in farm country from sea to shining sea, bar none."

The committee's top Democrat, Collin Peterson of Minnesota, said EPA appears to farmers like "an out-of-control agency that doesn't understand agriculture and doesn't seem to want to understand it." And Illinois Republican Tim Johnson told Jackson that her agency has been the "poster child ... for usurpation of legislative authority."

Among the most common anti-EPA talking points: The agency plans to clamp down on farm dust, regulate spilled milk like spilled oil and impose a "cow tax" on farmers for the greenhouse gases emitted by livestock.

Jackson says those are all myths. She told the House panel that the "mischaracterizations" about her agency "are more than simply a distraction" and "could prevent real dialogue to address our greatest problems."

Jackson insists that EPA has no plans to regulate dust on farms, although she hasn't ruled out the possibility. Last month, EPA made good on its promise to exempt milk containers from rules aimed at preventing oil spills from reaching water supplies.

And Jackson says the "cow tax" rumors are hot air. "That myth was started in 2008 by a lobbyist" and quickly debunked by a nonpartisan, independent group, she said at the hearing.

"I have a tremendous respect for the agricultural sector," she said. "Farmers and ranchers are an essential part of our economy; they give us food, fiber and fuel."

Jon Doggett, vice president of public policy of the National Corn Growers Association, said he often hears concerns from growers about not just what they see happening now at EPA but also "what they see coming in the future."

But he said it's a welcome sign that EPA officials are heading out to talk to farmers. "The thing that gets our folks most upset is the feeling that EPA doesn't know what we're doing out on farms," he said.

Pairing Jackson with Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack could help on that front.

Jackson and the former Iowa governor last month visited a livestock farm, a row crop farm and a biodiesel plant.

The two also penned an op-ed in The Des Moines Register last week touting the "shared goals" of EPA and farmers and again sought to set straight "some of the misconceptions and myths about the EPA."

Jackson is also known for her ability to put even her fiercest critics at ease when she meets them face to face. She's friendly with the Senate's top climate skeptic, Jim Inhofe (R-Okla.), who regularly berates the administration's environmental policies.

The EPA chief would do well to make stops in places such as Fort Wayne, Peoria or Evanston and answer questions about what much-feared regulations will really do, said a former Senate Democratic aide.

“Lisa Jackson does a very good job in that environment,” that person said, because she can easily relate to people and doesn’t get rattled.

Jackson also met with farmers and ranchers in Fresno, Calif., in March. In an op-ed in the Fresno Bee, she touted EPA’s partnerships with agriculture and said its top brass has met with hundreds of farmers and ranchers across the country in the past year.

Norm Ornstein, a political analyst at the American Enterprise Institute, said the administration is likely trying to avoid fights in states that still rely heavily on agriculture.

“The last thing you want to do is piss them off for no good reason,” he said.

And the attacks from farmers have been amplified amid Republicans’ constant criticism of EPA and the Obama administration’s environmental agenda.

“If you’re aiming at the White House, you’re going to use every weapon in your arsenal and everything that you can do to raise the dissatisfaction level in people,” Ornstein said.

House Republicans on the Agriculture and Natural Resources committees plan to continue their assault Tuesday with a joint hearing titled “At Risk: American Jobs, Agriculture, Health and Species — the Costs of Federal Regulatory Dysfunction.”

Jackson isn’t scheduled to testify, but with fights ahead on 2012 appropriations, skyrocketing gas and oil prices and a possible farm bill in the offing next year, she’ll need to keep up the effort.

“In the end, the proof is in the pudding, you look at what happens day to day,” said Paul Schlegel, director of environment and energy policy at the American Farm Bureau Federation.



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Subject Former Gov. Granholm

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POLITICO

Granholm heads west to Cal-Berkeley

By: [Molly Ball](#)

January 24, 2011 04:50 AM EST

Now that she's left office, former Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm plans to write a book, teach at Berkeley and stay in the public eye as a speaker and commentator.

The 51-year-old two-term Democrat told POLITICO in an interview that her new work will revolve around the interrelated themes she emphasized as governor: creating jobs, reviving American manufacturing and expanding the clean energy economy.

"I'm very much looking forward to this new chapter in what has been and will continue to be a very full life," Granholm said.

Granholm and her husband, Dan Mulhern, are coauthoring a book about "the experience of governing what has been the toughest state in the country," she said. It is set to be published in September by Public Affairs.

Granholm and Mulhern also have a joint two-year academic appointment at the University of California-Berkeley, Granholm's undergraduate alma mater. Together, they will teach a course this coming spring semester at the university's Goldman School of Public Policy. In the fall, they will teach separate courses in the public policy, law and business schools.

The common theme of the courses and book will be the lessons Michigan holds for the rest of the country as "the canary in the coal mine — the state hardest hit by the loss of traditional manufacturing jobs," she said. "We want to be able to have the nation draw lessons, good and bad, about what can happen if the United States doesn't take a more active role" in job creation.

In addition, Granholm and Mulhern have signed on with the Keppler Speakers Bureau to be represented for speaking engagements; they are fielding offers to serve on the boards of companies and nonprofits; and Granholm will be a paid contributor to NBC's "Meet the Press."

Mulhern, the former "first gentleman," is a radio host, inspirational speaker and leadership coach.

For Granholm, who grew up in California, the Berkeley appointment is a chance to spend more time with her parents, including an ailing father. Granholm and Mulhern plan to split their time between Michigan, California and Washington.

Since leaving the governor's mansion, the family has been renting in the Lansing area while their son finishes middle school. Granholm said they're working with a realtor to buy a permanent Michigan residence.

She was not approached for a job by the Obama administration, and does not plan to reenter politics. "I'm done with that," she said. "I'm ready for a new thing."

Granholm said the president has "taken some really good steps, but additional, aggressive steps need to be taken." The investments in a new clean-energy infrastructure made by the 2009 stimulus should "be put on steroids," she said.

Granholm's popularity was low by the time she left office — one April 2010 poll put her approval rating at 27 percent. She defended her record as having made tough decisions and put in place the changes that will eventually see Michigan recover from its long slump.

Under Granholm, the state's budget shrunk more than any other as declining revenues forced painful cuts. Now, she said, the beginnings of a turnaround can be seen: Michigan unemployment, which peaked at 14.5 percent in December 2009, was down to 11.7 percent in the latest December 2010 statistics.

"It's not like things have been fixed," Granholm said, but "our efforts in the past year and a half have really shown some remarkable progress."

She praised her successor, Republican Rick Snyder, for his bipartisan outreach, noting that the two jointly announced the new board of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, with 10 appointees each. "He didn't have to do that," she said.

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Now that she's left office, former Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm plans to write a book, teach at Berkeley and stay in the public eye as a speaker and commentator.

The 51-year-old two-term Democrat told POLITICO in an interview that her new work will revolve around the interrelated themes she emphasized as governor: creating jobs, reviving American manufacturing and expanding the clean energy economy.

"I'm very much looking forward to this new chapter in what has been and will continue to be a very full life," Granholm said.

Granholm and her husband, Dan Mulhern, are coauthoring a book about "the experience of governing what has been the toughest state in the country," she said. It is set to be published in September by Public Affairs.

Granholm and Mulhern also have a joint two-year academic appointment at the University of California-Berkeley, Granholm's undergraduate alma mater. Together, they will teach a course this coming spring semester at the university's Goldman School of Public Policy. In the fall, they will teach separate courses in the public policy, law and business schools.

The common theme of the courses and book will be the lessons Michigan holds for the rest of the country as "the canary in the coal mine —>

In addition, Granholm and Mulhern have signed on with the Keppler Speakers Bureau to be represented for speaking engagements; they are fielding offers to serve on the boards of companies and nonprofits; and Granholm will be a paid contributor to NBC's "Meet the Press."

For Granholm, who grew up in California, the Berkeley appointment is a chance to spend more time with her parents, including an ailing father. Granholm and Mulhern plan to split their time between Michigan, California and Washington.

Since leaving the governor's mansion, the family has been renting in the Lansing area while their son finishes middle school. Granholm said they're working with a realtor to buy a permanent Michigan residence.

She was not approached for a job by the Obama administration, and does not plan to reenter politics. "I'm done with that," she said. "I'm ready for a new thing."

Granholm said the president has "taken some really good steps, but additional, aggressive steps need to be taken." The investments in a new clean-energy infrastructure made by the 2009 stimulus should "be put on steroids," she said.

Granholm's popularity was low by the time she left office — one April 2010 poll put her approval rating at 27 percent. She defended her record as having made tough decisions and put in place the changes that will eventually see Michigan recover from its long slump.

Under Granholm, the state's budget shrunk more than any other as declining revenues forced painful cuts. Now, she said, the beginnings of a turnaround can be seen: Michigan unemployment, which peaked at 14.5 percent in December 2009, was down to 11.7 percent in the latest December 2010 statistics.

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Scientists offer NJ gov climate change message

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TRENTON, N.J.

Three scientists who specialize in climate change delivered a message to New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie on Tuesday: Global warming is real, it's caused mostly by people and it has already increased the frequency of severe weather in the Garden State. The Rutgers University scientists came to the Statehouse with reams of documents in the hope of convincing Christie, who has said he is reserving judgment on the issue.

Christie did not meet with the experts. Instead, his representatives sat in on their presentation. Afterward, governor's spokesman Michael Drewniak declined to comment.

The governor told a town hall meeting last month that he'd seen evidence on both sides of the climate change issue and was reserving judgment.

"To be honest with you, I don't know. And that's probably one of the reasons why I became a lawyer and not a doctor, or an engineer, or a scientist -- because I can't figure this stuff out," Christie said at the time. "But I would say at this point, that has to be proven, and I'm a little skeptical about it."

Meteorologist Alan Robock of Rutgers' Environmental Studies Department said if he could send one message to the governor, it would be this: "Global warming is real. Humans are causing it, and there's no doubt about that."

Robock, who wondered aloud whether Christie's comments were engineered to appeal to conservatives, said he wrote the governor after hearing his comments. In the letter, Robock said, he explained that the only scientifically credible explanation for global warming is that it stems mostly from human activity. He said the state's energy policy hangs in the balance of the governor's beliefs.

Oceanographer Paul Falkowski, who teaches at the Rutgers' Institute of Marine & Coastal Sciences, faulted the governor for discouraging mass transit use by hiking rail fares while encouraging driving by refusing to raise the gasoline tax, which at 14.5 cents is the third lowest in the country.

"While this governor has raised the cost of NJ Transit, he has not yet increased by even one cent the cost of gasoline," said

Falkowski. "Behavioral changes are simply modified by cost."

Overall, the experts rated New Jersey's energy policy as uneven.

Environment New Jersey Executive Director Dena Jaborska, whose group hosted the event, said Christie has been "a real champion" in pursuing wind energy but has not yet affirmed his commitment to the state's renewable energy goals on solar energy. He has also yet to commit to the regional greenhouse gas reduction initiative known as RGGI.

Jim Miller, a climatologist who also teaches at the Department of Marine and Coastal Sciences, said the climate is changing, with more floods and droughts in New Jersey, for example. He said it's time to decide how much to invest in adapting to the climate change that's already been caused and how much to invest in mitigating against future damage.

Falkowski said he hopes decisions on climate change and energy

policy can be made rationally, beyond the sphere of politics.

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In this photo taken Feb. 9, 2011, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Lisa Jackson testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington before the House subcommittee on Energy and Power hearing on the "Energy Tax Prevention Act of 2011. As the EPA considers rules to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from power plants, Republicans in Congress lead an effort to strip the EPA of its power to regulate greenhouse gases. Arguments will be heard Tuesday, April 19, before the U.S. Supreme Court over the ability of states and groups such as the Audubon Society to sue large electric utilities and force power plants in 20 states to cut their emissions. (AP Photo/Manuel Balce Ceneta, File)

Written by

MARK SHERMAN, Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration and environmental interests generally agree that global warming is a threat that must be dealt with.

But they're on opposite sides of a Supreme Court case over the ability of states and

groups such as the Audubon Society that want to sue large electric utilities and force power plants in 20 states to cut their emissions.

The administration is siding with American Electric Power Co. and three other companies in urging the high court to throw out the lawsuit on grounds the Environmental Protection Agency, not a federal court, is the proper authority to make rules about climate change. The justices will hear arguments in the case Tuesday.

The court is taking up a climate change case for the second time in four years. In 2007, the court declared that carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases are air pollutants under the Clean Air Act. By a 5-4 vote, the justices said the EPA has the authority to regulate those emissions from new cars and trucks under that landmark law. The same reasoning applies to power plants.

The administration says one reason to end the current suit is that the EPA is considering rules that would reduce carbon dioxide emissions from power plants. But the administration also acknowledges that it is not certain that limits will be imposed.

At the same time, Republicans in Congress are leading an effort to strip the EPA of its power to regulate greenhouse gases.

The uncertainty about legislation and regulation is the best reason for allowing the case to proceed, said David Doniger, a lawyer for the Natural Resources Defense Council, which represents Audubon and other private groups dedicated to land conservation.

"This case was always the ultimate backstop," Doniger said, even as he noted that the council would prefer legislation or EPA regulation to court decisions. The suit would end if the EPA does set emission standards for greenhouse gases, he said.

The legal claims advanced by six states, New York City and the land trusts would be pressed only "if all else failed," he said.

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When the suit was filed in 2004, it looked like the only way to force action on global warming. The Bush administration and the Republicans in charge of Congress doubted the EPA's authority to regulate greenhouse gases.

Federal courts long have been active in disputes over pollution. But those cases typically have involved a power plant or sewage treatment plant that was causing some identifiable harm to people, and property downwind or downstream of the polluting plant.

Global warming, by its very name, suggests a more complex problem. The power companies argue that any solution must be comprehensive. No court-ordered change alone would have any effect on climate change, the companies say.

"This is an issue that is of worldwide nature and causation. It's the result of hundreds of years of emissions all over the world," said Ed Comer, vice president and general counsel of the Edison Electric Institute, an industry trade group.

The other defendants in the suit are Cinergy Co., now part of Duke Energy Corp. of North Carolina; Southern Co. Inc. of Georgia; Xcel Energy Inc. of Minnesota; and the federal Tennessee Valley Authority. The TVA is represented by the government and its views do not precisely align with those of other companies.

Eight states initially banded together to sue. They were California, Connecticut, Iowa, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont and Wisconsin. But in a sign of the enduring role of partisan politics in this issue, New Jersey and Wisconsin withdrew this year after Republican replaced Democrats in their governor's offices.

Another complication is that the administration and the companies may be on the same side at the Supreme Court, but the power industry is strongly opposing climate change regulation. The Southern Co. is a vocal supporter of GOP legislation to block the EPA from acting.

"It's two-faced for them (the companies) to come into court and say everything is well in hand because EPA is going to act," said Doniger, the NRDC lawyer.

Comer said the key point is that judges should not make environmental policy. "This has important implications for jobs. If you raise energy costs in the U.S., does that lead industry jobs to go elsewhere and if it does, do you get the same emissions, just from another country?" Comer said. "These judgments are properly made by elected officials."

Justice Sonia Sotomayor, who was on the federal appeals court panel that heard the case, is not taking part in the Supreme Court's consideration of the issue.

The case is American Electric Power Co. v. Connecticut, 10-174.

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Ritter takes job at CSU

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Gov. Bill Ritter holds up his old student card from CSU while talking about his next job, w Director of the Center for the New Energy Economy at the Colorado State University. (THE DENVER POST | JOHN PRIETO)

Gov. Bill Ritter said today he passed over "lucrative" job offers from law firms to accept a position that combines two of his greatest passions: energy and higher education.

Ritter, a Denver Democrat who leaves office Tuesday, announced he will become director of the Center for the New Energy Economy at Colorado State University.

The new position pays \$300,000, a hefty increase from his gubernatorial salary of \$90,000 annually for the past four years.

In his news conference in his office, Ritter said that CSU President Tony Frank approached him about the job.

"He sent an e-mail to me asking if I'd consider joining CSU and building a center for the New Energy Economy," he said.

The two then talked about how to privately fund it.

"It was very important to me and the president that it was privately funded because of the difficulty we've had in securing public dollars for higher ed during this awful recession," Ritter said.

CSU spokesman Brad Bohlander said the initial budget for the center is \$550,000, which also will cover expenses for an assistant director, graduate student and operational costs.

The funding at this point is a three-way split between the Bohemian Foundation, the San Francisco-based Energy Foundation and private commitments that have not yet been finalized so are not being publicized, Bohlander said.

The Bohemian Foundation was founded in 2001 by medical heiress Pat Stryker of Fort Collins, who also has used her family wealth to help Democrats win state legislative races and Ritter win the governor's contest in 2006.

Ritter was asked about Stryker's role and what kind of speculation it would fuel. Republicans have accused wealthy Democrats of using their money to buy seats and influence under the Gold Dome.

"This is not political at all," Ritter said. "It is very substantive. In my perspective, it is in keeping with the Bohemian Foundation."

He said the group is one of CSU's biggest supporters, and is more likely the reason for its financial contribution than him being appointed the director.

"My relationship with Pat Stryker has been at arm's length the entire time that I have been governor," he said. "While she has been supportive of Democrats generally, I have functioned as the governor independent of their wishes or hopes. That gives me a great deal of comfort in saying that they're doing this because of their belief that CSU should be part of a building a national energy agenda."

Ritter listed several examples of CSU's cutting-edge technology in new energy strategies.

As governor, Ritter focused on what he called "the new energy economy," signing 57 related energy bills during his tenure and helping to lure new energy companies to Colorado.

Colorado is now home to the fourth-highest concentration of clean-energy workers in the country, the second-highest renewable energy standard in the nation, and the first law in the country that will convert old and inefficient coal plants to cleaner natural gas.

Ritter begins his new job Feb. 1. He said he will be in Washington that day giving an energy speech but plans to spend much of his time in Fort Collins. He will commute from Denver.

Ritter said he was "flattered" to be wooed by law firms and foundations, including the Energy Foundation providing funding for his new job.

"But I really believe that my heart was in continuing to develop a clear energy agenda for America," he said.

Ritter also will assume the title of senior scholar within CSU's School of Global Environmental Sustainability but had no details yet on what that will entail.

Ritter earned his bachelor's degree in political science from CSU in 1978.

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Gov. Gregoire's statement on new vehicle efficiency standards

OLYMPIA – Gov. Chris Gregoire today issued the following statement, commending the nation's new vehicle efficiency standards:

“These new standards improve both the health of our climate and economy – and ensure hard-working Americans achieve real cost savings down the road. Between now and 2025, Washington residents will save an estimated \$34 billion in fuel costs for operating motor vehicles that meet these new standards, while breathing cleaner air.

“Additionally, these new standards will spur job creation and reduce our need on foreign oil.

“I commend President Obama's leadership on this issue, and his focus on bringing the parties together to create vehicle efficiency standards that benefit all Americans. These new standards build on the real progress made last year, and ensure our nation's leadership position in addressing the real threats of climate change.”

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Please find an op-ed (below) that appears in today's Seattle Times. (Also, the link: http://seattletimes.nwsources.com/html/opinion/2011678594_guest23gregoire.html)

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States can lead way to a clean-energy future

By Chris Gregoire

Special to The Times

RECENTLY, the Obama administration took a historic step toward curbing America's dependence on oil and reducing our nation's contribution to global warming by adopting the clean-cars program, which will require automakers to make cleaner vehicles that go farther on a gallon of gas. The clean-cars program is a great idea: It will cut pollution, save consumers money at the pump, and save Washingtonians 219 million gallons of gasoline per year by 2016.

This idea didn't come from the halls of Congress -- it came from Washington and the 13 other states that adopted similar standards in recent years. And it serves as just one example of how Washington and other states have consistently led the way in developing new strategies to create jobs, protect the environment and build the clean-energy economy.

Despite our leadership and innovation, some industry lobbyists in the other Washington want to limit states' ability to act independently to protect our economy and natural resources. That's a bad idea, and it sets a dangerous precedent.

Here's why. In Washington state, we've demonstrated the workability of dozens of new solutions to our long-standing energy problems. We've adopted cutting-edge programs to increase the amount of energy we get from renewable sources, make our homes and businesses more energy-efficient, set targets for reductions in global-warming pollution, and encourage a shift toward cleaner modes of transportation.

Our programs and strategies are not only having a positive impact on the environment, but on our economy as well.

A recent study by the Washington State Employment and Security Division, for example, found there were nearly 100,000 "green jobs" in Washington in 2009. With Washington's business climate ripe to add to its 400 clean-energy-technology companies already located here, that number is expected to grow.

In fact, earlier this month, a joint venture between BMW and SGL Group announced it has chosen Moses Lake in Grant County -- where unemployment is at 13.6 percent -- as the site for a new plant to manufacture lightweight carbon-fiber parts to be used in electric cars, making them lighter and more efficient.

As Washington takes steps toward a clean-energy future, we are learning from other states' examples, just as other states learn from ours. Even as members of Congress debate energy and climate policies to curb global warming, for example, there is already a successful, state-based cap-and-trade system up and running in the Northeastern United States, designed and operated by 10 states working together.

Similarly, the Western Climate Initiative (WCI), of which Washington state is a founding member, and the Midwest Greenhouse Gas Reduction Accord (MGGA) have laid the groundwork for comprehensive reductions in harmful greenhouse gases.

So it is troubling that at a time when we need good ideas the most, special interests continue to push U.S. senators for greater pre-emption of state authority -- pre-emption that would stifle innovation and potentially hold the nation back from achieving our emission-reduction and clean-energy goals. Such action would also violate the long-standing central role of states in setting environmental policy -- a role that states may need to play again one day given the changing political winds that seem to

consume Washington, D.C.

The time has surely come for the United States to adopt comprehensive policies to put America on course to a clean-energy future. Having testified before Congress in favor of federal action and after traveling to Copenhagen to see firsthand the precipice we are on in terms of losing our edge to other nations, I remain committed to the passage of federal energy and climate legislation this year.

But Congress would make a grave error if it were to shut down the state "laboratories of democracy" -- the proven testing grounds of the next generation of effective environmental and economic policies.

If we are serious about a strong economic recovery and a healthy future, with real opportunities for all Americans, we cannot accept the status quo. As a nation, we must repower our economy with a new engine of innovation, investment and job creation. States -- in a true partnership with the federal government -- can do just that.

Chris Gregoire is governor of Washington. Margie Alt, executive director of Environment America, and Cara H. Dolan from Environment Washington contributed to this commentary.

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I keep hearing "on the cover of the Rolling Stone...gonna see my picture on the cover, gonna buy 5 copies for my mother..." I'm an old Dr. Hook fan.

Really great stuff! We can talk more about this next week.

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The Eco-Warrior

President Obama has appointed the most progressive EPA chief in history – and she's moving swiftly to clean up the mess left by Bush

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When it comes to passing major legislation – reforming health care, reigning in Wall Street, curbing climate change – the Obama administration is under fire from all sides for bowing to special interests and conducting government business behind closed doors. But there's one agency where the hope and hype of the campaign trail have transitioned seamlessly into effective governance: the Environmental Protection Agency.

With a minimum of fanfare, new EPA administrator Lisa Jackson has established herself as the agency's most progressive chief ever – and one of the most powerful members of Obama's Cabinet. In her first year on the job, Jackson has not only turned the page on the industry-friendly and often illegal policies of the Bush era, but has embarked on an aggressive campaign to clean up the nation's air and drinking water. Under her leadership, the EPA has sought stricter limits on toxic pollutants like mercury, moved to scrub emissions of arsenic and heavy metals from coal-fired plants, and revoked a permit for the nation's largest mountaintop-removal coal mine. "The American people can be outraged when we're not living up to the P part of our name," Jackson says. "The protection part."

Even more striking, Jackson has expanded the EPA's mandate to include sweeping new powers to crack down on climate-warming pollution from cars and industry. The move, which has the full backing of the White House, could prove to be the only viable way to stop Big Oil and Big Coal from overheating the planet – especially after the disastrous collapse of climate talks in Copenhagen in December. "If Congress doesn't pass legislation on climate change," says Carol Browner, Obama's climate czar, "EPA will follow through under the requirements of the Clean Air Act."

Taken together, Jackson's efforts represent a sweeping attempt to revitalize an agency that was gutted during the Bush years. The goal, as she sees it, is to once again base environmental regulations on science and the law – not on the demands of well-connected industries. "Under Jackson, it's a whole new ballgame," says Eric Schaeffer, who resigned as the agency's director of environmental enforcement in protest over Bush policies. "You now have an EPA administrator who has White House support but is still tough enough to provide an independent voice for the environment."

When Jackson was appointed in December 2008, some prominent environmentalists considered her the wrong person for the job. During her tenure as head of New Jersey's Department of Environmental Protection, they pointed out, the state did such a dismal job of cleaning up toxic Superfund sites that even the Bush administration felt compelled to take them over. In a separate case, Jackson's unit discovered that a day-care facility housed in a former thermometer factory was exposing toddlers to mercury pollution, yet failed to alert parents for more than three months. "Under her watch, New Jersey's

environment only got dirtier, incredible as that may seem," Jeff Ruch, president of Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility, said at the time. "If past is prologue, one cannot reasonably expect meaningful change if she is appointed to lead EPA."

In the early going, Ruch's warning appeared prescient. Jackson kicked off her tenure at EPA by greenlighting more than two dozen permits for mountaintop removal coal mining that were held over from the Bush administration. "This mining is devastating Appalachia," warned Robert F. Kennedy Jr. "Everyone expected Obama to do something about it. Instead they're saying, 'We're going to let this happen.'"

Jackson herself now admits that those initial approvals were mishandled. "In hindsight, I certainly wish we could have gone through a longer process on some of those," she says. In September, the EPA put 79 permits for mountaintop removal on hold, pending a review to ensure that each complies with the Clean Water Act. In an unprecedented move, the agency also revoked a permit for the Spruce No. 1 mine, Appalachia's largest mountaintop-removal operation, observing that it would destroy seven miles of West Virginia streams already ravaged by mining.

In addition, Jackson tells Rolling Stone, the EPA is reviewing the infamous Bush "fill rule" that allows mining companies to bury streams and lakes with mining rubble in the first place. "Staff is working on it now," she says. "We haven't put anything about it out publicly." Jackson says the primary goal is to reform gold mining in Alaska – where miners have begun dumping toxic waste into a pristine lake near Juneau – but adds that the move may also "curtail" mountaintop-removal mining.

Today, environmentalists who fretted openly about Jackson's nomination are almost unanimous in singing her praises. "Parts of the environmental community were skeptical of her appointment," says Buck Parker, former executive director of the environmental-law firm Earthjustice. "But she's fantastic. Gutsy. Acts in accordance with what she says. She's proving to be one of the bright lights of the administration."

Most afternoons, you can find Jackson at EPA's headquarters in the old Post Office headquarters, a marble art-deco monument to an era when postmasters were kings. Her sprawling office is paneled, floor to ceiling, in old-growth walnut, and decorated with bright abstract art from the National Gallery. Near a copy of *The Lorax*, the Dr. Seuss environmental parable, Jackson keeps a photograph of Sen. James Inhofe, perhaps the most rabid anti-environmental zealot in Congress, surrounded by his grandchildren.

"We don't have rancor," Jackson says of the senator, who gave her the photo. "I keep it here to remind me that you gotta work with people. You gotta figure it out."

Jackson has a master's degree in chemical engineering from Princeton, and nearly two decades of experience directing the cleanup of toxic waste. But from her first day, she discovered, her most important skill was her ability to shift the attitude of staffers who remain stuck in the Bush-era mind-set that the EPA should weaken environmental enforcement to satisfy the demands of big polluters.

"Oftentimes we're in a meeting and somebody starts telling me, 'Well, we already know what this official – usually a local official – really wants.' I tell them I don't want to know that," she says. "I want to know what the science says. Even now they're surprised to hear me say that."

To shift the agency's culture, Jackson has moved swiftly to restore top career staffers who were shunted aside during the Bush years. "We call them 'cryogenically frozen,'" says a top aide to Jackson. "We've reactivated a lot of people who were known to disagree with the Bush administration's politics and were hung up in closets." Veteran staffers who have gotten their old jobs back say privately that they spent eight years under Bush "trying to do something good under the radar" – even as they were forced to design programs that "we all knew the courts were going to throw out."

Under Jackson, the agency is once again basing decisions on science rather than politics. "The science is not something the Obama administration feels they have to guard themselves against," says one clean-air staffer who was sidelined under Bush. "Because they are not trying to protect their industry buddies from environmental regulations."

"They have freed up agency employees to do what they're supposed to do: protect public health and the environment," says Jeremy Symons, the EPA's former climate-policy adviser. "And God knows there's a lot of pent-up work behind the dam that needs to be unleashed."

Much of Jackson's first year at the EPA, in fact, has been eaten up by reversing the worst of the Bush legacy. "It requires that we use our time and resources to look back," she says, "when we absolutely need to be moving ahead."

In one of its final acts, the Bush EPA effectively barred new oversight of oil refineries with a regulatory trick: It covered up the overall impact of a refinery's pollution by measuring every smokestack separately, as if each were operating in isolation. "Imagine if you had 10 smokers in a room and a baby in the middle," says Schaeffer, the former enforcement director. "You're trying to figure the impact on that baby's lungs, but you model the smoke from each cigarette and assume that's all you have in the room. There wasn't any science behind it."

Jackson summarily revoked the oil-friendly rule in October. She also jettisoned lax smog rules set under Bush that flouted the unanimous recommendation of independent scientists and allowed higher pollution levels – effectively sentencing hundreds of people a year to premature death. "This is one of the most important protection measures we can take to safeguard our health," Jackson said in sending the rules back to the drawing board. In January, the agency proposed strict new smog limits that are expected to be finalized later this year.

After having its budget sharply curtailed under Bush, the EPA now has its biggest budget in history – thanks to an increase of \$3 billion under Obama. The additional resources have enabled Jackson to put dozens of new federal cops on the environmental beat, and to crack down on states that fail to enforce the law. Chief among those states is Texas, where Gov. George Bush shifted the state to a system of "flexible permits" that allow oil refineries, chemical plants and other industrial polluters to increase toxic emissions as they modernize their facilities. Last summer, Jackson lowered the boom on Texas – first by sending an order to Gov. Rick Perry that rejected key elements of the state's regulatory implementation plan, then by descending on the state EPA office in person, accompanied by top enforcement officials from Washington.

"It was an army of people – I've never seen anything like that," says Neil Carman, director of clean-air programs for the Texas chapter of the Sierra Club. "We've got the attention of the highest level of people at the EPA, and they're going after it. We've waited 15 years to see this happen."

Advocates of environmental justice are also thrilled by Jackson's emphasis on protecting vulnerable communities that lack lobbying clout. She has started by filling the EPA, long a bastion of whiteness in Washington, with young aides who represent minority groups hard hit by pollution: the nearly three-fourths of Hispanics who live in communities that fail to meet clean-air standards, African-Americans who are more than twice as likely as whites to die from asthma, Native Americans whose homes lack clean water at almost 10 times the national rate. For Jackson, who grew up in the Ninth Ward of New Orleans, near the toxic corridor known as "Cancer Alley," such realities are a major reason she joined the EPA right out of grad school.

"What I'm trying to do is bring the agency back to being closer to the communities that are fighting for environmental protection," she says. "Because that's how environmental protection gets done – it usually comes from the communities up."

The shift to a more community-focused approach is already having an effect. When Emily Enderle, an environmental-health advocate with Earthjustice, recently petitioned the EPA to protect children exposed to dangerous pesticides, she was amazed to see the agency respond in only three weeks by initiating the process to create a new regulation.

"We didn't have any of the big green groups supporting this," Enderle says. "But they were very supportive of protecting rural kids who've been poisoned by nerve-toxic pesticides."

Jackson has moved with equal dispatch to clean up the nation's drinking water. After a storage facility loaded with coal ash collapsed in Tennessee in 2008 – creating a toxic spill 100 times larger than the Exxon Valdez – the EPA quickly disclosed previously secret information about 44 other "high hazard" storage facilities. The agency has also targeted 104 chemicals to be added to the Safe Drinking Water Act – a move that would more than double the 91 toxic substances currently subject to regulation.

In addition, Jackson is working with Congress to require all chemical manufacturers to prove that their compounds are safe before they enter the environment. "Safety standards cannot be applied without adequate information," says Jackson, "and responsibility for providing that information should rest on industry."

The biggest fight that Jackson faces, however, is her effort to regulate auto exhaust and other climate pollution under the Clean Air Act. While friends of industry have tried to paint Jackson as an unhinged eco-vigilante, her approach to regulating carbon emissions has been as serious as the Bush administration's was slapdash. Jackson has moved incrementally to make sure the agency's rulings stand up to inevitable legal challenges. "One of the worst of the legacies left after the eight years of the Bush administration was the number of regulations that were overturned," she says. "I am not a lawyer by training; I am an engineer. So I am very, very careful about getting good legal advice on the decisions that I am entrusted to make."

In one of the first decisions that Obama entrusted to Jackson, she reversed the Bush EPA and granted California the authority to curb carbon pollution from auto exhaust. That alone, she says, was enough to bring the automakers to the table to negotiate national limits on emissions, rather than face a patchwork of conflicting state regulations. "Once you get to the point where industry asks for regulatory certainty," Jackson says, "that's always a watershed moment in environmental protection." Spurred by the threat of regulation, automakers agreed to raise the fuel efficiency of cars to 35 miles per gallon by 2016, an accord that will reduce future carbon pollution by nearly 1 billion tons.

The EPA followed up in December by issuing an "endangerment finding" that gives the agency the authority to cap carbon pollution under the Clean Air Act. The move was required, Jackson says, by the Supreme Court decision in 2007 that greenhouse gases are a pollutant subject to regulation – a ruling ignored by the Bush White House. Jackson would prefer to curb carbon pollution with the kind of cap-and-trade system being considered by Congress: "Economy-wide, market-based legislation would be a better path," she says. But in the absence of legislative action, Jackson insists that she alone now has the tools to place America on the path to President Obama's target of reducing carbon emissions by 83 percent by 2050.

In January, the EPA began tracking the emissions of the large industrial polluters responsible for 85 percent of America's carbon pollution. That inventory will be completed within a year, paving the way for a first-ever cap on carbon emissions. In the meantime, polluters that want to expand their operations will be required, beginning this spring, to incorporate the "best available methods" for controlling emissions. "I've tried very hard to make sure regulation is common sense," says Jackson. "Not with an eye to developing some doomsday, all-powerful regulatory scenario, but to show folks once again the tremendous power of the Clean Air Act."

Jackson's critics say it's too soon to judge her true commitment to change. Ruch, who denounced her nomination, downplays the EPA's early accomplishments, saying many hard decisions are simply being "ducked or delayed." Case in point: the agency's extended review of permits for mountaintop-removal mining. On January 5th, the very first mine to make it through the process was approved.

Still, the greatest evidence that Jackson is serious about environmental protection may be those who are trying to curb her power. These days, pro-industry Republicans aren't the only ones trying to stymie the EPA. In a move designed to gain support from coal-state Democrats, the climate bill passed by the House would strip the agency of its authority to restrict climate pollution. Rep. Earl Pomeroy, a Democrat from North Dakota, has introduced stand-alone legislation that would do the same. And Rep. David Obey, the powerful and progressive chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, recently added a last-minute

rider to a spending bill that exempted Great Lakes shippers from strict new curbs that the EPA has imposed on diesel emissions from ships. The move – a transparent favor for Murphy Oil, a diesel-fuel refinery in Obey's district – undercuts a rule aimed at saving 12,000 lives a year.

Such maneuvers reveal how difficult it will be for Jackson to move forward on her commitment to craft environmental regulations based on scientific reality, not political favoritism. As with health care reform, a handful of Democrats in Congress could prove influential in undercutting the Obama administration's efforts to defend the environment and safeguard public health. "When it comes to something that threatens the pocketbooks of their own region," says Parker, the former head of Earthjustice, "traditional friends may turn out to be just as bad as Republicans."

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EPA in the crosshairs

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Congressional Republicans planning an assault on the Obama administration's environmental record aim to turn [Lisa Jackson](#) into public enemy No. 1.

On the campaign trail, [Republicans](#) have adopted the Environmental Protection Agency as a favorite symbol of the White House's regulatory overreach. And behind the scenes in Washington, GOP staffers and K Street lobbyists who say they've been dissed by [the EPA](#) administrator are looking forward to getting some revenge.

Like other senior administration officials, Jackson can expect to be chained to a witness chair on Capitol Hill if Republicans win either chamber. There, they hope to make her defend policies the GOP contends are unpopular and anti-business.

"I think she'll be very much in demand on the Hill, at times not of her choosing," said a former staffer on the House Energy and Commerce Committee. "It will diminish her free time, shall we say."

With Democrats holding the reins in Congress, and White House energy and [climate adviser Carol Browner](#) taking many of the arrows from the GOP, Jackson has had enough of a political buffer zone to issue some of the strictest environmental rules in history. Republicans have decried the EPA at each step along the way but have been unable to do much about it.

Some of the animosity is personal: Republicans in both chambers and K Street attorneys say Jackson and her staff are too dismissive of opposing views and other stakeholders.

"When we write a letter to them, we'll get a form letter back," said a Republican aide. "We have seen no real indication that they hear or understand our concerns. She's loyal to the White House, and beyond that, they're just totally in sync with the view that we need a lot more regulations."

Rep. Joe Barton (R-Texas), ranking member of the energy committee, said Jackson isn't "rude or uncivil" but appears to be "on some sort of a mission, come heck or high water."

"Mrs. Jackson does not appear to be overly concerned about a cooperative relationship with the Congress or, at least, with the minority members of the Energy and Commerce Committee," Barton told POLITICO.

Rep. Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.) complained earlier this year after a contentious meeting with Jackson over coal mining. Jackson told her that "the EPA is not required, and they do not consider, jobs or economic impact when evaluating permits," Capito told the Charleston Daily Mail.

"We had a good give and take. It wasn't adversarial," Capito said. "But there was no door opening where she said she might consider something. There was no door opening for me to say, 'Are you open to some change? Maybe you could come down to the coal fields.' I kept trying to, but there wasn't that possibility."

The showdown on Capitol Hill could be reminiscent of 1995, when Republicans reclaimed both chambers of Congress in the middle of President Bill Clinton's first term.

"The impact on EPA was significant," said a former agency official who worked under then-Administrator Browner. "There was more oversight, and it was more intense."

Republicans will try to use hearings to discredit the administration and the EPA, that person said. "It can have its nastier side."

Rep. Fred Upton (R-Mich.), the favorite to chair the Energy and Commerce Committee if Democrats lose the House, hopes to investigate the Obama administration's "poisonous regulations" and the role of policy "czars" in the White House, including energy adviser Browner.

"If we have the gavel, I can assure you that the oversight subcommittee will be very busy," Upton told POLITICO, adding that Browner can also expect frequent invitations to testify. "We'll have a seat reserved for her," he said.

Energy and Commerce won't be the only panel on Jackson's dance card: Rep. Darrell Issa (R-Calif.) said he wants to use the Oversight and Government Reform Committee to lead a probe into the science underpinning the EPA's climate regulations. And Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner (R-Wis.) hopes to keep the Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming alive so he can examine the administration's climate and energy policies.

Jackson, 48, is no shrinking violet. New Orleans raised, she earned her chops as an enforcer at both the EPA and New Jersey's Department of Environmental Protection before becoming the state's top environmental official. She has declared she has no plans to leave her post anytime soon.

Under her watch, the EPA has pushed through the nation's first-ever climate rules aimed at curbing emissions from large industries and automobiles. The agency has also come

under fire for its efforts to limit toxic coal ash, ozone and soot and smog emissions from power plants.

One industry attorney complained that Jackson sees everything as a “mythic struggle between right and wrong,” rather than looking to compromise.

“It’s definitely anti-lobbyist rhetoric,” Jackson told POLITICO earlier this month. “It’s definitely meant to reflect the fact that when I go around the country, people want clean air. They are as passionate about clean air and clean water as [about] any of a number of issues; they want protection for their families and their children.

“I do very much believe that it’s time for us to get past this tired dance, where folks inside this Beltway get paid a lot of money to say things that aren’t true about public health initiatives that this agency is charged by law with undertaking,” she added.

Democratic staffers, meanwhile, are quick to praise the agency. Eben Burnham-Snyder, a spokesman for House energy bill author Rep. Ed Markey (D-Mass.), said the EPA “has been very helpful, especially during the process of passing the energy bill through the committee,” in providing reports and analyses.

EPA spokesman Brendan Gilfillan said Jackson's "commitment to openness compares particularly well to the lack of transparency during the previous administration.

“EPA is not always legally able to answer every question a member of Congress might ask,” he added. “But we have responded – or are in the process of responding – to every letter sent to us, regardless of the merits of the arguments made in the letters themselves.”

And Jackson’s supporters say she won’t relent under pressure. “She’s up to whatever comes,” said Dan Becker, director of the Safe Climate Campaign.

Becker warned that Republicans would pay a price for dragging officials to hearings to score political points. “Merely subpoenaing people and hauling them up to answer the same questions ... will get them nowhere,” he said. “The American people don’t want nothing to happen; they want the right things to happen.”

But not every hearing will produce fireworks, suggested former Rep. Thomas Bliley Jr. (R-Va.), who led the renamed House Commerce Committee from 1995 to 2001.

Bliley said the White House could find creative ways to avoid some GOP attacks. When reluctant officials do appear, he said, “they come in and generally read a long statement; announce in advance that they have another meeting they have to attend, ... and so they won’t be there very long.”

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In wait-and-see mode, Pringle still onboard the Christie train

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TRENTON – Gov. Chris Christie had so much going on in 2010 that several environmental issues were pushed to the back burner. There was the wild rumpus over the toolkit, the hullabaloo over Race to the Top, the maelstrom of the Supreme Court.

So Barnegat Bay, the Highlands Act, and imminent deregulation were mere background noise in the a Statehouse.

It wasn't until Christie announced his skepticism of the human effect on global warming that ears perked. One person who had his ears perked all year was David Pringle, campaign director of NJ Environment. Pringle and the NJEF board threw their lot behind Christie in last years gubernatorial campaign, a rare feat, besting a Democrat with the Mother Earth multitude.

“Initially an endorsement is a referendum on an incumbent,” Pringle said to day of his decision not to bid for re-election. “Corzine basically had no new environmental agenda.”

And Pringle knew full well what Corzine brought to the table.

“There was plenty of bad politics in Jon Corzine’s administration,” he said. “The environment suffered. On the biggest environmental issue of 2010 – the future of the Oyster Creek nuclear plant at Barnegat Bay, it was an eye.

He opposed the Highlands Council master plan, dragged his feet on new fertilizer standards, and his Denville Bayonne Mayor Joe Doria, was no friend of the green lobby.

So when Pringle’s decision to leave Corzine behind was made, he turned to Christie and independent environmentalists. Pringle said Daggett’s environmental background was “laudable,” but no match for Christie’s policy agenda. “The opponents.”

After the first year, Pringle stands by his choice, even though he understands why other enviro-leaders are hawking every decision Christie makes. They’re distrustful.

“There haven’t been any major broken promises,” Pringle said. “Chris Christie is doing things differently and better.”

Take Barnegat Bay, for example. The nuclear facility’s cooling mechanism was warming the bay water. Holding the company accountable for installation of costly cooling towers was nearly impossible. When it succeeded.

Instead of waiting to see if nuclear regulations demanded the towers, Christie simply demanded them certain seven to nine years of legal strife.

So after a quick cost-benefit analysis on the cooling towers, the facility's management decided instead volunteering their resignation over Christie's demand.

"No Oyster Creek is better than an Oyster Creek with cooling towers," Pringle said today. "He delivered. Furthermore, the independent safety review for the plant closure is becoming a model for other nuclear plants. "This is precedent-setting," he said, including the governor's 'you're next' nod to Salem County's nuclear plant. The cleanup and restoration of the bay is already in the works too – legislatively speaking – with Assessor (Salem and Orange) bills finding safe passage.

Even so, some critics with less rosy glasses think nine more years of plant operations could have chilled the state's economic conductor is the nation's oldest, a fact that worries some enviros to no end.

Overall, clean energy is a major cornerstone of Christie's regime, Pringle said.

The governor has publicly opposed new fossil fuel facilities – like Linden's coal plant – and is pushing for wind. Despite far-right attacks from Steve Lonegan and the Tea Party, Christie is staying the course, Pringle said. "We have windmills in the water yet," but the state is preparing to become "a Mecca for offshore wind."

Christie turned some heads when he admitted he hadn't seen convincing evidence on humankind's impact on the environment, although he doesn't dispute the phenomenon itself.

"Actions speak louder than words," Pringle said. "The overall day-to-day policy decisions are a much more off-the-cuff sound bite at a town meeting."

In fact, it was Christie's recognition of global warming that was the "turning point in endorsement process." "I think we're about where we expected to be," Pringle remarked on Christie's Year One. "We knew we were doing everything."

Among the disagreements they have is Christie's appointments to the Highlands Council, the body charged with the Highlands Water Policy and Protection Act.

Christie nominated individuals in opposition to the act itself, conveying his wishes to have it repealed and replaced. "Those opposed to the very concept of a law shouldn't be appointed with upholding it," Pringle said, but the appointments have been confirmed by the Senate. "The jury's still out on that front."

A binder full of deregulation-for-the-sake-of-efficiency recommendations came down recently from the Commission, but Pringle isn't as quick to read the tea leaves as everyone else.

He's keen to the government's fiscal crisis and has already seen the effects on the state watchdog. "Deregulation," Pringle said.

But whether the recommended cuts and ease-backs are actually for efficiency's sake is what most enviros worry about. "At best, it's premature to say," according to Pringle. "What's in the Red Tape report doesn't show us what the future is to be. I can understand why some folks think it's heading in that direction."

In the next few months, some important decisions will be made in Trenton that Pringle will be watching closely: emission reductions for diesel trucks, replenishment of state transportation funds, and the deepening of the state's fiscal crisis.

"Corzine sold the store on that one and Christie's doing his best to make up for lost time," Pringle said.

"There's a lot of rhetoric out there based on what folks think is going to happen, not on what has already happened. Pringle will work with the governor when he's right and disagree and hold him accountable (when he's not)," Pringle said.

"Are we satisfied?" he asks aloud. "I have a reputation uphold. We're environmentalists. We're never satisfied."

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Governor Christie to Talk Global Climate Change with Scientists
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The Republican governor, who caused a stir when he told a town hall meeting he was unsure about the science of global warming, plans to sit down this week with a couple of climate change scientists recommended by the New Jersey Environmental Federation.

While not taking back his original comments, Christie, appearing at the federation's annual convention Saturday at Rutgers University in Newark, said he replied that way because he didn't think he had enough evidence at the time to offer a "fully formed opinion."

His skepticism on the issue caused concern among clean energy advocates and environmentalists, because New Jersey has established an aggressive target for reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Last month, Board of Public Utilities (BPU) President Lee Solomon questioned whether the state might have to roll back those targets in the wake of the nuclear plant disaster in Japan, an event that makes developing new nuclear power in the U.S. much more problematic.

Christie did not mention who the climate scientists are and David Pringle, the federation's campaign director, declined to identify them after Christie left.

Quitting the Initiative

Meanwhile, a conservative group is pushing for New Jersey to quit a regional initiative among 10 Northeastern states to cooperatively reduce greenhouse gas emissions through a cap-and-trade program. The administration is currently reviewing its participation in the effort, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Commissioner Bob Martin told legislators earlier this month. Christie was not asked about this issue on Saturday and did not address it in his opening remarks.

To some critics, Christie's positions on the environment are motivated by his increasing national stature, and reflect a decision to subtly move his stance on certain issues to the right, should he seek national office.

Christie was well received at the federation's meeting, which had endorsed him in his gubernatorial bid. After he finished taking questions, including a few questioning some of those policies, about half of the 100-plus in attendance gave him a standing ovation. Christie told the federation its leadership would have the primary seat at the table in formulation of environmental policies, praising them for their "opinions and reasonableness."

That "reasonableness," however, has been viewed by some conservationists as providing cover for the administration in its efforts to roll back some environmental protections, a stance that has caused a fracture within the environmental community.

In his opening remarks, the governor touted his environmental policies, opposing offshore oil drilling, unlike fellow Republicans, he noted, who last week voted to open up more areas to exploration off the eastern seaboard. He also cited his administration's opposition to offshore liquefied natural gas terminals, to the dredging of the Delaware River and efforts to clean up dirty coal plants in Pennsylvania.

Funding Renewables

He also said the administration was committed to develop renewable energy sources, such as offshore wind, but suggested it would require investments from both ratepayers and taxpayers to make it happen.

In questions from the audience, Christie was asked why he had nominated to the New Jersey Highlands Council people who were fervently opposed to the law, which was supposed to protect water supplies and address other issue. Christie said he did not agree with the premise of the question, but added those members reflect his view that the Highlands law failed to compensate property-owners whose land had been affected by the regulations.

Asked about the relicensing of the Salem nuclear power plants, Christie said the issues at Oyster Creek, which his administration signed a deal with Exelon to close in 9 years, and Salem were different in operational terms. "I don't see us closing Salem," he said.

He also defended a controversial proposed waiver rule, that would allow DEP to waive certain regulations where exceptions are merited.

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Business Leaders Request a Stronger Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative

More than 200 business executives call on participating states to put more muscle in RGGI's cap-and-trade program

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Nearly two months after New Jersey said it would pull out of a regional initiative to curb greenhouse gas emissions, a few hundred business executives called on the 10 states participating in the program to strengthen and overhaul the effort.

In a letter issued yesterday, the business leaders urged New England and Mid-Atlantic governors to support and improve the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), a program designed to help deal with global climate change while supporting clean energy and energy efficiency programs.

"We believe strong clean energy and clean-aid policies create jobs and stimulate economic growth," the letter by more than 225 businesspeople said. "By reducing spending on out-of-region fossil fuels, RGGI improves energy security and economic competitiveness and frees up energy dollars for spending in other parts of our economies."

An Ineffective Initiative?

Calling the program ineffective and merely a tax on consumers, New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie said he would pull out of the program by the end of the year. In doing so, the Republican governor noted that the state already had achieved its goals for reducing greenhouse gas emissions through other programs.

The decision has been criticized by environmentalists and lawmakers, who passed a bill before the legislature's summer recess that would require the state to remain in the program. New Jersey is the first of the 10 states participating in the program to pull out of the initiative, which was originally designed to serve as a model for a national "cap-and-trade" program to deal with global climate change.

Christie is expected to veto the bill, but has yet to do so. The regional initiative has been targeted by conservative organizations, including Americans for Prosperity, which spent hundreds of thousands of dollars lobbying New Jersey to pull out of the initiative.

Capping Greenhouse Gas

The regional initiative, begun in 2005, established a regional cap on greenhouse gas emissions from power plants. Utilities that exceeded the cap paid into a fund that financed clean energy and energy efficiency projects in the states, with the cost ultimately passed onto ratepayers.

Backers say it has helped reduce emissions contributing to global climate change as much as 15 percent, but whether that reduction occurred because of the regional program or the recession and a big drop in natural gas prices is uncertain.

In the business leaders' letter, they argue the 10 states should to update the program to create more effective price signals, a recurring criticism of the current initiative. Opponents argued that RGGI never achieved its goals because the surcharges, about \$2 per ton, were not high enough to get companies to modify their plants or switch to cleaner fuels, a point made by Christie.

Rather than abandon the program, however, environmental groups and lawmakers had argued that the administration should work to strengthen it, as the business leaders are advocating in their letter.

"Updating the RGGI emissions cap to create effective pricing signals will accelerate in-region economic growth while reducing actual emissions," the letter argued.

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Subject FYI: RGGI Created 1700 jobs

Pulling Out of Greenhouse Gas Initiative an Expensive Mistake, Study Suggests

Derided by administration, RGGI actually created 1,700 jobs in the Garden State

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New Jersey is losing the opportunity to create jobs and spur growth by pulling out of a 10-state initiative to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, a new study suggests.

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In an economic analysis of the impact of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), a study commissioned by utility regulators claims that a cap-and-trade program initiated by Northeast states resulted in the creation of 1,772 jobs and \$151 million in economic value in New Jersey and a total of 16,135 jobs and \$1.6 billion in economic value throughout the region .

Gov. Chris Christie, in a decision that drew sharp criticism from clean energy advocates and Democratic lawmakers, announced in May that New Jersey would pull out of the program at the end of this year, calling it ineffective environmentally and nothing more than an electricity tax. Christie's move was especially disappointing to RGGI's backers, who hoped the regional initiative would serve as a successful prototype for a national effort to combat global climate change.

The study, done by the Analysis Group for the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, noted that the \$912 million paid out by electric customers to finance the program is offset by the more than \$1.1 billion in electric savings and \$174 million in gas savings customers will reap from a drop in energy use because of energy efficiency projects funded under the initiative.

The \$912 million in allowances paid out by power suppliers for each ton of carbon dioxide they emit is eventually passed on to utility customers. The money raised by the allowances is redistributed among the 10 states to use primarily on clean energy initiatives, although some states such as New Jersey used the money to plug holes in their budgets.

New Jersey received \$118 million, but \$75 million of that total was used to close budget deficits in the last year of Gov. Jon Corzine's term and the first year under Christie, who diverted \$63 million of the total.

"As the first U.S. experiment with a carbon price in electricity markets, RGGI has produced actual historical data that reveal the concrete economic impact at the state and regional levels," said Susan Tierney, one of the authors of the study and a managing principal in the Analysis Group, which is based in Boston. The report did not examine whether the program was meeting its environmental goals.

Steve Lonegan, state director of Americans for Prosperity, a conservative group that lobbied hard to have New Jersey pull out of RGGI, said he had not yet fully reviewed the report but called it flawed. "It's a bunch of government regulators trying to justify their existence," Lonegan said, calling RGGI an "income redistribution" program thought up by bureaucrats to take money from taxpayers.

The report argued otherwise. It claimed the economic benefits resulting from RGGI stem from the way the states use the funds raised by the allowances to buy goods and services—ranging from energy audits, increased sales of energy efficiency appliances, and labor to install solar panels.

Those investments lead to a drop in electricity prices over time, according to the report. The savings, a net gain of \$1.1 billion, break down into a drop in electricity bills of \$25 for residential customers, \$181 for commercial consumes and \$2,493 for industrial firms over the next decade.

Jeff Tittel, director of the New Jersey Sierra Club, argued that the savings would have been even more substantial in New Jersey if the Christie administration had not siphoned off \$63 in RGGI proceeds to balance its first state budget.

The report also noted reduced demand for electricity as a result of RGGI kept \$765 million in the local economy instead of sending the dollars out of the region to pay for fossil fuels such as natural gas and coal, which are largely not produced in the 10-state region.

Whether the study marks a shift in the national debate over global climate change remains to be seen, but the authors argued that the results are significant, given the size of the 10 states. They represent one-sixth of the nation's population and one-fifth of the U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP), while using 11 percent of the country's power generation, but accounting for only 6 percent of all the U.S. carbon emissions.

Given the nature of national politics, Matt Elliott, clean energy advocate for Environment New Jersey, said it is unlikely any national program will move forward soon. “But the study show what we hoped RGGI would demonstrate—it is good for the environment and it is good for the economy,” he said.

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If you have time for a little light reading....

Posted on Wed, Oct. 13, 2010

Environmental groups worry about Christie agency decisions

By Adrienne Lu

Inquirer Trenton Bureau

Two recent decisions by state leaders have some environmental groups worried that the Christie administration is putting business interests ahead of environmental concerns.

In one case, environmental advocates point to a decision to reopen the Office of Dispute Resolution, which faced heavy criticism under Gov. Christie Whitman. Companies can appeal to the office to settle disagreements over environmental regulations through alternative dispute resolution.

The second issue cited by some environmental advocates as problematic was a request for proposals issued by the Treasury seeking consultants to review applications and draft permits for land-use programs.

Regarding the Office of Dispute Resolution, the state Department of Environmental Protection announced in a news release last month the creation of the office "to help find common ground between the department and the regulated community to prevent differences from becoming full-blown legal battles."

"This office will head off potentially costly and lengthy litigation that may not have been needed had both sides simply met first to work out their differences," DEP Commissioner Bob Martin said in the release. "In finding common ground, however, we will not compromise protection of the environment."

Larry Hajna, a spokesman for the DEP, said Tina Layre, director of the Office of Dispute Resolution, had had 11 cases referred to her since the office opened in September. He characterized the cases as small, primarily concerning land use, as well as a couple of enforcement actions and a water case.

Some environmental advocates say they fear the office will do little more than let those who violate environmental regulations off the hook.

"This was considered one of the biggest abuses at DEP in the Whitman years, allowing companies that deliberately violated environmental law to get away with it," said Jeff Tittel, director of the New Jersey Sierra Club. "We believe the same thing will happen yet again, putting the environment and public health and safety at risk."

Tittel said that under Whitman, enforcement actions against environmental violators dropped dramatically after the creation of the Office of Dispute Resolution.

Bill Wolfe, director of the New Jersey Chapter of Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility, said dispute resolution was particularly prone to abuse because it was designed to overrule the judgment of DEP staff.

"The danger comes not only in using politics and intervention from above to overrule the technical judgment of staff, but when those meetings go down, there's not really accountability or transparency," Wolfe said. "If it were on the record with full disclosure, there would be an entirely different dynamic."

Hajna said settlement agreements would be made available to the public by the DEP.

Not all environmental advocates are on the same page. Dave Pringle, campaign director for the New Jersey Environmental Foundation, which endorsed Christie, a Republican, over incumbent Democrat Jon S. Corzine in the last election, said that while the Office of Dispute Resolution under Whitman was used to undermine environmental law, the Christie administration has assured the foundation that that will not be the case this time around.

Pringle said his organization was willing to withhold judgment until the evidence was in.

Business advocates welcome the new office.

"This office will theoretically allow for a mechanism for a company outside the agency with a problem to come together and avoid going to court and settle their disputes through this new office," said Hal Bozarth, executive director of the Chemistry Council of New Jersey, which represents chemical and pharmaceutical companies. "It's clear the Christie administration recognizes the DEP has been a contributor to New Jersey's very bad reputation as to a negative business climate. I think they're trying as many things as they can to reorganize DEP, and I think dispute resolution is a step in the right direction."

Dave Brogan, vice president for environmental policy for the New Jersey Business and Industry Association, said the office would help cut litigation costs for the state while helping to reach settlements faster.

On the issue of private consultants to deal with land-use permits, the DEP made no formal

statements about how or when such consultants would be used, and the issue came to light only when environmental groups discovered the request for proposals (RFP). The request states that \$200,000 to \$600,000 is expected to be available in the current fiscal year for the consultants.

The Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee has scheduled a hearing on the request for Thursday.

Michael Catania, president of the nonprofit organization Conservation Resources and a former deputy commissioner at the DEP, said the request raises some troubling questions, including whether the DEP is trying to quietly expand the privatization of permitting responsibilities.

"I am very concerned that if you're going to do this, instead of having a public debate, just doing it by posting something on a Treasury website really makes it look like you're ashamed of it and you're trying to hide it," Catania said.

Environmental advocates say the request for proposals could mean that consultants being paid by developers would draft and review land-use permits, possibly presenting a direct conflict of interest.

"The agency's job is to enforce the law; the office's job is not to enforce the law," said Dena Mottola Jaborska, executive director of Environment New Jersey. "I think the mission of that office is to find ways to allow regulated agencies to pay fines and comply with the law. There is a process in place for disputes, and we should follow that."

Hajna said the DEP had made no formal announcement because it only intends to use the consultants if a backlog of land-use work develops. With the building industry hit hard by the recession, though, there is no need for those consultants now, he said.

"We put out the RFP at this time just to be ready when the economy turns around," Hajna said. "We want to be able to assure that we are able to continue reviewing, processing applications in a timely fashion. It's not something we're anticipating using any time soon."

Catania was skeptical of that.

"It's a lot of work to pull together an RFP if they're not planning to do something about it," he said. "It seems it's an option they're exploring, and it has some serious implications."

DEP staff members are concerned the administration could be moving toward privatizing jobs, which could jeopardize environmental protections, said Adam Liebttag, president of Communications Workers of America Local 1036, which represents many DEP staff members.

"It is bad public policy to let the same entity fill out an application, certify that it is accurate and will cause no environmental harm, and then stamp it 'approved,'" Liebttag said. "That's taking the DEP totally out of the equation, and allows self-policing and self-approval by a party with a vested interest who will profit from the permit."

The Christie administration has talked about privatization as a way to make government more

efficient, but it has yet to name specific targets.

On the request for proposals for land-use consultants, too, business advocates applaud the administration.

"In light of the 'Great Recession,' any efforts to streamline our often duplicative and overlapping system are greatly appreciated by the home-building community," said Stefanie A. Riehl, director of government affairs for the New Jersey Builders Association. "We think it is possible to strike a balance between the state's environmental and economic needs, and believe that the efforts by the DEP take us a step closer toward reaching that equilibrium."

The Christie administration has made it clear the DEP is to become more efficient and customer-friendly.

On Thursday, Martin, who came to the DEP after 25 years at the business and technology consulting firm Accenture Ltd., announced a "transformation plan" to steer the department's efforts.

"This document establishes the process to transform the DEP into a more streamlined organization that maximizes the abilities of our fiscal and human resources to protect New Jersey's environment and natural resources," Martin said. "For the sake of both the environment and economy, we cannot continue to operate as we always have. We need to take bold steps to change how the DEP operates."

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Wantd to share with you an editorial just posted today in the Baltimore Sun about EPA and Administration Jackson.

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Baltimore Sun

EPA administrator stands tall

Our view: With latest rules, federal agency puts public health and welfare ahead of the financial interests of polluters

8:00 AM EDT, July 10, 2011

For those who long for clean water, breathable air and perhaps even a healthy Chesapeake Bay, there's at least one public figure willing to fight for your cause, and she's a former chemical engineer who has never held elected office.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lisa P. Jackson has emerged as one of the most effective figures in the Obama administration to date. She's a tough, no-nonsense, plain-spoken regulator who doesn't seem especially fazed by constant attacks from House Republicans who insist that EPA rules are costing the nation precious jobs.

Of course, the EPA is not the economic boogeyman that conservatives claim. While polluters must sometimes dip into profits to meet minimum environmental standards, studies have shown the net effect on the economy is hardly disastrous. A recent Office of Management and Budget report found the benefits of EPA regulations over the past 10 years outweigh the costs anywhere from 3-to-1 to as much as 20-to-1.

How is that possible? Because for every polluter who must toe the line – install scrubbers to take sulfur dioxide out of factory emissions, for instance – there are new jobs created in building and installing those scrubbers, opportunities in next-generation factories to replace aging technology, as well as health benefits to people living downwind from the facility.

The EPA is no jobs killer; it's often a job creator. But the agency's chief role is to look out for the health and welfare of the public by creating rules and procedures polluters must follow so that their profits are not based on choking or poisoning the American people.

One of the best examples came on Thursday, with the new EPA rules governing power plant emissions that contribute to soot, smog and acid rain. The agency estimates that for an additional \$1 billion investment to upgrade these plants, the public will be spared 34,000 premature deaths, 15,000 nonfatal heart attacks and countless cases of asthma and other respiratory ailments.

That's particularly helpful to residents of Maryland, where the state has already taken great strides to clean up local power plants but is powerless to do anything about coal-fired plants in the Midwest that send air pollution streaming eastward.

Of course, that won't stop the polluters and their allies in Congress from complaining about how the regulations will drive up costs while completely ignoring the billions of dollars in lost productivity and health care costs such air pollution causes downwind. Why should Maryland residents pay with their lives so others can run their air conditioners more cheaply?

But that's not the only battle Ms. Jackson and the EPA are taking on this summer and fall. New rules

governing mercury emissions, mining wastes, vehicle emissions and, most controversial of all, climate change, are also coming out – much to the chagrin not only of Republicans but some Democrats facing re-election in 2012.

That Ms. Jackson so far seems resolute in her agency's efforts is a tribute to her professionalism and integrity. No doubt there are even some in the White House who would prefer that the EPA soften or delay its approach.

Closest to home, she's also been a driving force in the Obama administration's efforts to create a "pollution diet" for the Chesapeake Bay by holding states in the watershed accountable. That's drawn howls of protest from farmers, builders and others who may face increased regulations – and costs – as a result. But it's the best hope in a generation for a cleaner Chesapeake Bay, and Marylanders should be thrilled by Ms. Jackson's advocacy.

That's not to suggest that everything ever written by an EPA bureaucrat is above criticism or should be the last word in public policy. But the reality is that the agency is not caving to industry as it did so often during the George W. Bush years. It is putting the public's best interests ahead of polluters, even the deep-pocketed, politically influential kind. That's reason to cheer.

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Phone: 360-902-4136**Gov. Gregoire's statement on EPA finding**

OLYMPIA – Gov. Chris Gregoire today released the following statement on the Environmental Protection Agency's endangerment finding that greenhouse gas emissions threaten public health:

"In 2007, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the Clean Air Act makes it incumbent upon the Environmental Protection Agency to determine if greenhouse gas emissions are a threat to public health and welfare. After a thorough review of the science and after assessing literally thousands of public comments, to include my own, on December 7, EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson signed an endangerment finding, obligating her agency to take the reasonable steps necessary to reduce greenhouse gas pollutants.

"A majority of my colleagues and I – Democrats and Republicans, alike – have worked at the state and regional level to promote clean energy jobs, energy independence, and caps on greenhouse gas emissions. In the absence of comprehensive federal energy and climate legislation, EPA must be applauded for accepting the responsibility Congress has given it under the Clean Air Act to reduce carbon dioxide and other pollutants that threaten our people and our communities." [attachment "attd5f7b.gif" deleted by Richard Windsor/DC/USEPA/US] [attachment "attd5f7c.gif" deleted by Richard Windsor/DC/USEPA/US] [attachment "attd5f7d.gif" deleted by Richard Windsor/DC/USEPA/US]

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From Politico yesterday, it didn't pop up for me, so hopefully you have seen this:

POLITICO

Greens try to rebrand air-rule foes

By: [Erica Martinson](#)

October 18, 2011 10:38 PM EDT

Environmentalists have a new nickname for members of Congress questioning the public health benefits of the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed air rules: health deniers.

It's a "new wing of climate science ... now denying the medical science," said Peter Iwanowicz, vice president of National Policy and Advocacy at the American Lung Association. "They believe that EPA has made this all up."

As the job creation conversation has taken over national political discourse, EPA and environmentalists have fought back against rhetoric that EPA is a "job-killing" agency — and the accompanying slew of legislation aimed at EPA regulations — by arguing that upcoming air regulations are needed to save lives, and that translates into massive national costs.

The "health denier" campaign takes the effort to another level and comes as critics of EPA air regulations have sought to undermine the science behind EPA and environmentalist estimates of risks to human health posed by toxic air pollution.

Members of Congress who are also medical professionals — six doctors and one dentist — recently wrote a letter to EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson, calling the public health claims accompanying EPA's proposed regulation to regulate hazardous air pollutants at utilities "dubious."

"Our strong concern is that EPA has been double counting particulate health benefits — taking credit for them in the context of this proposed rule when it well knows that past rule makings already address these concerns," the lawmakers wrote.

Jeff Holmstead, an EPA official under George W. Bush and current industry attorney, lays out the argument: "There are some real problems with EPA's claims, and in some ways ... the way they are used by EPA's supporters." Holmstead argues that "95-98 percent of

the benefits that they claim are ... going to be saving lives [are] of people who live in areas that already meet" air quality standards requirements.

Holmstead believes the real push behind utility rules is to shut down coal-fired power plants.

EPA has not formally responded to the letter from the lawmakers but told POLITICO in an email that "for every dollar spent to reduce this pollution, Americans get \$5-\$13 in health benefits in lives saved, asthma and emergency room visits avoided and more." The agency notes that the new standards will apply only to about 44 percent of coal-fired plants that do not already meet the requirements.

In 2016, proposed air rules would help prevent: "6,800-17,000 premature deaths; 4,500 cases of chronic bronchitis; 11,000 nonfatal heart attacks; 12,200 hospital and emergency room visits; 11,000 cases of acute bronchitis; 220,000 cases of respiratory symptoms; 850,000 days when people miss work; 120,000 cases of aggravated asthma; and 5.1 million days when people must restrict their activities," the agency said.

The game of questioning EPA regulations has long been pushed by Rep. Joe Barton (R-Texas), former Energy and Commerce Committee chairman, who this spring charged, "I think the EPA numbers are pulled out of the thin air."

And at an Energy and Commerce hearing on Sept. 22, Rep. Steve Scalise (R-La.) argued that "it seems like there are arbitrary numbers being thrown out just to justify a radical regulation that really has nothing to do with improving health and safety."

House members have acted on these concerns too: In the past several weeks, they passed the TRAIN Act, which would allow for review of the costs and benefits of EPA rules for power plants, gasoline and industry sectors, delay upcoming mercury standards for power plants and the agency's regulation of smog and particulate pollution across state lines, as well as bills to halt or limit EPA regulations for boilers and incinerators, cement plants, power plants and coal ash impoundments.

"The Clean Air Act, make no mistake about it, is under attack," Iwanowicz said Monday in a press call aimed at calling attention to the inclusion of 25 state attorneys general in a lawsuit asking for a one-year extension to EPA's Utility MACT standard for power plants that is due to be finalized Nov. 16.

"I think what they're doing here is trying to sow that same kind of doubt" as critics of global warming science do," he said.

Meanwhile, Rep. Henry Waxman, ranking member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, is on a tear to paint the House GOP as anti-environment. Last month, the California Democrat unveiled a searchable database of anti-environment votes in the 112th Congress — at press time, the count was 168 votes. That includes 71 to block pollution prevention regulations and 61 aimed at the Clean Air Act.

And EPA is making plans to promote its scientific beliefs further: Jackson announced Monday in a USA Today op-ed that she and Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius are launching a new initiative to provide environmental exposure information to local doctors.

In the joint op-ed, Jackson and Sebelius said that “one in every 12 Americans — and one in 10 children, suffers from asthma, which is worsened by air pollution. In total, our children’s exposure to air pollution and toxic chemicals costs America more than \$75 billion every year.” They go on to note that economically distressed and minority communities have a significantly greater risk of health problems because of pollution exposure.

Beyond focusing on environmental justice issues, the two agencies plan to combine their data “to give local policymakers access to detailed information on environmental factors and health disparities,” so that local officials can see the correlation between, for instance, air quality and asthma hospitalization data.

A spokeswoman with HHS said the agency is reviewing a report released earlier this month that addresses “how to promote the inclusion of occupational and environmental exposure histories into” electronic health records, as well as public comments received on the draft strategy.

An August report by nonpartisan publication American Economic Review measures gross external damages caused by industry via pollution, compared with value added to the economy, and found that in 2002 the aggregate pollution damages across all industries were \$184 billion, with the heaviest polluters coming from the agriculture and utilities sectors, the latter being the cause of \$63 billion in damages.

The study found “air pollution damages ... are greater than their net contribution to output” for seven industries: stone quarrying, solid waste incineration, sewage treatment plants, oil- and coal-fired power plants, marinas, and petroleum-coal product manufacturing. And “five industries stand out as large air polluters: coal-fired power plants, crop production, truck transportation, livestock production and highway street-bridge construction.”

Of its analysis, the study says, “At an intuitive level, it indicates that the regulated levels of emissions from the industry are too high.” But there are a number of uncertainties, the report notes, including “the value of mortality risks, the relationship of this value to age, the mortality effect of fine particulates and the social cost of CO2 emissions. Sensitivity analyses using alternative values for these parameters change the magnitude of the results significantly.”

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Press release on the House Energy and Commerce website:

Press Release

Editorial: Stop EPA's Energy Tax

February 11, 2011

Federal Authority: At a contentious hearing on legislation to keep the EPA from regulating global warming a power-grabbing hoax that is all pain for no gain.

The assertion came at a Wednesday hearing before the House subcommittee on energy. The measure is designed to reassert the authority of Congress to levy taxes on the American people, usurped by the unelected bureaucrats at the Environmental Protection Agency.

In a power grab that rivals ObamaCare in audacity and job-killing effects, the EPA has declared CO2 a byproduct of human and animal respiration and the basis for all life on earth, as a pollutant. House representatives — voted to pass it.

The EPA claims science has given it the justification, and the Supreme Court has given it the authority. Regulations governing virtually every aspect of American business and our daily life almost certainly will be issued. Leading off the witness list was Sen. James Inhofe, R-Okla., ranking member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee. He is also co-author of the legislation with House Committee Chairman Fred Upton.

Inhofe rightly noted that Congress deliberately did not regulate so-called greenhouse gases, but air quality, not climate change.

He also observed that EPA Director Lisa Jackson herself has acknowledged the Clean Air Act does not regulate "greenhouse gases." The House-passed Waxman-Markey did, but it died with Senate inaction and the Supreme Court's ruling on the issue. Along with Obama-Care, the American people also rejected the idea of taxing energy. Rep. Ed Whitfield, R-Ky., pointed out to Jackson, who was also called to testify, that Congress has acted on no fewer than three occasions. "Do you object to an up or down vote in Congress?"

"I would not presume to tell Congress what to do," Jackson answered, saying she was asked to let the EPA enforce the Clean Air Act, including heavy carbon emissions.

Inhofe disputed this, saying that while the Supreme Court said the EPA had the discretion to regulate "health and welfare," it did not authorize draconian regulations based on flawed science, including a tax on businesses, energy producers and American consumers.

Inhofe said he was there to question EPA's authority, not the science. But he did point out that a tax covering CO2 from cars would by 2100 reduce global temperatures by 0.006 degree Celsius.

In his opening remarks, Inhofe also noted that Dr. Tom Wigley of the National Center for Global Climate Change at the Kyoto Protocol on greenhouse gases, including action by the U.S., Europe, Canada

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Read the editorial online [HERE](#).

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Wantd to share with you an editorial just posted today in the Baltimore Sun about EPA and Administration Jackson.

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Baltimore Sun

EPA administrator stands tall

Our view: With latest rules, federal agency puts public health and welfare ahead of the financial interests of polluters

8:00 AM EDT, July 10, 2011

For those who long for clean water, breathable air and perhaps even a healthy Chesapeake Bay, there's

at least one public figure willing to fight for your cause, and she's a former chemical engineer who has never held elected office.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lisa P. Jackson has emerged as one of the most effective figures in the Obama administration to date. She's a tough, no-nonsense, plain-spoken regulator who doesn't seem especially fazed by constant attacks from House Republicans who insist that EPA rules are costing the nation precious jobs.

Of course, the EPA is not the economic boogeyman that conservatives claim. While polluters must sometimes dip into profits to meet minimum environmental standards, studies have shown the net effect on the economy is hardly disastrous. A recent Office of Management and Budget report found the benefits of EPA regulations over the past 10 years outweigh the costs anywhere from 3-to-1 to as much as 20-to-1.

How is that possible? Because for every polluter who must toe the line – install scrubbers to take sulfur dioxide out of factory emissions, for instance – there are new jobs created in building and installing those scrubbers, opportunities in next-generation factories to replace aging technology, as well as health benefits to people living downwind from the facility.

The EPA is no jobs killer; it's often a job creator. But the agency's chief role is to look out for the health and welfare of the public by creating rules and procedures polluters must follow so that their profits are not based on choking or poisoning the American people.

One of the best examples came on Thursday, with the new EPA rules governing power plant emissions that contribute to soot, smog and acid rain. The agency estimates that for an additional \$1 billion investment to upgrade these plants, the public will be spared 34,000 premature deaths, 15,000 nonfatal heart attacks and countless cases of asthma and other respiratory ailments.

That's particularly helpful to residents of Maryland, where the state has already taken great strides to clean up local power plants but is powerless to do anything about coal-fired plants in the Midwest that send air pollution streaming eastward.

Of course, that won't stop the polluters and their allies in Congress from complaining about how the regulations will drive up costs while completely ignoring the billions of dollars in lost productivity and health care costs such air pollution causes downwind. Why should Maryland residents pay with their lives so others can run their air conditioners more cheaply?

But that's not the only battle Ms. Jackson and the EPA are taking on this summer and fall. New rules governing mercury emissions, mining wastes, vehicle emissions and, most controversial of all, climate change, are also coming out – much to the chagrin not only of Republicans but some Democrats facing re-election in 2012.

That Ms. Jackson so far seems resolute in her agency's efforts is a tribute to her professionalism and integrity. No doubt there are even some in the White House who would prefer that the EPA soften or delay its approach.

Closest to home, she's also been a driving force in the Obama administration's efforts to create a "pollution diet" for the Chesapeake Bay by holding states in the watershed accountable. That's drawn howls of protest from farmers, builders and others who may face increased regulations – and costs – as a result. But it's the best hope in a generation for a cleaner Chesapeake Bay, and Marylanders should be thrilled by Ms. Jackson's advocacy.

That's not to suggest that everything ever written by an EPA bureaucrat is above criticism or should be the last word in public policy. But the reality is that the agency is not caving to industry as it did so often during the George W. Bush years. It is putting the public's best interests ahead of polluters, even the deep-pocketed, politically influential kind. That's reason to cheer.

Sarah Pallone/DC/USEPA/US
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This actually ran Saturday in the Globe.

Cleaning the air

Kenneth Kimmell

New air quality rules would build on the state's pollution limits

December 17, 2011|By Kenneth Kimmell

FOR YEARS, the Northeast has been called the "tailpipe of the United States" - a place where air pollutants from across the country foul our skies and lungs. That negative moniker is due to no fault of our own, but is a casualty of our location downwind of pollution sources in other regions.

Under Governor Deval Patrick, Massachusetts has led the nation in reducing pollution from power plants, cars and trucks, industrial sources and consumer products. For example, strict mercury limits for coal plants went into effect in 2008, and the plants have reported dramatic reductions in mercury emissions.

Yet, despite these efforts, the Commonwealth still has too many days each year of unhealthy air. This is largely due to the pollutants that are produced by power plants in upwind states in the Midwest and Southeast, and carried by prevailing winds into our backyards. Pollution from cars and trucks also continues to be a significant factor.

Fortunately, new rules from the US Environmental Protection Agency would require upwind power plants to cut pollution the way we have done here, which will level the playing field and ensure that Massachusetts reaps the benefits of its clean air rules. The EPA is also expected to propose rules to cut pollution from cars and light trucks through

tighter vehicle standards and cleaner gasoline. These rules deserve our support.

The EPA's Cross-State Air Pollution Rule, finalized in July, requires power plants to reduce emissions that cause ozone and fine particulates that can be drawn deep into one's lungs. This will cut down on the number of days that we need to warn our residents that our air is unhealthy, something that happened 10 times last summer.

The EPA estimates that nationwide, up to \$280 billion in health benefits will result from the new rule, due to 34,000 fewer premature deaths each year, 15,000 fewer non-fatal heart attacks, thousands of fewer hospitalizations, and 400,000 fewer cases of aggravated asthma throughout the eastern, central, and southern United States.

In addition, the EPA is expected to soon finalize a rule to reduce toxic emissions from large power plants - the Mercury and Air Toxics Rule. Mercury is a potent neurotoxin, particularly to the developing brain of the fetus and young child. Even small amounts of mercury are harmful.

Extensive scientific research shows widespread mercury pollution across New England, largely due to air deposition of mercury from upwind states. Because of high mercury levels, all New England states warn against eating certain types of locally caught fish.

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Gov. Gregoire's statement on Senate climate resolution

OLYMPIA – Gov. Chris Gregoire today issued the following statement on the U.S. Senate voting against a resolution that would have overturned EPA's authority to regulate greenhouse gas emissions:

“I applaud the Senate’s action today – and thank Senators Murray and Cantwell for their help in defeating this misguided resolution. I’ve worked diligently with governors on both sides of the aisle to promote clean energy jobs, energy independence, and caps on greenhouse gas emissions. The states need a strong partnership with the federal government so that collectively, the United States can assume its rightful place as the world leader in developing the clean energy future of the 21st century.

“Last December, I went to Copenhagen and learned firsthand how quickly the rest of the world is moving to develop clean energy technologies that they hope to export. With a strong comprehensive energy and climate bill, Congress can set the U.S. on the path to ensure our nation’s leadership in clean energy, while at the same time creating good jobs right here at home.

“Until Congress acts, we need the Environmental Protection Agency to continue to use its current authority under the Clean Air Act, upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court, to reduce carbon dioxide and other pollutants that threaten our people and our communities.”

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03/16/2011 06:21 PM

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Subject Fw: time sensitive

Thanks Judith!

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Judith - we'd like to provide the following statement for EPA use:

In response to EPA's proposed Utilities Toxics Rule to limit mercury pollution, Joseph Martens, Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation stated:

"Mercury is a powerful neurotoxin that accumulates in fish and humans. Although New York is requiring substantial emission reductions from its coal-fired power plants, the vast majority of the mercury contamination in New York comes from out-of-state sources. We are still studying the details of this complex proposal, but we are pleased that EPA is acting to limit harmful mercury contamination -- a national problem that needs a national solution."

New York is requiring coal-fired power plants to install air pollution controls to reduce mercury air emissions 90% by 2015. In conjunction with New England, New York developed a Clean Water Act pollution budget, accepted by EPA, that quantifies mercury's serious adverse impacts on waters throughout the Northeast. New York and New England also filed a formal Clean Water Act petition calling on EPA to reduce atmospheric mercury emissions nationally.

thanks, Michael

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hi tom and jared: today epa put out excellent national standards for mercury and other toxic air pollutants from coal and oil fired power plants. details on the www.epa.gov epa staff in washington reached out to governor cuomo's washington staff to request a supportive

statement but were told that they would not provide one. that is odd given ny's long history on this issue, including out of state atmospheric mercury doing so much damage to ny's lakes and rivers. below is a quote from delaware governor markell.

could you guys scramble and try to get a quote from governor cuomo and or commissioner martens? if so, please email it to me and pallone.sarah@epa.gov

many thanks. call me with any questions.

cheers,
Judith

?EPA?s proposed Utilities Toxics Rule builds upon work in Delaware that shows we can significantly reduce pollution from power plants through cost-effective and technologically feasible solutions. Delaware has adopted some of the most advanced air quality regulations in the nation. Despite these efforts, Delaware still faces air quality challenges with nearly 90% of our local air pollution coming from out of state sources. The proposed rule makes important strides towards requiring upwind sources to install the cost-effective pollution controls necessary to protect public health in Delaware and save millions of dollars of healthcare expenditures. We applaud EPA for their efforts.?

coal?”

That is precisely what Washington State has been trying to figure out. Washington has set a goal of reducing its own greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020. To help do that, it's moving away from coal. Under a deal reached this year, the state's last coal-fired power plant will switch away from coal and likely to natural gas by 2025.

But from the perspective of global warming, it doesn't matter whether Washington uses less coal if China and Korea use more of it. Greenhouse gas emissions anywhere contribute to global warming everywhere. So, if Washington is serious about fighting global warming, should it ship coal to Asia?

State officials in Washington aren't willing to ban the practice. Still, the coal export debate in Washington represents a hard test of how far a state should extend its environmental principles into global commerce — and a test of whether states can take meaningful action against global warming without national or international help.

China's demand

Until recently, sending American coal to overseas energy markets wasn't something anyone seriously considered. American utilities have a large appetite for coal, so it's been more profitable to send it to American power plants than to export it. But that is likely to change.

China's energy consumption is growing rapidly. The world's most populous country is embracing wind and solar power, but it is using a lot of coal as well. In the last decade, China built as much coal plant capacity as the entire existing capacity in the United States.

Meanwhile, the U.S. is gradually moving away from coal. States' renewable portfolio standards mean that utilities in much of the country are required to find alternative energy sources. Low natural gas prices also are hurting the domestic coal industry. No new coal plant has broken ground in the U.S. since 2008. While domestic coal consumption isn't disappearing by any means, the long-term prospects of the American coal industry may depend on finding markets overseas.

The stakes are especially large for Wyoming, which is the nation's largest coal producer, and Montana, which has the nation's largest coal reserves. “If you have lemons, you make lemonade,” says Bud Clinch, executive director of the Montana Coal Council. “We have coal.”

Today on the West Coast, only the Canadian province of British Columbia regularly exports coal. Two proposals in Washington State would change that. One would place a port terminal near Bellingham on the Canadian border. That proposal's backers are still conducting environmental reviews. The other is for the one at Longview, in Cowlitz County, which won approval from the Cowlitz Board of Commissioners a few months ago.

When that happened, a coalition of environmental groups objected. Their concerns included the local environmental consequences of transporting millions of tons of coal through their state, such as health problems from coal dust. More than anything, though, the environmentalists didn't want coal to be burned anywhere — in Washington State or halfway around the globe.

KC Golden, policy director with Olympia-based Climate Solutions, points out that once they're built, coal plants can operate cheaply for 50 years. That means that if China keeps building coal plants now, the world's most populous nation may well be committing itself to decades of greenhouse gas emissions.

"Do the math on the carbon," Golden says. "If China builds out three, four, five times as much coal capacity as it currently has, we are toast from a carbon prospective." While there are other countries China can get its coal from, such as Australia and Indonesia, environmentalists hope that if it doesn't have American coal China will decide that renewable energy sources make more economic sense.

In applying for its permit from Cowlitz County, Millennium Bulk Logistics, a subsidiary of an Australian coal company, hadn't conducted a full review of the project's environmental impacts. It said they would be minimal. Environmentalists appealed that conclusion to a state board. For Washington's Department of Ecology, the appeal raised a tough question: Just how broadly should the state look when considering a project's greenhouse gas emissions?

As it turned out, Washington never had to answer that question definitively. Documents emerged that showed Millennium officials discussing an expansion of the Cowlitz County port to handle as much as 80 millions tons of coal a year, vastly more than the 5 million tons the company had publicly acknowledged. Millennium withdrew the permit request, pledging to produce a complete environmental review before it moved forward.

No global policy

That move, though, only delays the choices facing the West Coast. The United States has the world's largest coal reserves. China has the world's largest demand for coal. It's only a matter of time until ports in Longview or Bellingham or elsewhere are ready to press their case.

Schweitzer, himself a Democrat, isn't shy about stating his desire to help them. He describes residents of Washington State as "these people that are living in these big houses with all this electricity they've been getting with Montana's coal." Now, he says, when Montana wants to send some of its coal overseas, some Washingtonians, who have consumed Montana coal for decades, think they can unilaterally stop it. "Do we have a global CO2 policy?" Schweitzer says. "Well, no. Do we have a CO2 policy? Has the American Congress even created a CO2 policy? No."

If it were only up to Washington's state government, Schweitzer would get his way. While Washington's laws give the state broad leeway to consider environmental effects beyond its borders, the state has concluded that it would be a step too far to take into account greenhouse gas emissions from the burning of coal shipped abroad through the state's ports.

"Washington is an export state, so where do you draw the line?" asks Janice Adair, special assistant to the director of the Department of Ecology. She says that if the state were to start considering the greenhouse gas emissions from the end uses of its exports, the implications would go far beyond coal. She uses the example of corn. "What if it's being used for cows that create methane? That's the kind of slippery slope that you get on."

There is no sign that the Washington State government will block construction of new port terminals to carry coal. The issue in the Cowlitz permit case was about disclosure, not whether the projects will ultimately be accepted.

Still, Adair thinks there's an important lesson in the delay of the Cowlitz project. A variety of local and state approvals will be needed before coal is ever exported from Washington, which will give environmentalists plenty of opportunities to stymie the effort.

“Any company that's going to be proposing exporting coal should be prepared for a tremendous amount of public scrutiny,” Adair says. “Coal is not illegal. It's the process that's going to trip anyone up, just like it did Millennium. The environmental community in this state is very organized and very large.”

Sarah Pallone/DC/USEPA/US

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Subject Fw: Statement from Mayor Emanuel on New Federal Rule to Limit Air Pollutant Emissions - For Immediate Release

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Statement from Mayor Emanuel on New Federal Rule to Limit Air Pollutant Emissions

I commend the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for introducing new standards to reduce levels of dangerous toxins in our air. Limiting emissions of mercury and other pollutants from coal and oil-fired power plants will save thousands of lives, protect public health, and create jobs for Americans. Our experience in Illinois has shown that mercury emissions can be dramatically reduced without any impact on reliability, cost, or quality of service. We must continue to clean our air and clean up this industry across the country, to create opportunities for Americans and allow all Americans to lead healthier lives.

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Governor Gregoire's release:

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Sarah and Tony: Apologies for not getting this out to you yesterday.

Mark

Gov. Gregoire's statement on new EPA Region X director

For Immediate Release: January 14, 2010

OLYMPIA – Gov. Chris Gregoire today released the following statement following the announcement of Dennis McLerran to be regional administrator for the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency's Region 10:

“I'm excited to hear of Dennis's selection to head the EPA's regional headquarters based in Seattle. Dennis has experience in important environmental issues that will serve the region and our nation well.

“Dennis is known as a strong leader. As the head of the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, he brought that to bear while working with the Washington Department of Ecology to establish effective approaches to improving air quality in the Puget Sound region. He was instrumental in the adoption of Washington's Clean Car standards, and is recognized nationally for his work on programs to reduce toxic diesel emissions from school buses and ports. He also has extensive knowledge of the challenges facing Puget Sound.

“As our state and region continue to plan for the impacts of climate change, I believe Dennis will be a strong partner with us. He knows local and state issues well and can bring that experience to improve state-federal relations. Dennis is well positioned to make the best use of EPA's wide range of resources to help meet our state and region's needs.”

Seth Oster/DC/USEPA/US

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Subject Quote on Murkowski Amendment

"U.S. industry and businesses have sought clarity and certainty about how carbon emissions will be addressed under government rulemaking. While we have worked to provide the clarity American business needs, the Murkowski amendment would deliver exactly the opposite. The Murkowski amendment would halt EPA's effort to give industry clear rules for storing carbon pollution deep underground. It would subject state permitting authorities and industrial permit applicants alike to more litigation, more delay, more uncertainty, and more expense. In large parts of this country, including our offshore oil and gas fields, the amendment actually would freeze industrial development entirely. And it would prevent the agency from collecting information that industry wants EPA to have in order to distribute transition assistance equitably and promptly under any future climate law. None of those results would be good for American jobs or American competitiveness, and certainly not for our efforts to address the dangerous levels of carbon polluting our skies."

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Subject In case you missed it.....NY Times: "Banks Grow Wary of Environmental Risks"

The New York Times

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Banks Grow Wary of Environmental Risks

By [TOM ZELLER Jr.](#)

Blasting off mountaintops to reach [coal](#) in Appalachia or churning out millions of tons of carbon dioxide to extract [oil](#) from sand in Alberta are among environmentalists' biggest industrial irritants. But they are also legal and lucrative.

For a growing number of banks, however, that does not seem to matter.

After years of legal entanglements arising from environmental messes and increased scrutiny of banks that finance the dirtiest industries, several large commercial lenders are taking a stand on industry practices that they regard as risky to their reputations and bottom lines.

In the most recent example, the banking giant [Wells Fargo noted last month](#) what it called "considerable attention and controversy" surrounding mountaintop removal mining, and said that its involvement with companies engaged in it was "limited and declining."

The bank was a small player in the sector, representing about \$78 million in bonds and loan financing for such companies from 2008 to April of this year, according to data compiled by the Rainforest Action Network, an environmental group tracking the issue.

But the policy shift by Wells Fargo follows others over the last two years, including moves by [Credit Suisse](#), [Morgan Stanley](#), [JPMorgan Chase](#), [Bank of America](#) and Citibank, to increase scrutiny of lending to companies involved in mountaintop removal — or to end the lending altogether.

[HSBC](#), which is based in London, has curtailed its relationships with some producers of palm oil, which is often linked to deforestation in developing countries. The Dutch lender Rabobank has applied a nine-point checklist of conditions for would-be oil and gas borrowers that includes commitments to improve environmental performance and protect water quality.

In some cases, the changing policies represent an attempt to burnish green credentials in areas

where the banks had little interest, and there is no indication that companies engaged in the objectionable practices cannot find financing elsewhere.

Still, banking analysts and others suggest that heated debate over [climate change](#), water quality and other environmental considerations is forcing lenders to take a much harder — and often uncomfortable — look at where they extend credit, and to whom.

“It’s one thing if your potential borrower is dumping cyanide in a river,” said Karina Litvack, the head of governance and sustainable investment with F&C Investments, an investment management firm based in London. “But if they’re dumping carbon dioxide into the air, which is not exactly illegal — what do you do? Banks are in kind of a quandary, because they are competing for business, and if they get holier-than-thou and start to play policeman, they risk allowing other banks to take that business.”

Environmental risk has been on the radar for lenders since the 1980s and early 1990s, when courts began forcing some measure of responsibility on banks for the polluting factories, [superfund](#) sites and other environmental problems that had, to one degree or another, been facilitated by their financing.

Congress passed a law in 1996 that limited the exposure of lenders on this front, but since then, most major banks have developed environmental risk management divisions as part of their commercial banking due diligence efforts.

Now, the rise of murkier issues like global warming, along with increasing scrutiny by environmental groups of banks’ investments in many other industries — like oil and gas development, nuclear power, coal-fired electricity generation, [oil sands](#), fuel pipeline construction, dam building, forestry and even certain types of agriculture — are nudging lenders into new territory.

“We’re taking a much closer look at a much broader variety of issues, not all of which are captured under state and local laws,” said Stephanie Rico, a spokeswoman for the environmental affairs group at Wells Fargo.

Ms. Litvack, of F&C Investments, pointed to [large protests](#) last week by many climate activists outside the [Royal Bank of Scotland](#) in Edinburgh. At least a dozen protesters have been arrested in demonstrations against the bank’s financing of oil sands development in Canada.

The [Royal Bank of Canada](#), meanwhile, responding to intense pressure from environmental advocates denouncing the bank’s financing of oil sands projects, hosted 18 international banks in Toronto in February for “[a day of learning](#)” on the “regulatory, social and environmental issues” surrounding the oil sands.

Globally, banks and environmental advocates are seeking to make things easier by developing best practices and other voluntary standards. [Citigroup](#), JPMorgan Chase and Morgan Stanley helped initiate the [Carbon Principles](#), which aim to standardize the assessment of “carbon risks in the financing of electric power projects” in the United States. Several international financial

institutions — including HSBC, Munich Re and others — have formed the Climate Principles, which aim to encourage the management of climate change “across the full range of financial products and services,” according to the [compact’s Web site](#).

In the United States, mountaintop removal mining has become both [increasingly common and contentious](#), as coal companies vie to feed the nation’s appetite for inexpensive electricity. An expeditious and disruptive form of surface mining, it involves blasting off the tops of mountains and dumping the debris in valleys and streams below.

A [report](#) published in May by the [Sierra Club](#) and the Rainforest Action Network estimated that nine banks were the primary lenders for companies engaged in mountaintop removal mining in Appalachia, and that they had provided nearly \$4 billion in loans and bond underwriting to those companies — chiefly [Massey Energy](#), Patriot Coal, and [Alpha Natural Resources](#) — since 2008.

The Rainforest Action Network, which has headed a campaign to highlight financial institutions with connections to the mining, said this month that the policy shifts were chipping away at the financing.

Citing Bloomberg data, for example, the group noted that Bank of America — listed as recently as 2008 as one of the “syndication agents” on a \$175 million revolving line of credit to Massey Energy — has eliminated that and all other connections to the company. The group also pointed to JPMorgan, which had previously underwritten \$180 million in debt securities to Massey, but no longer has any financial ties to that company. In May, the bank said it would be subjecting all future engagements with companies involved in mountaintop removal mining to “enhanced review.”

Some environmental groups have criticized that and other policies as providing too much wiggle room — and whether any of it has any real impact is an open question. Mining industry representatives say such policies often fail to consider laws already in place requiring coal companies to limit their environmental impact, and to restore former mine sites when they are finished.

Carol Raulston, a spokeswoman for the National Mining Association, an industry group, said that most of the policies in question position the banks to phase out lending over time — and only to companies that primarily engage in mountaintop removal mining. “Companies are still getting financing for their projects,” she said.

Roger S. Hendriksen, the vice president for investor relations for Massey Energy, suggested that environmentalists were overstating things, and that his company was having no trouble securing financing.

“While some banks no longer provide financing for companies conducting surface mining, there are many who will,” Mr. Hendriksen said. “We have and will continue to replace their services with alternate bank providers with little difficulty.”

But Rebecca Tarbotton, the executive director of the Rainforest Action Network, said in a

published statement that the banks' moves nonetheless send "a clear signal that these companies have a high risk profile and that other banks should beware."

"Bottom line," she added, "as access to capital becomes more constrained it will be harder for mining companies to finance the blowing up of America's mountains."

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Subject NY Times: "EPA Chief Stands Firm as Tough Rules Loom"

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Wednesday's New York Times will have a lengthy story about EPA and Administrator Jackson. The story is pasted below and this is the link to it online.

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E.P.A. Chief Stands Firm as Tough Rules Loom

By [JOHN M. BRODER](#)

WASHINGTON — In the next weeks and months, [Lisa P. Jackson](#), the [Environmental Protection Agency](#) administrator, is scheduled to establish regulations on smog, mercury, carbon dioxide, mining waste and vehicle emissions that will affect every corner of the economy.

She is working under intense pressure from opponents in Congress, from powerful industries, from impatient environmentalists and from the Supreme Court, which just

[affirmed the agency's duty](#) to address [global warming](#) emissions, a project that carries profound economic implications.

The new rules will roll out just as [President Obama](#)'s re-election campaign is getting under way, with a White House highly sensitive to the probability of political damage from a flood of government mandates that will strike particularly hard at the manufacturing sector in states crucial to the 2012 election.

No other cabinet officer is in as lonely or uncomfortable a position as Ms. Jackson, who has been left, as one adviser put it, behind enemy lines with only science, the law and a small band of loyal lieutenants to support her.

Ms. Jackson describes the job as draining but says there are certain principles she will not compromise, including rapid and vigorous enforcement of some of the most far-reaching health-related rules ever considered by the agency.

"The only thing worse than no E.P.A. is an E.P.A. that exists and doesn't do its job — it becomes just a placebo," she said last week in an hourlong interview in Houston. "We are doing our job."

Although she has not met with the president privately since February, Ms. Jackson said she was confident that he would back her on the tough decisions she had to make. "All of us are mindful that he has a lot of things to do," she said.

Attacks on her and her agency have become a central part of the Republican playbook, but she said she wanted no sympathy.

"Any E.P.A. director sits at the intersection of some very important issues — air pollution, clean water, and whether businesses can survive," said Ms. Jackson, a chemical engineer trained at Tulane and Princeton Universities and a former director of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. "No one knows this job unless they've sat in the seat."

Ms. Jackson said she intended to go forward with new, tougher air- and water-quality rules, including those that address climate change, despite Congressional efforts to override her authority and even a White House initiative to weed out overly burdensome regulations.

The first of these new rules is expected to be announced Thursday, imposing tighter restrictions on soot and smog emissions from coal-burning power plants in 31 states east of the Rockies. The regulation is expected to lead to the closing of several older plants and will require the installation of scrubbers at many of those that remain in operation. One former E.P.A. administrator, [William K. Reilly](#), who served under the first President George Bush, is a sometime adviser to Ms. Jackson. He said she was taking fire from all sides.

"She's got three very large challenges," Mr. Reilly said. "First, she's got to administer the [Clean Air Act](#) to try to accomplish something for which it was never designed, the control of carbon dioxide, a difficult regulatory challenge in itself. Second, she has to do that and cope with all these other regulations which are not of her making and have come to land on her desk in a climate of intense political polarization and economic distress."

"And the third challenge," he continued, "is that the White House — any White House — doesn't want to hear an awful lot from the E.P.A. It's not an agency that ever makes friends for a president. In the cabinet room, many of the secretaries got along with each other, but they all had an argument with me. It's the nature of the job."

Mr. Reilly said the White House had left Ms. Jackson out on a limb when it failed to push hard for the [cap-and-trade climate change bill](#) that passed the House in 2009 but stalled in the Senate last year. Administration officials had argued that legislation was far superior to agency regulation as a means of addressing climate-altering emissions. But when the bill ran up against bipartisan opposition in the Senate, Mr. Reilly said, "the White House didn't lift a finger," an assertion administration officials dispute.

The White House said that it fully supported the agency's aggressive standards for a variety of pollutants to protect public health and the environment and denied that it was resisting further regulatory action for political reasons.

"It's simply a matter of choosing the health and safety of the American people over polluters," Clark Stevens, a White House spokesman, said in an e-mailed statement, "and doing so in a common-sense way that allows us to protect public health while also growing the economy — which will continue to be a shared goal of this entire administration."

One of Ms. Jackson's most vocal critics is [Representative Edward Whitfield](#), Republican of Kentucky and chairman of the energy and power subcommittee of the House Energy and Commerce Committee. He has held several hearings at which Ms. Jackson served as target practice for opponents of E.P.A. regulation of carbon dioxide and other pollutants. Ms. Jackson said that was the roughest treatment she had gotten in her two and a half years in Washington.

Mr. Whitfield, who has never met privately with Ms. Jackson, was unapologetic.

"It is unprecedented the number of major regulations this administration is putting out," he said, "and I can't tell you how many calls and meetings and letters I have asking, 'Is there any way to slow E.P.A. down?' "

"What's troubling to us," Mr. Whitfield continued, "is that President Obama on the one hand is saying we have to be really careful about these regulations and consider the impact on jobs and the economy, but over at the agency they're just going full speed ahead with minimal attention or analysis on job impact."

One hot spot where Ms. Jackson can count on friendly treatment is "The Daily Show," where she has [appeared](#) three times in two years. Questioning from the host, Jon Stewart, was gentle, to say the least, referring in a recent show to the agency's "unassailable successes" in dealing with air and water pollution and to the "tremendous corporate interests" arrayed against her.

Even those most supportive of Ms. Jackson say that the agency has taken on a virtually unmanageable set of challenges across the range of policy, from mountaintop-removal coal mining to wetlands preservation to the control of toxic emissions from power plants and refineries. She is also in charge of federal restoration efforts in the Gulf of Mexico after the BP [oil spill](#).

"Have they bitten off more than they can chew?" asked Jason S. Grumet, president of the [Bipartisan Policy Center](#), who has close ties to the White House and the agency. "Yes. But that's a testament to their aspirations, and now reality is setting in."

The reality being that there is often political fallout whenever tough policy decisions are made, and that the timing of Ms. Jackson's rule setting could not be more inopportune for Mr. Obama. "It's always the case that there are conflicts between good policy and good

politics, and the E.P.A. is often the crucible of those challenges," Mr. Grumet said.

One of the toughest pending decisions, he said, concerns a standard for permissible levels of smog-causing compounds including [ozone](#). The agency's scientific advisory panel has recommended setting a high bar that could put hundreds of counties out of compliance with the law, forcing them to take action to reduce emissions, even though the pollutants may be generated beyond their jurisdiction.

The law requires that E.P.A. make such decisions based solely on the health effects of the pollution, not on the possible cost of compliance, creating a huge political problem.

"Telling a government that has to stand for re-election that it should make decisions with no consideration of cost is understandably going to create great agita in the political offices," Mr. Grumet said.

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I sent around an email about 20 minutes ago with a full briefing. You are on it. I can resend to you.

Boxer and Markey are done. Statement goes at 2:30 pm.

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Did you want to call him yourself before we go public on coal ash? I have a memory of you saying so, and that time would be now.

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Subject A Quote to Note.....

Below is a story related to our announcement yesterday on Pavilion from today's NY Times that includes a quote that I wanted to make sure you all saw. It underscores the points made by the Administrator at the retreat about the importance of the work you all do -- and I hope you'll look at it from time to time when the days get particularly challenging.

“This investigation proves the importance of having a federal agency that can protect people and the environment,” said John Fenton, the chairman of Pavillion Area Concerned Citizens. ***“Those of us who suffer the impacts from the unchecked development in our community are extremely happy the contamination source is being identified.”***

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E.P.A. Links Tainted Water in Wyoming to Hydraulic Fracturing for Natural Gas

By KIRK JOHNSON

DENVER — Chemicals used to hydraulically fracture rocks in drilling for natural gas in a

remote valley in central Wyoming are the likely cause of contaminated local water supplies, federal regulators said Thursday.

The draft report, after a three-year study by the Environmental Protection Agency, represents a new scientific and political skirmish line over whether fracking, as it is more commonly known, poses a threat in the dozens of places around the nation where it is now being used to extract previously unreachable energy resources locked within rock.

The study, which was prompted by complaints from local residents about the smell and taste of their water, stressed that local conditions were unusual at the site, called the Pavillion field, in that the gas wells were far shallower than in many other drilling areas around the country. The shallow depth means that natural gas itself can seep upward naturally through the rock, and perhaps into aquifers.

But the suite of chemicals found in two test wells drilled at the site, the report said, could not be explained entirely by natural processes. The agency's analysis of samples taken from deep monitoring wells in the aquifer indicated the presence of synthetic chemicals, like glycols and alcohols consistent with gas production and hydraulic fracturing fluids, benzene concentrations well above standards in the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act standards, and high methane levels.

Also complicating the inquiry is the Pavillion field's long history. The oldest wells there were drilled 40 years ago or more, and chemicals that might have been used were not required to be listed or reported to anyone.

The energy industry has long stressed that fracking and water contamination have never been definitively linked.

"When considered together with other lines of evidence, the data indicates likely impact to ground water that can be explained by hydraulic fracturing," the draft study said. And perhaps just as crucially, the evidence also suggested that seepage of natural gas itself had increased around the drilling sites. Natural gas is often mixed with other elements, including methane, which can taint water supplies.

"Data suggest that enhanced migration of gas has occurred within ground water at depths used for domestic water supply," said the draft study, which will now be sent for scientific peer review and public comment.

A spokesman for Encana Oil & Gas (USA), which bought the Pavillion field in 2004 and drilled some of the approximately 169 wells there, said the E.P.A.'s science was inconclusive. Encana's parent company is based in Calgary.

"What we have here is not a conclusion, but a probability — and based on the facts, not a good probability," said Doug Hock, the company's spokesman. He said that enhanced migration of gas as a result of drilling was unlikely in the Pavillion field, since drilling had reduced pressure in the underlying rock, thus reducing forces that can lead to gas seepage. And finding methane

and benzene in two deep test wells drilled for the study, he said, is what you would expect in a gas-rich zone.

“Encana didn’t put those there, nature did,” he said.

The governor of Wyoming, Matt Mead, also said in a statement that the E.P.A.’s conclusions were “scientifically questionable” and not based on enough data. Mr. Mead, a Republican, called for more testing by the E.P.A., in conjunction with a state group of residents, state and federal agencies, and Indian tribes already at work looking into questions about Pavillion’s water supply.

Wyoming, which is dependent on oil and gas drilling, along with coal mining, as anchors of its economy, will also be among the peer reviewers of the E.P.A.’s draft, the governor’s statement said. The chairman of a local Pavillion residents’ group — about 200 people, mostly involved in farming and ranching, who live in proximity to the drilling sites — expressed gratitude to the E.P.A., and perhaps a bit of veiled doubt about the zeal of local and state regulators.

“This investigation proves the importance of having a federal agency that can protect people and the environment,” said John Fenton, the chairman of Pavillion Area Concerned Citizens. “Those of us who suffer the impacts from the unchecked development in our community are extremely happy the contamination source is being identified.”

Gas drilling, using both hydraulic fracturing to release gas and horizontal drilling techniques that can snake underground far from the actual bore holes, is now moving into closer proximity to American population centers than in the past.

From the suburbs of Denver to Pennsylvania and Oklahoma, natural gas reserves, known about but previously unreachable for economic and technological reasons, are being tapped, and anxieties about the hydraulic injection process and its consequences are growing. Wyoming, in 2010, became one of the first states to require petroleum companies or their contractors to disclose the ingredients in their specially formulated fracking fluids. The E.P.A. has also begun a national study on the potential impacts of hydraulic fracturing on drinking water resources.

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E.P.A. Makes Its Case on Climate Change

By ELISABETH ROSENTHAL

Polls show that tackling climate change is a low priority for the American public. Indeed, a Yale poll found that only 12 percent of Americans were “very worried” about global warming. In the last few days, the Environmental Protection Agency seems to have initiated a public campaign to make clear where it, and the science, stand, stating that the rise in greenhouse gases is a serious problem to be confronted.

On Monday night, the E.P.A. administrator, Lisa Jackson, made the point as a guest on “The Daily Show With Jon Stewart.” And on Tuesday, the agency released an 80-page glossy report called “Climate Change Indicators in the United States” to help Americans make sense of climate change data.

That report begins: “Over the last several decades, evidence of human influences on climate change has become increasingly clear and compelling. There is indisputable evidence that human activities such as electricity production and transportation are adding to the concentrations of greenhouse gases that are already naturally present in the atmosphere.” The agency lays out 24 possible indicators of climate change — from United States greenhouse gas emissions to tropical cyclone activity to bird wintering ranges — while tracing how they have shifted in recent decades. It lays out what is known, according to the agency’s survey of current science, and what remains uncertain.

Some of the conclusions are already well publicized: “In the United States, greenhouse gas emissions caused by human activities increased by 14 percent from 1990 to 2008.”

Others are less so: “Long-term studies have found that bird species in North America have shifted their wintering grounds northward by an average of 35 miles since 1966, with a few species shifting by several hundred miles.”

And, given the long snowy winter in the mid-Atlantic states this year, readers will certainly find this one interesting: “The portion of North America covered by snow has generally decreased since 1972, although there has been much year-to-year variability. Snow covered an average of 3.18 million square miles of North America during the years 2000 to 2008, compared with 3.43 million square miles during the 1970s.”

The report makes clear that some phenomena that might be viewed as “proof” of climate change may or may not be: From 2001 to 2009, it notes, roughly 30 to 60 percent of the nation was

experiencing drought at any given time. But it adds that “data for this indicator have not been collected for long enough to determine whether droughts are increasing or decreasing.” Filled with charts and graphs, the report is a valuable resource for voters who are trying to make sense of climate change or how they feel about national environment and energy policy. And just as the climate skeptics pored over a landmark 2007 report by the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change in search of possible errors, I’m sure that they’ll be going over the E.P.A.’s offering with a very fine-tooth comb.

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Governor Paterson Releases Climate Action Plan

ALBANY, NY (11/09/2010)(readMedia)-- Governor David A. Paterson today released the New York State Climate Action Plan, which offers a path to rebuild New York's economy and create tens of thousands of jobs by providing a blueprint for reducing greenhouse gas emissions 80 percent by 2050. By refocusing New York's manufacturing infrastructure to support clean energy policies, the State could reach both economic and environmental goals simultaneously. The Governor's plan details how New York can modernize and transform the State power supply,

building codes and agriculture through utilizing clean energy and technology.

"The global race for the clean energy economy is on. We can buy solutions to our energy and environmental challenges from others. Or we can take the initiative and develop clean energy industries right here in New York State," Governor Paterson said. "We must make the investment in our future prosperity now by implementing the strategies and policies that will enable us to meet our aggressive clean energy and environmental goals. By reinventing our State's economy to lead in the global race toward energy independence, we can develop clean energy technologies right here in New York. Our present investments will ensure that the Empire State leads the way in utilizing clean, renewable energy as an engine for economic growth."

The Climate Action Plan recommends, among other actions:

- Accelerating the development of zero- or low-carbon sources of power, reducing reliance on petroleum and upgrading the power grid to increase the use of renewable energy.
- Enhancing construction codes, appliance standards and consumer incentives to ensure construction of the most energy efficient, environmentally-beneficial buildings.
- Encouraging transportation efficiency by developing low-carbon fuel standards, promoting greater use of electric-based public transport, creating rebates/incentives to encourage the sale of efficient cars and light trucks and investing in freight and high-speed rail.
- Promoting sustainable policies in agriculture, forestry and waste sectors, including decreasing the amount of waste generated, supporting the use of renewable forms of clean energy on farms and increasing the use of low-carbon biomass fuels.
- Targeting research and development funds toward helping New York businesses develop low-carbon energy technologies while addressing State energy and infrastructure needs.

"Responding to climate change is an imperative for government. We must not allow ourselves to sit on the sidelines and get bogged down by contrived arguments from climate change doubters while other states and countries take the lead in developing a clean energy economy. The path ahead will require long-term dedication to make the public and private investments necessary to keep us moving in the right direction. But ignoring the need for action will be more costly in the long run," the Governor concluded.

In 2009, Governor Paterson directed the development of a State Climate Action Plan with his Executive Order No. 24. This Order set the goal of reducing the State's greenhouse gas emissions by 80 percent (compared to 1990 levels) by 2050 and established a Climate Action Council to determine how to meet the goal. State agencies then launched a process that brought together more than 100 technical experts and the broader public to develop the plan including strategies for meeting the Governor's emission reduction and clean energy goals.

In 2011, the Climate Action Council will further refine these preliminary ideas, finalize cost information and economic potentials, analyze the macroeconomic impacts of the policies, and

outline a strategy for implementation.

The interim report is open to public review and comment through February 7, 2011. The report and instructions for submitting comments can be found at: <http://nyclimatechange.us/>. The New York State Climate Action Plan Interim Report Fact Sheet can be found at: <http://www.ny.gov/governor/more/ClimateActionPlanInterimReportFactSheet.pdf>.

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The following statements were provided in support of the Governor's Climate Action Plan:

Senator Antoine Thompson said: "As Chair of the Environmental Conservation Committee, I welcome this extraordinary opportunity to work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to answer one of our greatest environmental challenges: climate change. I commend Governor Paterson on drafting such a thorough and aggressive Climate Action Plan, which will serve as the catalyst for job creation and a healthier environment in New York State. I am honored to play a critical role in this effort."

Carol E. Murphy, Executive Director of the Alliance for Clean Energy New York (ACE NY), Inc., said: "ACE NY commends Governor Paterson for acknowledging the imperative of reducing our carbon emissions and for establishing the Climate Action Council and plan. With aggressive deployment of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies we can achieve major progress in meeting both short and long-term emissions reductions goals, which will fortunately have the added benefit of creating desperately needed economic development opportunities. ACE NY and its member organizations and companies look forward to helping the State to continue developing a sustainable energy infrastructure in New York."

William Sweet, Vice President of Construction and Engineering for Golub Corporation/Price Chopper Supermarkets, said: "The Climate Action Council has been instrumental in indentifying the types of challenges and changes necessary to make us environmentally sustainable as a State. I am happy to be a part of this monumental fete and represent the private sector, knowing that I have one small part in helping New York's reach its goals for a clean energy economy."

Steve Corneli, Senior Vice President of Market and Climate Policy for NRG Energy, said: "NRG is pleased to have worked with the State of New York and other stakeholders in developing this roadmap to a low carbon future. Given our significant investment in New York and our major clean energy initiatives across the nation, we look forward to being an active partner in helping the State achieve its sustainable energy goals."

Johanna Wellington, Sustainable Energy Advanced Technology Leader, GE Global Research, said: "GE commends the State on bringing together all of the key stakeholders to create a plan of action for addressing our energy challenges. We're pleased to be a part of the dialogue and are optimistic a Climate Action Plan can be implemented that not only drives clean energy solutions, but fuels new economic opportunities and job creation across New York State."

Sean Sweeney, Director of the Cornell Global Labor Institute, School of Industrial and Labor

Relations, said: "There is a climate crisis and there is a jobs crisis, and we must address both at the same time. Unions engaged in developing the Climate Action Plan therefore support the State's science-based commitment to dramatically reduce emissions. Such a commitment will generate jobs in energy conservation, mass public transit, transforming power generation, green manufacturing and sustainable agriculture. However, it is crucial that these 'climate jobs' to be good jobs that sustain families and communities."

Ashok Gupta, Senior Energy Economist and Director of Energy Policy at the National Resources Defense Council, said: "The good news is that done right, addressing global warming pollution will result in immediate jobs associated with making existing buildings more energy efficient, reduction of pollutants harmful to public health and making the State and region more competitive through necessary investments in transmission, renewables, clean fuels, and transportation infrastructure. This plan shows how that could happen in New York."

Robert Moore, Executive Director of Environmental Advocates of New York said: "Governor Paterson's Climate Action Plan lays the groundwork for reducing New York's greenhouse gas emissions 80 percent by the year 2050 through clean energy development and reductions in energy consumption. Thanks to Governor-elect Andrew Cuomo's firm commitment to action on climate change in his 'Cleaner, Greener NY' environmental agenda, we fully expect that these recommendations will be aggressively pursued."

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Under Pressure—Q & A With EPA Head Lisa Jackson
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EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson—who has emerged as the Republicans' favorite target as the party looks to dismantle environmental protections—sat down with us for a 10 Questions in this week's issue. That interview was condensed to fit one page—click below for the full transcript:

To of your Republican predecessors recently wrote in the Post that the EPA is under siege from Republicans. Do you see that as the case? Do you see a war going on against the EPA?

There are certainly some members of Congress who I think have come in with an agenda that includes this agency, and we hear words like scaling back and you even hear things like defunding. I really

appreciate two former Republican heads of this agency who point out that this agency plays an extremely important role in protecting American's health and the environment.

The key point of argument is really these EPA regulations that could be coming on climate change. Can you outline quickly, what is the agency going to be looking to do on this issue?

As I've said before, we're talking about common sense steps that get us started. Using the Clean Air Act, updating standards under the Clean Air Act to address pollution, in this case, greenhouse-gas pollution. In a common sense way, the Clean Air Act history, not the rhetoric, but the history of the Clean Air Act is that it moves in moderate steps that add up over time to pollution reduction. I think we can use the Clean Air Act to get started on greenhouse-gas pollution, as we have on other types of pollution, very successfully.

In the past, both you and President Obama have said that you much prefer Congress to take the lead on greenhouse gases, probably preferably through a cap and trade program as opposed to regulation. Why should the EPA be in the business of doing this regulation?

Well first off because it's the law. The Clean Air Act and Supreme Court cases have said that EPA must determine whether or not greenhouse gases endanger public health. We have determined, based on multiple lines of scientific evidence, that they do. And the Clean Air Act then requires us to act. The second reason is more of a common sense approach. Although I joined the President in calling for legislation, that doesn't mean we can't get started using the Clean Air Act to make a series of moderate steps that would add up to real reduction. And third, and certainly not the least important, but a little bit different, is that industry needs to know what the rules of the game are going to be. So in the absence of legislation, the Clean Air Act and the requirements of the Clean Air Act, touch certainly the power sector. No one's ever denied that. Require them to make pollution control investments, so we don't have unlimited amounts of pollution, including carbon pollution, entering our air.

You've called Congressional attempts underway right now to restrict the EPA's ability to regulate these gases draconian. If some of the legislation that's out there right now were to go through, what would it mean for the agency?

The biggest criticism that I've leveled - and I've done it in my hearing testimony - is that what the current efforts do is overrule scientists on a scientific finding. Congress is essentially passing a law that says, We, a bunch of lawmakers, have decided what the science is on this issue. And that to me is what this Congress could be remembered for, more than anything else. History will forget a lot of the day-to-day, inside the beltway discussions about riders and budget and trying to get rid of or defund the EPA, but I don't think that history will forget the first time that politicians made a law to overrule scientists.

Speaking of testifying, you've been called upon frequently since the Republicans have taken over the House to testify on Capitol Hill. They said that you might need your own parking space there. Do you feel that you are being targeted personally?

I certainly hope not. I have no reason to think that. But, listen, I have so far and continue to - although getting ready for hearings is - I certainly take time out - I see it as part of my job. I should be able to explain our actions to Congress, and I should be able to explain them to the American people. I think facts matter. So one of the things that we've used these hearings to do is point out the facts of what the EPA's doing, not what special interests are saying we're doing. They're very different things. In the countryside, Americans want a strong EPA that protects public health, that reins in polluters. Inside the beltway, they may be bombarded with different messages. It's an opportunity for me, as head of this agency, to speak to what we are doing.

Are there other ways you can go around that mouthpiece and actually make that case to the American people? Do they understand what it is the EPA's mission really is?

It isn't our job to poll them, but polling data, there's a new one out to do from the League of Conservation Voters, showing that the American people want a strong EPA. We have another Gallup poll out today saying that Americans remain unchanged in their concern about environmental issues, particularly clean

water issues. Events of the day, as usual, point out the things that we don't think about until we need them. One of them is our RadNet monitoring system, which has been out there monitoring air quality and now is coming into highlight because of the horrible tragedy in Japan. So it's also my job as head of this agency to try to manage the budget that we get, so we squeeze every drop of environmental protection out. It's also my job to point out when I think either cuts or legislation or proposals are going to tie the hands of this agency and let industries that want to pollute, go unchecked.

If indeed we do see legislation that would block the EPA's regulatory ability on greenhouse gases actually go through Congress, are you confident the President would veto?

Listen, the President's been really clear all along that he supports this agency following the law. Whenever he's talked about it, he and I have said we call for legislation, but we also need to follow the Supreme Court decision. The other issue here is that these are not thumbs up, thumbs down issues. We are happy to work with Congress to insure that we work on a common sense timetable to address the largest polluting industries. We've proposed rules that are actually deregulatory to insure small and medium size businesses aren't covered. We've had wonderful success in moving this country toward more efficient cars, and we're working on more efficient trucks. So it's my hope that we can get into the discussion, some real facts about what we have accomplished and try to allay real or imagined fears about what we might do.

Speaking of that fear, we often see in bad economic times like we have now, this argument that America can't afford both strong environmental protection and policies that would promote job creation. Can those needs be balanced? How should they be balanced?

They have been balanced in this country for 40 years, as long as there's been an Environmental Protection Agency, as long as there's been a Clean Air Act, a Clean Water Act. We've shown the world that it can and should be done. We have cleaned the air. We're not done. We have cleaned the water. We're not done. But we've done it while our country prospered. So I don't think we should minimize the concerns of the average American, but I think the proof - it's important to look at what has been done, not these doomsday scenarios that special interests trump up about what might happen. Well what has happened? It's also important to - I get a chance to do a little bit of work internationally and I think we've also seen, and it's pretty stark what happens when you try to pick economic development over clean air or clean water. It may seem like a short-term gain, but once air is dirty, once water is dirty, it is extremely expensive to clean it up and untold lives have been impacted or untold illness and cost have been accrued.

Another somewhat controversial subject the EPA's going to be getting into soon is that study that's being formulated on hydraulic fracturing and shale-gas drilling. The EPA did a study on this back in 2004. A lot of people in the industry ask, Why do we need a new one?

The study back in 2004 was what scientists might call a review of the existing literature. No samples were taken, no independent studies were done. It was a very narrow look at a very specific set of data. This is a much different study. This is a comprehensive look at the impact of hydraulic fracturing on drinking water, which means surface water and groundwater resources. Even the [inaudible] of the study is going through a peer review. We've been very transparent and open about it. It's important to understand that no one in this agency, including recently we had the former head of the water program who said he believed that the 2004 study was over-interpreted, that people were drawing conclusions from it that the study itself did not warn, and I agree with that.

We're nearing the one-year anniversary of the BP oil spill. At this point, is it possible to begin to really get a fix on how much environmental damage was done to that region by the spill?

Scientists will tell you that the picture will continue to emerge over several seasons. Those who study the ecosystem and the food chain out in the Gulf will tell you that we need to see what happens this year, but not only this year. It may take several years to manifest itself. I think in general the science that's coming back is somewhat reassuring, which is that, I think, partially because of the distance from shore, partially because of the efforts that were made the government and the private sector to respond to the explosion and the spills and the ongoing spill afterward, that we may see a situation where the ecosystem can

recover quite well. But there will be studies for years and years, and you know what, the ecosystem deserves to be studied because I think that there's a skeptical group of people down there and they deserve to know that real resources are going into understanding their resource and any impact on it.

You grew up in that region. For you to go back when that spill was happening, personally to see Louisiana and that region getting hit by disaster again, another one that like Katrina, that had issues of manmade problems that went along with it. What did that mean to you?

It was an honor to be able to go back and serve a region I call home. In this job and in the jobs I've had before, I've had to respond to major crises - either environmental crises or crises that had environmental components. And in all the cases, the work I came here to do, I mean no one wants a crisis, but my belief is that we can protect the environment even when we're responding to a crisis. So it's an honor to be able to do it. It was - the only difference with the Gulf spill is that I would go home and see people I knew and hear from people I knew who would reach out to me and want to make sure that their voices were being heard. It made me feel good to know that they knew that they had a person at a very high level in their government, who they could reach out to and who was hearing them. If it brought them any comfort, I'm happy, but it's also my job.

You're chairing the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Taskforce. What are your plans for that? Is it going to go beyond just looking at what happened with the oil spill and also take on the other environmental damages, hypoxia, erosion to coastal wetlands? Are we really going to be able to make that region better than it was before the spill?

That is the intent of the taskforce. This is not about a response to the oil spill. In fact there's separate work going on. This is about the President's other promise, which was to make the Gulf ecosystem stronger and more resilient than it was when the oil spill happened, the day before it, if you will. So to me this taskforce is an opportunity to give voice to people in that region who have been working literally for decades trying to be a voice for coastal restoration, for the ecosystem as a whole, how to balance the myriad needs of a working Gulf with the demands of a tourist-based economy that exists many times in the exact same spot. As head of this agency I chair the taskforce for Chesapeake Bay. I've sit on a Commission for the Great Lakes. I sit on the National Oceans Commission. This is the opportunity for the Gulf Coast, the Gulf of Mexico to get that same level of attention, and it's long overdue.

Are we ready for another spill of this nature, should it happen again? Have we learned something from this first experience to make sure either it doesn't happen again or if it does we can respond better and faster?

We are more ready. The thing I have learned in this career of mine is that you can never anticipate all the ins and outs of any crisis. Part of this is having really experience and bright people who can respond to what the crisis is on the ground, but yes we're more ready. We've dealt with some issues in the course of that crisis that have highlighted work that can be done. Here at the EPA we've gone back to our National Response Team and offered additional guidance and questions on everything from the use of dispersants to the preparation of the response plans that are in place in every region of the country to deal with releases to water. We've also looked at facilities on land and beefed that up. We're doing additional research on dispersant chemistry and the use in general. So I never like to say we're 100% ready because the next emergency, if and when it comes, could be entirely different. But we learned and we're certainly more ready. Probably, in my experience, this crisis more than any other was an example of a team effort by government. Certainly on a federal level, this far surpasses any response I've been involved with in terms of how we worked as a team, our whole government approach.

The EPA recently had its 40th birthday. Where do you see the agency in another 10 years time? How will it change from what it is now?

If history's any guide, the American people will continue to support a strong, independent agency that protects their health and the environment for future generations. I think this agency, if history is any guide, will continue to need to be both a strong protector, but also incorporate the kind of flexibility that responds

to the issues of the day. For us whether it's an agency that through the Energy Star program saw the need for us to deal with energy efficiency voluntarily, I think the world has caught up with that. We'll see this agency moving into issues of sustainability that cross any individual media even more and more, where we look at pollution, is it sustainable for water, air and land? We'll continue to deal with issues of adaptation to climate change. I think because of the change in demographics in this country, we will see issues that are important to Latinos and African Americans come to forefront, and those tend to be issues of environmental justice, longstanding pockets of pollution that just haven't been addressed, the unfinished business of this agency.

With the agency coming in for a lot of criticism in the press and some members of Congress, how do you keep your workers feeling optimistic, keeping from feeling that they're under attack as well?

My job is to go to the hearings and talk about their great work, but the other thing I say to them - I worked in this agency for over 15 years as a career employee, non-political and it's not about us. It's not about this agency. It's not about any individual effort. It's about reminding us what it is we come here to do. And that's to uphold the environmental laws of this country. This agency has lived through tough times before, where it seemed as though the politics in Washington were aligned against it. What has always made a difference in the environmental field is that the public, the people of this country, know that clean air and clean water are important, that were it not for the work of this agency, there would be more sickness, more illness, more incidences of water that can't be used, that doesn't support fishing or can't be used for drinking. So what I tell them is to keep their eye on their jobs, to do their jobs with impeccable science and integrity and I feel confident that the American people will then turn to us as they should.

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House Republicans are willing to deal when it comes to budget riders to hobble the EPA.

One of the many sticking points in the budget brawl under way on Capitol Hill is the slew of controversial amendments House Republicans are pushing for in a short-term spending bill – including riders to limit federal spending on EPA rules, Planned Parenthood and other hot-button issues.

But many GOP lawmakers – including staunchly conservative freshmen – say they're not drawing lines in the sand when it comes to hamstringing the Obama administration's environmental policies.

"I want to see spending cuts, and that's right now where I think the speaker is and where the majority of the caucus is," freshman Republican Rep. Cory Gardner of Colorado told POLITICO on Monday night after a caucus meeting about the budget negotiations. "I haven't seen anybody say that they have to have this or that on the EPA."

Gardner serves on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, with jurisdiction over EPA rules.

Another Energy and Commerce Committee freshman, Rep. Morgan Griffith (R-Va.), said he'd be willing to do without EPA riders if the spending cuts were big enough. "It might be a deal-maker; it wouldn't be a deal-breaker," he said of attaching EPA amendments. "I'm very concerned about debt as well."

House Republicans cleared a spending bill in February for the remainder of the fiscal year that included riders to limit EPA rules on issues including climate change, mountaintop mining and water pollution. But those riders have caused friction in the tense budget negotiations, and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid

told reporters last week that EPA was one area where Senate Democrats refuse to budge. Reid has said that the Senate will consider some GOP policy riders in order to strike a deal.

Of the amendments Republicans are pushing for, EPA isn't at the top of the list for some. Rep. Lee Terry (R-Neb.) said he's heard demands from his colleagues for amendments to defund Planned Parenthood and the administration's health care policies, but not for EPA riders.

"The biggest thing I hear at home is defund Obamacare," said Rep. John Shimkus (R-Ill.), "so if there is a major rider that's probably the big issue that people bring back from their districts, it's probably Obamacare."

And despite overwhelming support in their caucus to stifle EPA regs, House Republicans appear willing to use other venues like stand-alone bills or future budget deals to attack agency rules.

"We'd like to have it," Rep. Jeff Flake (R-Ariz.) said of EPA pre-emption, but "that's something that we can work on in [fiscal year 2012] and do it in a more deliberative fashion, so we'll see."

House Republicans have offered a spate of additional bills so far this Congress aimed at limiting EPA regulations, and the House is slated to vote Wednesday on legislation from Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Fred Upton (R-Mich.) to unravel EPA's authority to regulate greenhouse gases. Still, many EPA critics see budget negotiations as their best bet to curtail the agency because while many of those measures can likely clear the House, they'll have trouble making it through the Democratic-led Senate and winning the president's approval.

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Statement by the President on Senator Murkowski's Resolution of Disapproval, S.J. Res. 26

I commend the Senate for rejecting the resolution put forward by Senator Murkowski, which would have increased our dependence on oil by blocking efforts to cut the harmful pollution that contributes to climate change. Today's vote is yet another reminder of the urgent need to pass legislation that would help America transition to a 21st century clean energy economy that would create jobs, strengthen our national security, and protect our environment for our children. Today, the Senate chose to move America forward, towards that clean energy economy – not backward to the same failed policies that have left our nation increasingly dependent on foreign oil.

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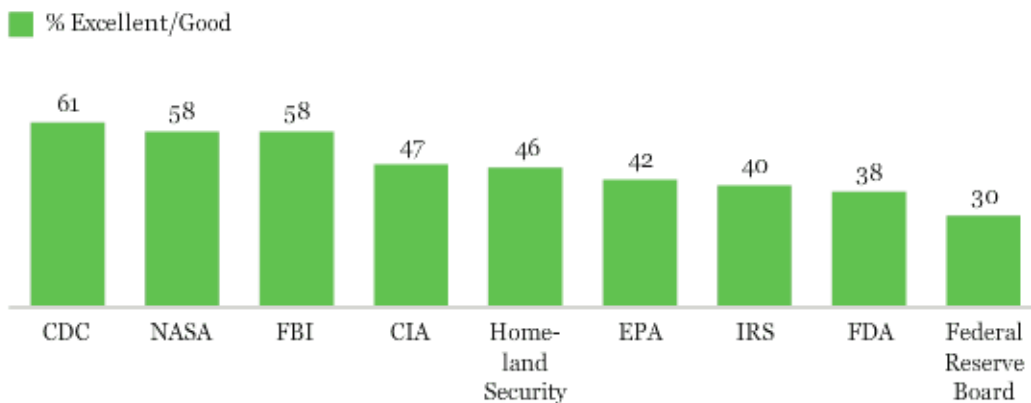
CDC Tops Agency Ratings; Federal Reserve Board Lowest

NASA ratings remain high, while Federal Reserve has lost ground

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PRINCETON, NJ -- At a time when Americans are discouraged about [the direction of the country](#) and hesitant about the scope of President Barack Obama's [federal budget plans](#), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, NASA, and the FBI earn credit for a job well done from a majority of Americans. The 61% who say the CDC is doing an excellent or good job can be contrasted with the 30% who say this of the Federal Reserve Board, making the latter the worst reviewed of nine agencies and departments rated in the July 10-12 Gallup Poll.

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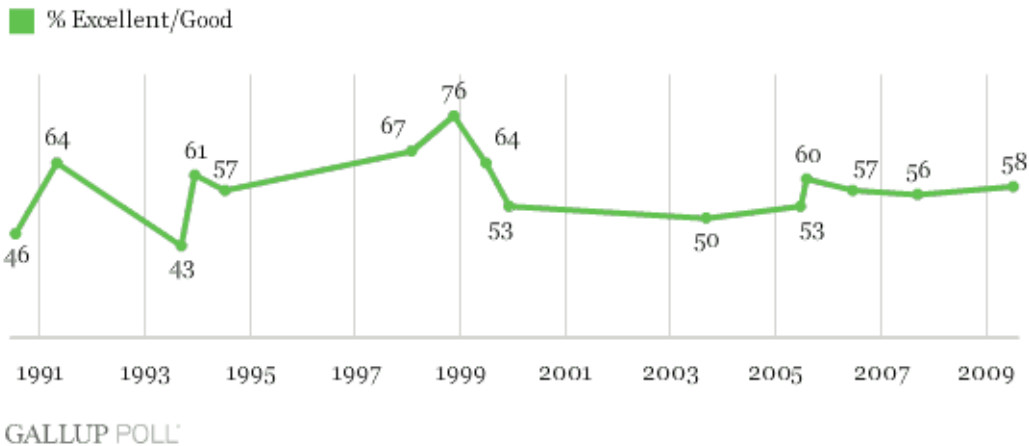
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The two national security-oriented groups included in the recent poll -- the CIA and the Department of Homeland Security -- receive moderate performance ratings, with just under half of Americans saying each is doing an excellent or good job.

The Environmental Protection Agency, Internal Revenue Service, and Food and Drug Administration fall a notch lower in the rankings, as close to 40% of Americans give each of them credit for doing an excellent or good job. The relatively low ranking of the FDA is of particular note with regard to the scrutiny the agency has been under, given recent attention to U.S. food safety.

The new poll, conducted just prior to the 40th anniversary of the July 20, 1969, moon landing by Apollo 11 -- perhaps the most celebrated of all NASA achievements -- finds NASA's rating about where it has been in recent years. While not nearly as high as it was in late 1998 (a month after John Glenn's successful return to space), NASA's current excellent/good score falls within the upper half of ratings it has received over the past two decades.

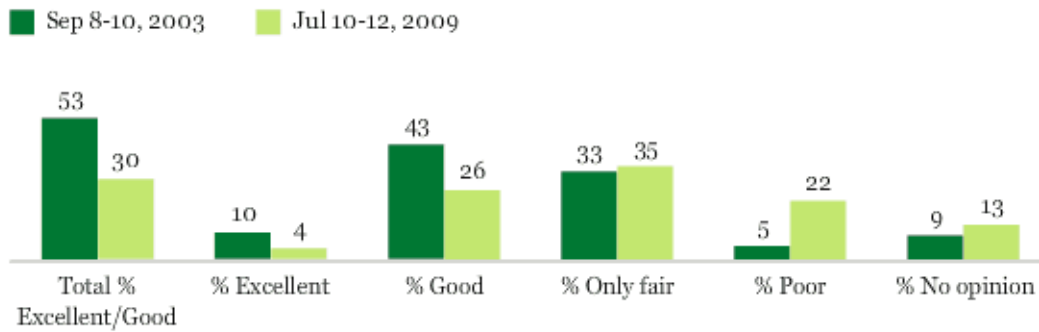
Job Ratings for NASA, the U.S. Space Agency



Today's rating of the FDA is the first measured by Gallup, but all other agencies on the list were previously rated in September 2003 (NASA, as shown, has been rated multiple times). The only significant changes since that time are a sharp deterioration in perceptions about the Federal Reserve, and a decline in highly positive views toward the CDC.

In 2003, the slight majority of Americans, 53%, said the Federal Reserve was doing an excellent or good job and 5% called it poor. Today, 30% of Americans praise the job the Fed is doing, while nearly as many, 22%, call it poor. While this ratings downturn coincides with a substantial drop in consumer confidence toward the U.S. economy over the same period, it is unclear how much of the Fed's image decline is due to the general decline in the country's economic climate, as opposed to specific perceptions about the agency's performance in carrying out its monetary responsibilities and possibly its role in the crisis surrounding U.S. financial markets. The Fed's low excellent/good rating may also reflect the higher-than-average percentage of Americans having "no opinion" about this arm of the government, relative to the other agencies rated.

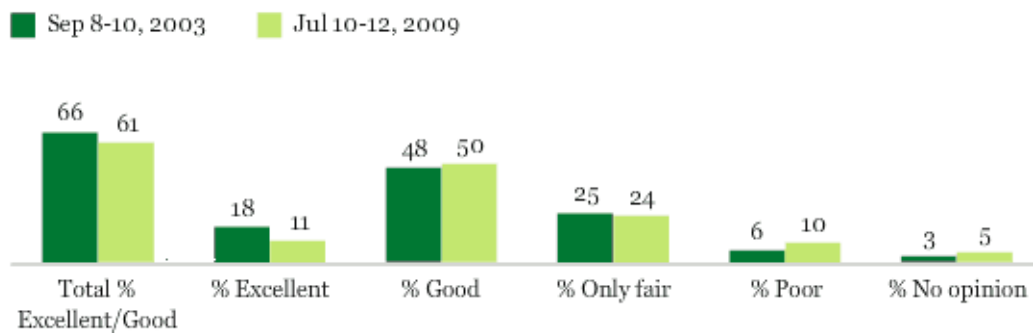
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The CDC has had a particularly high public profile since April, when cases of the H1N1 virus, also known as swine flu, were first detected in the United States. Whether its role in tracking the disease and informing Americans about the illness has elevated or hurt the agency's image is not clear. However, compared with six years ago, fewer Americans believe the agency is doing an "excellent" job -- now 11%, down from 18%. Overall, the percentage saying it is doing an excellent or good job is now 61%, down from 66%.

Job Ratings for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or the CDC



GALLUP POLL

Bottom Line

Americans are broadly satisfied with the work the CDC, NASA, and the FBI are doing. The CIA and the Department of Homeland Security are also fairly well reviewed; however, the current job ratings of the EPA, IRS, FDA, and Federal Reserve Board all have significant room for improvement.

Survey Methods

Results are based on telephone interviews with 1,018 national adults, aged 18 and older, conducted July 10-12, 2009. For results based on the total sample of national adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the maximum margin of sampling error is ±3 percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on land-line telephones (for respondents with a land-line telephone) and cellular phones (for respondents who are cell-phone only).

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

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1991 May 2-5	16	48	24	6	6
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G. The Environmental Protection Agency, or EPA					
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 2, 2010

**TODAY: Labor Secretary Hilda Solis, Carol Browner, Assistant to the President for
Energy and Climate Change to Hold Press Conference Call to Discuss President's
Remarks on Home Retrofit**

WASHINGTON – Today, at 1:30 p.m. EST, Labor Secretary Hilda Solis and Carol Browner, Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Change will hold an on the record press conference call to discuss the President's remarks at Savannah Technical College about providing incentives for consumers who retrofit their homes to become more energy-efficient in order to create jobs, save money for families and reduce pollution that threatens our environment.

WHAT: On the record conference call on Home Retrofit with Labor Secretary Hilda Solis and Carol Browner, Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Change

WHEN: TODAY, Tuesday March 2, 2010
1:30 p.m. EST

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Update: The President is currently attending a second multilateral meeting with many of the same leaders he met with earlier today. Yu Qingtai, Special Representative on Climate Change Negotiations of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, is representing China at the meeting.

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Update from Press Secretary Robert Gibbs

After arriving, President Obama joined a multilateral meeting with the following leaders which just concluded -

Australian Prime Minister Kevin Rudd

United Kingdom Prime Minister Gordon Brown

French President Nicolas Sarkozy

Danish Prime Minister Lars L. Rasmussen

German Chancellor Angela Merkel

European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso

Japanese Prime Minister Yukio Hatoyama

Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles Zenawi

Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina

Brazilian President Luiz Lula da Silva

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March 2, 2010

FACT SHEET: HOMESTAR ENERGY EFFICIENCY RETROFIT PROGRAM

WASHINGTON--In his State of the Union address, the President called on Congress to pass a program of incentives for homeowners who make energy efficiency investments in their homes. Today, while touring a training facility at Savannah Technical College, the President outlined more details of a new "HOMESTAR" program that would help create jobs by encouraging American families to invest in energy saving home improvements. Consistent with the President's call for a HOMESTAR program, the Senate Democratic leadership included a proposal of this kind as part of their [Jobs Agenda](#) released on February 4, 2010. The President looks forward to continuing to work with Members of Congress, business, environmental and labor leaders to enact a HOMESTAR program into law.

Background on the HOMESTAR program

With unemployment in the construction sector near 25% and with substantial underutilized capacity in our manufacturing sector, the HOMESTAR program has the potential to jumpstart our economic recovery by boosting demand for energy efficiency products and installation services. For middle-class families, this program will help them save hundreds of dollars a year in energy costs while improving the comfort and value of their most important investment – their homes. In addition, the program would help reduce our economy's dependence on oil and support the development of an energy efficiency services sector in our economy. Key components of the HOMESTAR Program include:

- **Rebates delivered directly to consumers:** Like the Cash for Clunkers program,

consumers would be eligible for direct HOMESTAR rebates at the point of sale for a variety of energy-saving investments in their homes. A broad array of vendors, from small independent building material dealers, large national home improvement chains, energy efficiency installation professionals and utility energy efficiency programs (including rural utilities) would market the rebates, provide them directly to consumers and then be reimbursed by the federal government.

- **\$1,000 - \$1,500 Silver Star Rebates:** Consumers looking to have simple upgrades performed in their homes would be eligible for 50% rebates up to \$1,000 - \$1,500 for doing any of a straightforward set of upgrades, including: insulation, duct sealing, water heaters, HVAC units, windows, roofing and doors. Under Silver Star, consumers can chose a combination of upgrades for rebates up to a maximum of \$3,000 per home. Rebates would be limited to the most energy efficient categories of upgrades—focusing on products made primarily in the United States and installed by certified contractors.
- **\$3000 Gold Star Rebates:** Consumers interested in more comprehensive energy retrofits would be eligible for a \$3,000 rebate for a whole home energy audit and subsequent retrofit tailored to achieve a 20% energy savings in their homes. Consumers could receive additional rebate amounts for energy savings in excess of 20%. Gold Star would build on existing whole home retrofit programs, like EPA's successful Home Performance with Energy Star program.
- **Oversight to Ensure Quality Installations:** The program would require that contractors be certified to perform efficiency installations. Independent quality assurance providers would conduct field audits after work is completed to ensure proper installation so consumers receive energy savings from their upgrades. States would oversee the implementation of quality assurance to ensure that the program was moving the industry toward more robust standards and comprehensive energy retrofit practices.
- **Support for financing:** The program would include support to State and local governments to provide financing options for consumers seeking to make efficiency investments in their homes. This will help ensure that consumers can afford to make these investments.

The program will result in the creation of tens of thousands of jobs while achieving substantial reductions in energy use – the equivalent of the entire output of three coal-fired power plants each year. Consumers in the program are anticipated to save between \$200 - \$500 per year in energy costs, while improving the comfort and value of their homes.

BACKGROUND ON PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S PRESIDENTIAL EVENT

- **Business Leaders**
 - *Larry Laseter, President of Masco Home Services.* Masco is a Fortune 150 company specializing in products and services for the home building and home improvement business, including windows and doors, installation, and contracting. After being hit particularly hard by the recession (40% reduction in workforce over a several year period), Masco created Masco Home Services (MHS) a year ago with the

intent to provide residential energy efficiency retrofits to American households. Laseter is a Georgia resident, and MHS will open a Home Performance branch in Atlanta in May.

- Mike Lawrence, Vice President and General Manager for Insulation Systems, Johns Manville. Johns Manville is a leading manufacturer and marketer of insulation and roofing materials for commercial, industrial, and residential applications. Johns Manville is based in Denver, CO and has manufacturing facilities in Georgia as well as California, Montana, Arizona, Indiana, Ohio, Virginia, Texas, and New Jersey.

- Mark Andrews, CEO, North America, Knauf Insulation . Knauf Mark was named to a newly created North American CEO position in January 2010. Knauf's US headquarters is in Shelbyville Indiana, and Knauf has manufacturing facilities in Indiana, Alabama, and California.

- **Local Efficiency Contractors**

- Patrick Shay, Green Swap . Patrick is an architect and co-founder of Green Sweep, an energy efficiency company that works with residential, commercial and industrial customers on cost saving clean energy and energy efficiency upgrades. Pat is also a Chatham County Commissioner and chair of the Chatham Environmental Forum, which is addressing energy, climate and other sustainability issues in the Savannah Chatham area.

- Howard Feldman, Coastal Green Building Solutions . Howard is a co-founder of Coastal Green Building Solutions. He is a builder, renovator and a certified RESNET HERS rater, which means he evaluates homes and businesses for energy efficiency opportunities and upgrades. Howard's company works in both Georgia and South Carolina. In addition to Patrick Shay and Howard Feldman, several other Savannah-area contractors and small businesses who would create jobs if this program were passed are in attendance.

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Subject FOR YOUR REVIEW -- NY Times/LA Times Op-Ed Draft --

It's the Sustainable Economy

Today we celebrate the 40th anniversary of Earth Day, and later this year we will mark the 40th birthday of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and 40 years of the remarkably successful Clean Air Act. The suite of environmental protections that took shape in 1970, along with a sweeping Clean Water Act in 1972, remain some of the most effective policies in our history.

What is sometimes less noticed is that those actions were about more than environmental protection. They also represented an economic philosophy, a belief that American industries could continue to expand and innovate without jeopardizing our health and welfare. And it worked. Despite the overheated rhetoric we often hear today about runaway environmental regulations killing jobs, our history is one of healthier families, cleaner communities – and, yes, job-creating innovation and a stronger America.

Forty years of environmental action have meant cleaner air in our cities and safe water in our homes. These changes have made our communities healthier, reducing exposure to pollution that causes cancer, heart disease and respiratory illness – three of the top four deadliest conditions in our country. And they've made our economy stronger by giving cities and towns what they need to attract new residents and new jobs.

But let's note what also took place during those same four decades of environmental progress.

We have seen the rise of a world-leading environmental technology industry. In 2007 environmental firms and small businesses in the US generated \$282 billion in revenues and \$40 billion in exports, and supported 1.6 million American jobs. That number doesn't include all the engineers and professional services firms that support those businesses.

This industry has also created cutting-edge innovations and technologies to meet new environmental and health standards. One powerful example is the catalytic converter. When EPA used the Clean Air Act to phase in unleaded gas and catalytic converters in the early seventies, major automakers fought it. The Chamber of Commerce claimed "entire industries might collapse" as a result. But today, lead pollution in our air is 92 percent lower than it was in 1980. Emissions of dangerous air pollutants that cause smog, acid rain, and more have been cut by more than half. And in the same period, our gross domestic product grew by 126 percent. Rather than hurting the economy, American innovators and entrepreneurs found ways to produce and sell more cars without increasing pollution that threatened our cities and caused costly and often deadly health problems for Americans.

At a time of historic economic difficulty, the Obama administration has sought out similar opportunities to improve our economy by protecting our environment. In a groundbreaking step

in our work against climate change, President Obama formed an alliance with American automakers to set aggressive emissions standards for American cars and light trucks. The next generation of clean cars will protect our health and environment and keep almost a billion tons of carbon pollution out of our skies. At the same time, they will American drivers and reduce our dependence on foreign oil by billions of dollars.

Notwithstanding periods of difficulty, the last 40 years have seen steady improvements in the health of both our environment and our economy. Progress on both fronts has been driven by smart environmental policies that keep us healthy, strengthen our communities, and foster industry innovation. Looking ahead to the next 40 years, it is clear we must continue on the same path. Sustainability and planetary stewardship must be part of the economic growth that is reaching more and more people around the world every day. Without protections for the water, air and land that communities depend on, our economic horizons are limited. Without innovations like clean energy and energy efficiency, the global economy will be running on empty within our lifetimes.

Our economy and our environment are inextricably linked. If we want forty more years of American leadership in the global marketplace, then there is no choosing one or the other. The first generation of Earth Day leaders understood that truth. Our generation can set in motion four more decades of prosperity by insisting today that our economic and environmental interests work hand in hand.

Lisa P. Jackson is the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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A Conversation With EPA's Lisa Jackson

By Joyce Jones

EPA administrator insists everybody has a right to clean air and water in their communities.

Filed Under Earth Day, Lisa P. Jackson

Since taking over the helm of the Environmental Protection Agency, Lisa P. Jackson has been on a mission: clean air, clean water and a strong green economy in every American community. Blacks, in particular, she says, need to understand the connection between the environment and their daily health, and the adverse impact living around contaminants, whether they be lead paint or the filthy abandoned buildings and lots known as brownfields. Jackson spoke with BET.com about her efforts to ensure that African-Americans are getting the information they need so their communities can benefit from her agency's environmental clean-up efforts, including green jobs.

BET.com: What are some of the biggest environmental challenges you've faced as EPA administrator?

Lisa Jackson: There are a number of standards that needed to be updated under the Clean Water Act and the Clean Air Act that really provide fundamental protections for the American people. We've been quietly attacking and getting rid of that backload of

rulemaking, but not without running into special interests and lobbyists for polluters who are trying to stop us.

Probably the thing closest to my heart is the work we're doing on expanding the conversation on the environment and environmental justice. I'm the first African-American to run EPA and it provides a real opportunity to bring home to all communities that clean air and water aren't the purview of the very wealthy; they're something all Americans need and deserve and should insist on.

What are some of your plans for the upcoming year?

We're initiating a launch of a partnership with faith-based groups across the country to educate people about the environment and public health protections. It's an opportunity to work with communities on the issues that they're concerned about, whether that's energy efficiency or jobs in a clean energy economy. Or something really important, like asthma and explaining to people how it's connected to air pollution and what their government is doing and has done to improve air quality and what needs to happen in the future to make it even better.

Do you think that environmental justice is still a very pervasive issue in Black communities?

Absolutely. The idea of environmental justice is two-fold. It's looking back and realizing that for whatever reasons—sometimes historic racism, sometimes poverty—there are communities in this country that have the disproportionate share of impacts. It's also looking forward. How do we ensure that those communities get economic opportunities, like jobs, and at the same time have cleaner air.

What are some of the more noted environmental accomplishments and disappointments in Black communities in the last year?

We've proposed the first-ever mercury and air toxic standards in our country that primarily affect power plants that burn coal. They set tough standards to reduce the amount of mercury, which is poison for children's developing brains, and other contaminants like arsenic, chromium and acid gasses. That could save an estimated 17,000 premature deaths every year once it's implemented. We've also proposed the strictest standards for smog, which is a direct cause of asthma attacks on hot summer days and will be finalizing them in July.

Do you think that African-Americans are as aware as they should be of environmental inequities?

I think it's changing but we still have a challenge to make sure that environmental challenges aren't on the very bottom of their list. We haven't always done a good job of making a connection between the environment and our daily health.

How does one fight some of the misconceptions of what it means to be "green?"

Part of our job is to educate. It's one thing to have government talk to you about being green. What about a neighbor who tells you what it's like to live with asthma or how their child suffered because of lead poisoning or may be having developmental issues that might be tracked to the environment and the horrible fear of not knowing whether something [they were exposed to] before birth might cause problems later? When we as a community talk to each other we learn a lot and dispel myths.

There's lots of talk about a green economy and green jobs, but little information about how to get those jobs. What are some of the entry- and mid-level points?

Community colleges are a great linkage point for young people, but also for people seeking retraining. They offer courses on everything from environmental energy auditing to how to repair and care for pollution technology. Young people understand the importance of green technology. They see it as the jobs of the future.

More than one million jobs will have to be filled to help power utilities comply with the Clean Air Act. What and where will those jobs be?

A recent study by the University of Massachusetts and Ceres estimated that close to 1.5 million jobs will be needed just to implement two requirements over the next several years. They are jobs that range from the technician all the way up to the engineer level and across the country. They'll be centered in places where there are old dirty power plants that need to be cleaned up, but in some cases we'll see new power plants being built to modernize and reduce pollution coming from our utility sector.

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I like this one, even though it's positioned as if we're on the defensive.

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September 14, 2010

EPA Chief Blasts Lobbyists For Making 'Doomsday Predictions'

By Tennille Tracy, Of DOW JONES NEWSWIRES

WASHINGTON -(Dow Jones)- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lisa P. Jackson took a swipe at industry lobbyists Tuesday, saying their " doomsday predictions" of environmental rules and the rules' impacts on U.S. businesses are often false and exaggerated.

"We are not going to fall victim to another round of trumped-up doomsday predictions," Jackson said during a symposium to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Clean Air Act.

Jackson's comments coincide with EPA's ongoing efforts to regulate greenhouse gas emissions -- a controversial endeavour that has sparked widespread criticism from lawmakers and lobbyists alike.

Energy lobbyists, in particular, have criticized the EPA for using its authority under Clean Air Act to regulate greenhouse gases and have said the costs of complying with the rules could cripple some sectors of the industry and kill jobs.

Jackson's comments, made during a 15-minute keynote address at the Washington, D.C., symposium, appeared to be a direct response to those attacks and a defense of her agency's decision to regulate carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases.

Jackson said the EPA's rules are based on solid science, pointing to a so- called endangerment finding the agency released last year. She also reminded audience members that the EPA was directed to regulate greenhouse gases by the U.S. Supreme Court, which decided in 2007 that greenhouse gases are air pollutants under the Clean Air Act.

She also denied claims that EPA's efforts represented a "bureaucratic power grab," which some industry representatives have claimed in urging the U.S. Congress to block the agency's efforts.

Jackson also criticized some lobbyists for openly encouraging the EPA to regulate greenhouse gases in the most aggressive way possible, saying their goal was to make greenhouse gas rules so burdensome that it would create a backlash and force the EPA to back down.

Fortunately, Jackson said, "the Clean Air Act does not require EPA to act in a reckless manner."

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For Immediate Release

September 21, 2010

Dr. Lawrence H. Summers, Director of the National Economic Council, to Return to Harvard University at the End of the Year

WASHINGTON - Dr. Lawrence H. Summers, Director of the National Economic Council and Assistant to the President for Economic Policy, announced his plans to return to his position as University Professor at Harvard University at the end of the year.

Dr. Summers is the chief White House advisor to the President on the development and implementation of economic policy. He also leads the President's daily economic briefing.

"I will always be grateful that at a time of great peril for our country, a man of Larry's brilliance, experience and judgment was willing to answer the call and lead our economic team. Over the past two years, he has helped guide us from the depths of the worst recession since the 1930s to renewed growth. And while we have much work

ahead to repair the damage done by the recession, we are on a better path thanks in no small measure to Larry's wise counsel. We will miss him here at the White House, but I look forward to soliciting his continued advice and his counsel on an informal basis, and appreciate that he has agreed to serve as a member of the President's Economic Advisory Board."

Dr. Summers said "I will miss working with the President and his team on the daily challenges of economic policy making. I'm looking forward to returning to Harvard to teach and write about the economic fundamentals of job creation and stable finance as well as the integration of rising and developing countries into the global system."

Dr. Summers oversees the coordination of economic policy making across the Administration, leads the President's daily economic briefing and has been a frequent public spokesman for the Administration's policies.

Under Dr. Summers's leadership, the National Economic Council has been at the center of economic policy making in the Obama Administration. He served as an architect of the Recovery Act and other job creation measures and the Financial Stability Program. As co-chair of the President Auto Task Force, he led the restructuring of the U.S. automobile industry. He has also played a leading role in managing our international economic relationships including China, developing the President's health care plan, opening the broadband spectrum, and in international climate negotiations.

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EPA Air Chief Offers 'No Apologies' for Greenhouse-Gas Permitting Rule

By ROBIN BRAVENDER of [Greenwire](#)

U.S. EPA air chief Gina McCarthy today defended the agency's controversial proposal that limits greenhouse gas emissions only from the nation's largest industrial sources, calling it an appropriate strategy for curbing heat-trapping emissions while Congress works to develop a climate bill.

The draft rule unveiled last week would require facilities that release more than 25,000 tons of greenhouse gases a year to demonstrate that they have used the best available pollution controls to curb those emissions ([E&ENews PM](#), Sept. 30).

EPA proposes to "tailor" the Clean Air Act permitting programs to limit the number of facilities that would be required to obtain Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) and Title V operating permits under the programs. The Clean Air Act requires facilities to obtain those construction and operating permits when they emit more than 250 tons of harmful pollutants.

"The PSD rule was not about what we're exempting. It's about what we're capturing and the opportunities," McCarthy told EPA's Clean Air Act Advisory Committee. "I make no apologies for PSD being triggered. It is a good thing."

EPA says the rule will cover nearly 70 percent of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions sources by

regulating large emitters like power plants, refineries and cement production facilities.

Since its release last week, the rule has come under fire from industry groups and many clean air experts, who argue that EPA does not have the legal authority to raise the threshold for greenhouse gas emissions. Many observers fear that courts will overturn the rule, leading to strict regulatory requirements for small sources like hospitals and schools.

McCarthy defended the rule's legal foundations. "We made, we think, a very strong legal argument," she said. "We also made, I think, a very strong common-sense argument on why we would want to have PSD apply to the larger facilities, why it makes the most sense there, why it's not the most appropriate tool for smaller facilities."

Still, she echoed other top Obama administration officials' calls for Congress to pass a comprehensive climate bill.

The best thing, McCarthy said, would be for Congress to pass a comprehensive piece of legislation that allows a flexible cap-and-trade program. But in the meantime, she said, EPA and other stakeholders should continue to look at the best available control technologies for larger facilities and to ensure that greenhouse gas emissions do not continue to increase as facilities are built and modified.

"I can't imagine that it makes sense for EPA to stand still while debates are happening on rules for reducing greenhouse gases," she said.

McCarthy said EPA's rule would be concurrent with the agency's proposed nationwide standard to control greenhouse gas emissions from automobiles, expected to be finalized early next year.

"Its timing will align with the light-duty vehicle rule because -- as you all know -- if the light-duty vehicle rule is finalized in March, then greenhouse gases are a regulated pollutant under the interpretation, the current interpretation of the EPA, which is already out for comment and discussion, as well."

EPA also announced last week that it is reconsidering a George W. Bush administration memorandum detailing when the government should regulate carbon dioxide emissions from industrial facilities, known as the Johnson memo ([Greenwire](#) , Oct. 1).

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FYI on Ringwood stories. Continuing to follow closely

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The following are two articles about the HBO documentary on the Ringwood Mines Superfund site that appeared today in the Bergen Record. There is also a piece in the Star Ledger, but it is not posted online. It focuses mainly on the health problems in the community and the legacy of contamination represented by this site. EPA is not the centerpiece of either article. Neither newspaper contacted us for a comment on the film.

The second story below focuses on the finding of lead contamination on residential properties revealed after testing conducted by the state. The state health department and ATSDR recently conducted two clinics to test blood lead levels in children, which had a small turnout despite very active community outreach by EPA and the other agencies. We continue to encourage community members to have their children tested, and are taking over the sampling and cleanup of the residential properties.

Finally, Bob Spiegel of Edison Wetlands (the NGO that supports the Community Advisory Group - CAG - for the site), who appears in the film, and the filmmakers are encouraging people to attend our next CAG meeting on August 2.

We have not gotten any additional calls from the media on the film or the cleanup.

Ramapoughs' battle with Ford detailed in HBO documentary

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First, you hear the sound of birds singing, and over the next 104 minutes, you see many images of nature in full glory.

But the story "Mann v. Ford" goes on to tell is jarringly ugly.

The HBO documentary takes its name from a class-action lawsuit that Wayne Mann and some 600 other members of the Ramapoughs in Upper Ringwood brought against Ford

Motor Co. in 2006 for its dumping of toxic waste from its Mahwah plant around their homes between 1967 and 1971.

Directed and produced by Maro Chermayeff and Micah Fink and produced by Jamie Redford – whose dad, Robert Redford, brought star power to the Manhattan screening last week – "Mann v. Ford" chronicles the minority community's serious health issues and endless struggles to have the government and Ford clean up their land.

The Record brought this tale to light in its award-winning 2005 series "Toxic Legacy," and two members of the investigative team – reporter Barbara Williams and former reporter Jan Barry – are key commentators in the film.

The Ramapoughs have lived in these hills and forests for more than 200 years. In recent decades, they've suffered from mysterious rashes, nosebleeds, asthma, kidney stones and high rates of diabetes, miscarriage and deadly cancers. In one powerful sequence, community leader Vivian Milligan takes attorney Vicki Gilliam on a walking tour, pointing out house after house that has been touched by cancer.

A generation ago, people here lived into their 80s or 90s, they say, but there are no old folks anymore in Upper Ringwood. It's chilling to hear 60-year-old Mike Stefancik say, "It's too late for us. ... I'll be in the ground soon."

Some Ramapoughs talk about how as kids they'd play amid the color-flecked, lava-like paint sludge. They'd slide down hills of it, and use it to make "mud" pies, which some even consumed. "The dirt used to taste weird, so we'd eat it sometimes," says Mann, the lead plaintiff.

Their memories are bolstered by evocative 8 mm home movies shot by Milligan's dad.

Ford, which declined to be interviewed for the film, opened its massive Mahwah assembly plant in 1955. Besides cars, it produced 6,000 gallons of paint sludge a day. And in 1967, the company began dumping that sludge and other industrial waste – which the plaintiffs' attorneys say included PCBs, Freon, heavy metals, lead and arsenic – on land it then owned in Upper Ringwood.

In the mid-1980s, the Ramapoughs' ancestral homeland was placed on the Environmental Protection Agency's list of federally funded Superfund sites - and supposedly cleaned up by Ford.

But we see Bob Spiegel, an environmental activist with Edison Wetlands Association, leading a press contingent onto a supposedly sludge-free site. Lifting a corroded sludge-filled barrel left by Ford, he says, "I think even Stevie Wonder could find this." He also picks up what looks like a big rock but is actually coagulated sludge. When he breaks it open, you can see flashes of candy apple red paint.

In September 2006, after The Record's series ran, the EPA took the unprecedented step of returning the area to the Superfund list. The cleanup continues, with potentially tons of

waste still remaining in the woods and abandoned iron mines.

"Mann v. Ford" is a good film, but at 1 hour, 44 minutes, it feels long. The documentary fails to fully make clear why the Ramapoughs continued to live in the area after realizing it was endangering their lives. Given their connection to this land, they say in the film, leaving it was unthinkable.

In September 2009, Ford, which has denied all responsibility for the illnesses, made an offer to settle and the Ramapoughs accepted. (Kevin Madonna, one of the plaintiffs' attorneys, explains in the film the scientific, legal and economic challenges that made the suit's outcome iffy.) Ford ponied up \$11 million and Ringwood (this writer's town, by the way) added \$1.5 million. That \$12.5 million was split by more than 600 people, netting residents anywhere from \$4,000 to just below \$35,000 – small compensation for so much heartache.

As the cleanup proceeds, again, one wonders if this story will ever have an ending – much less a happy one.

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Upper Ringwood residents should be tested for lead poisoning , environmentalist says

Sunday, July 17, 2011

BY MARY JO LAYTON

STAFF WRITER

The Record

Toxic Legacy: Ford and the Ramapoughs

Interactive maps and ongoing coverage of toxic sites in North Jersey

Adults in Upper Ringwood should be tested for lead poisoning and all properties in the community should be analyzed for the metal after 10 homes were found to have elevated lead readings, an environmentalist and community representative said Sunday.

STEVE HOCKSTEIN/SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

From left, EPA officials Joe Gowers, Bruce Means and John LaPadula conduct a site inspection at the Ringwood Mine site on Peter's Mine Road last week. The neighborhood is part of the 500-acre Superfund site where the Ford Motor Co. dumped paint sludge and other waste from its now-shuttered Mahwah manufacturing plant more than 40 years ago.

The Community Advisory Group, a panel of local residents and officials formed to monitor the cleanup, recently passed a resolution requesting state health officials to offer testing of adults in the community, said Robert Spiegel, a member of the group and executive director of Edison Wetlands Association.

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HBO's documentary on the community's fight against Ford, "Mann v. Ford," debuts at 9 p.m. Monday, July 18.

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"We want testing of everybody up there," Spiegel said. "We want to see that done immediately."

Pat Seppi, of the federal Environmental Protection Agency, said officials were awaiting comment from the state health department on the request to offer testing to adults.

Seven children were tested last month after state health officials recommended that all children in the neighborhood be evaluated following the discovery of elevated lead levels in soil, Seppi said. Those results are expected this week, according to state health officials.

Spiegel said the group also wants the testing of soil at any of the remaining homes in the community that haven't been tested.

Ten of 19 properties tested exceeded safety standards. In one case, a reading was 22,000 parts per million – more than 50 times the standard of 400 parts per million, according to the state Department of Environmental Protection.

"Only a small percentage of homes were tested and as of now, there are no cleanup plans," Spiegel said. "There's probably no more important thing than to clean up the residential properties and make them safe," he said.

Seppi, the EPA's community involvement coordinator, said the agency will take over residential property sampling from the state.

"We have our EPA folks putting together their work plan do so," Seppi said. "Our intention is to go back to the properties that DEP originally sampled and come up with a plan."

Additional properties would also be tested if residents approve, she said.

Many homeowners had declined testing of their property at the advice of their lawyers, Spiegel said. More than 600 former and current residents filed a multi-million dollar lawsuit against Ford and other polluters, a case heralded as one of the largest civil environmental litigations ever in New Jersey. It settled for \$12.5 million in 2009.

Now that the litigation is complete, more homeowners may comply with testing, Spiegel said.

The lead issue is likely to be discussed at the group's Aug. 2 meeting scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at Ringwood Borough Hall, Seppi said. Officials from the EPA and the state DEP are expected to answer questions about the status of the cleanup and plans to do more testing, Spiegel said.

Lead exposure has been a concern in the community for years – it was found at six times the safety standard in soil at the former O'Connor landfill and is moving into the food chain, the EPA announced last year.

Paint sludge with high levels of arsenic, lead, benzene and other contaminants ended up in Ringwood along with other waste from the factory. The 500-acre area remains the only Superfund site in the nation to be re-listed because of several failed cleanups.

The sludge – in chunks and chips – remains despite repeated cleanups.

Last week, EPA Project manager Joseph Gowers and other federal officials toured the site, which is still undergoing review for remediation at three major dumping areas: the 5-acre Peters Mine pit, considered one of the most polluted at the site; the 15-acre O'Connor Disposal Area; and the 5-acre Cannon Mine area.

The community's battle against Ford and its push for a thorough cleanup are detailed in the HBO documentary "Mann v. Ford" which airs starting tonight at 9 p.m. The film is directed and produced by Maro Chermayeff and Micah Fink and also produced by Jamie Redford, the son of Robert Redford.

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> Facts over Fears
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> When a fire erupted at a chemical plant in Texas this week, emergency
> responders included the local fire department, city and state officials,
> and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The EPA was on the scene
> to monitor air quality around the burning plant and make certain that
> the nearby area -- which included an elementary school -- was safe from
> toxic pollution. By the afternoon of the blaze, EPA monitors had
> detected no public health threat, but remained on duty to ensure the
> safety of the community.
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> This is what the EPA does. Whether we are taking part in an emergency
> response like a chemical fire, or developing long-term efforts to remove
> mercury -- a neurotoxin that can cause serious health problems in
> children -- from our air, our mission is to protect the health of
> American families from pollution in our environment. Lately, however,
> that mission has faced some serious challenges.
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> Much of that has come in the form of misleading information. One example
> is an assertion that the EPA is putting forward a ³train wreck² of
> regulations that will hobble the American economy. That claim has been
> repeated in major newspapers and on the floor of Congress. But it is
> founded on a report detailing regulations EPA never proposed.
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> False claims like these have real consequences. In recent months, the
> U.S. House of Representatives has voted to roll back Clean Air Act
> protections that would save lives, prevent asthma attacks, foster
> innovation and new jobs, and safeguard children from harmful pollution.
> We now face the question of whether to put in place standards that
> prevent power plants from sending mercury and other toxics into the air
> we breathe, or whether we leave ourselves unprotected. We have to
> determine if we will allow aging coal plants to emit sulfur dioxide and
> nitrogen dioxide into our skies, or whether every facility in America
> should meet at least the most basic standards for modern pollution
> control.
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> Rather than taking up the president's job proposals or offering
> alternatives of their own, some members of Congress are spending their
> time trying to weaken protections for the air we breathe. Even
> successful initiatives like the clean cars program are under threat.
> That effort will save drivers money, make American vehicles more
> efficient than ever, and keep millions of tons of pollution out of the
> air we breathe. It was crafted by auto companies, auto workers, federal
> and state officials, and environmentalists, who ended years of divisive
> debate and came together to find a workable solution. Last year, General

> Motors and Chrysler announced plans to hire 1,000 new workers -- each --
> to develop fuel-efficient vehicles. Despite the win-win outcome for our
> economy and our environment, the program has been questioned in
> Congress.
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> No American wants dirtier air and more pollution in their water. No one
> is calling for more childhood asthma, especially when 1 in 10
> school-aged American children already fight the disease. No one believes
> we should go back to the way it was before the EPA existed, when rivers
> were coated with industrial sludge and fouled with untreated sewage.
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> The challenges we face as a nation deserve a fact-based discussion, not
> scare tactics. We shouldn't let a lot of hot air in Washington lead to
> dirty air in your hometown. Yet that is the direction we are heading if
> we don't recognize that health and environmental protection are bigger
> than politics.
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Clean Air Act Turns 40

By [JOHN M. BRODER](#)

The federal Clean Air Act, one of the most consequential pieces of environmental and health legislation in American history, celebrated its 40th birthday on Tuesday. The law, which has been attacked by business interests since its birth as overly costly and prescriptive, is under siege again as the Environmental Protection Agency begins to invoke the law to rein in the gases that contribute to global warming.

Lisa P. Jackson, the E.P.A. administrator, delivered an impassioned defense of the law Tuesday morning at a daylong symposium on the Clean Air Act in Washington. She said that lobbyists had falsely claimed for years that the measure and the agency's application of it would shutter factories, kill jobs and cost billions for compliance. But each of these doomsday predictions was proved wrong, she said, asserting that the bill saves tens of thousands of lives each year and returns \$40 in health and environmental benefits for every dollar in compliance cost.

"Say what you want about E.P.A.'s business sense," she told an audience of agency officials, environmental advocates and business lobbyists, "but we certainly know how to get a return on our investment."

She said the law had not only improved health and cleaned up the nation's skies, "it has been remarkably effective at proving lobbyists wrong."

But even as Ms. Jackson promised to apply the law modestly and transparently to the regulation of climate-altering gases, momentum is building in Congress to deny her the authority to do so. There are bipartisan proposals in both the House and Senate to impose a two-year moratorium on the E.P.A.'s ability to regulate carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases. The Senate may vote on one of them as early as this week as part the 2011 budget bill for the E.P.A. and the Interior Department.

Even if such efforts succeed in the Senate, they are unlikely to come to a vote in the House, where they are opposed by the Democratic leadership. And White House officials have said the President Obama will veto any attempt to tie the hands of the E.P.A.

Industry groups have already filed suit to block the agency from using the law to regulate carbon dioxide, and several states are also challenging the action.

Ms. Jackson said that the agency would use common sense, sound science and rigorous cost-benefit analysis as it tries to reduce the volume of greenhouse gases pouring into the atmosphere. The agency will allow companies maximum flexibility in meeting the new mandates and will seek extensive public and business input as it moves forward.

“We will proceed carefully,” she said. But she insisted: “We are not going to fall victim to another round of trumped-up doomsday predictions. We are a stronger, healthier and more prosperous nation because of the Clean Air Act.”

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EPA: Enviro regs won't affect grid

By: [Robin Bravender](#)

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The Obama administration is pushing back against projections that the reliability of the domestic power supply is threatened by a series of environmental rules.

A [report issued Tuesday](#) by the North American Electric Reliability Corp. found that that up to 75 gigawatts — about 7 percent of the national power capacity — could be forced offline by 2015 as companies either shutter plants or install new energy-consuming pollution controls.

The Environmental Protection Agency and the chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on Tuesday said the possibility that the reliability of the U.S. grid could be weakened by EPA rules targeting power plants emissions of mercury, coal ash, soot and smog is the worst-case scenario.

FERC Chairman Jon Wellinghoff told POLITICO that the Obama administration can mitigate the potential loss of power generation.

“We understand that there are certain problems that could occur if these regulations do in fact cause the closing of a number of coal plants,” Wellinghoff said, “but it doesn’t mean that they can’t be dealt with.”

Republicans are working hard to demonize EPA regulations during the runup to the midterm elections and a GOP-led Congress could work to overcome many of the agency's rules.

The administration is working to ensure that the EPA rules have no effect whatsoever on domestic power supply, Wellinghoff said, including boosting supply side resources like wind and natural gas, in addition to finding ways to operate the grid more efficiently to reduce congestion. "The sky isn't falling," he added.

Meanwhile, EPA is questioning the report's projections, which are based in part on rules that haven't yet been issued.

"By NERC's own admission, its projections about electricity supply impacts rest on its own fortune-telling about future regulations that have not even been proposed yet," said agency spokesman Brendan Gilfillan. "In reality, EPA has some discretion and will be more sensitive to reliability than NERC gives us credit for."

But industry attorney Joe Stanko warned that the report drastically underestimates the impact on the power supply.

"It's great that NERC looked at reliability, but the impact is really much greater than the report claims because of one-size-fits-all assumptions on cost," Stanko said.

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Top EPA water official to quit

By: [Patrick Reis](#)

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The Environmental Protection Agency's top water official is resigning.

Pete Silva, the agency's assistant administrator for water, will leave his post in February to return to California with his family, EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson announced today in a staff email obtained by POLITICO.

The announcement comes a day after one Silva's biggest policy decisions. Thursday, EPA revoked a permit for one of the largest mountaintop removal coal mines ever proposed in Appalachia, revising a 2007 decision by the George W. Bush administration and marking the first time the agency had revoked a mine's Clean Water Act permit after it had been finalized.

Silva is also leaving in the middle of a major revision of the agency's water policy. EPA is currently developing an internal guidance on which types of waterways are subject to federal permitting requirements, a move that follows a pair of Supreme Court decisions in recent years that ruled the agency had overstepped its bounds. The revision is currently under White House review, and a draft is expected to be released no sooner than March.

"During his tenure, Pete has led a wide range of important actions to help protect the

water we drink and safeguard the health of millions of Americans,” Jackson wrote. “We have greatly valued his service, and we offer him our deepest thanks as he prepares to embrace new opportunities.”

Silva’s successor is yet-to-be-named and will require Senate confirmation.

Nancy Stoner – EPA’s deputy assistant administrator for the Office of Water – will assume his duties until the post is officially filled.

In the e-mail, Jackson also announced two new additions to the agency. Joel Beauvais, a former staff member for Rep. Ed Markey (D-Mass.) on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, will join EPA as a senior advisor in the agency’s general counsel’s office.

And Bicky Corman, an attorney who last worked at the District of Columbia’s Department of the Environment and is a former staffer for Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D-N.J.), will take the reins as the deputy associate administrator for the Office of Policy.

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[Jim Messina Offers Glimpse Into White House Improvisation](#)

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White House Deputy Chief of Staff Jim Messina made a rare public appearance on Wednesday, addressing throngs of progressive students at the Campus Progress National Conference. And while he stuck mostly to platitudes -- telling the audience that if they worked hard, they too could be the next Jim Messina! -- he did raise the curtain a bit to reveal some of the disorder that surrounds daily White House operations.

Reflecting on an early administration pseudo-scandal, in which an Air Force One photo-op triggered a panic in downtown Manhattan, Messina recalled the haphazard process by which he somehow became the point man for internal investigations.

"I had gone out for lunch," he said, "which I don't normally do. And when I got back, I was watching Robert Gibbs do [the daily briefing]."

"He said 'The president has appointed White House Deputy Chief of Staff Jim Messina to investigate the matter. I was like, 'Excuse me?'"

Messina, subsequently, was called into a high-staff meeting to be told exactly what that role entailed. In the end, the AF1 flyover was an incident that will be remembered (if remembered at all) as a minor blip in the Obama presidency. Far more time-consuming crises have engulfed the administration since then though those stories were left out of Messina's question and answer session.

But the Deputy Chief of Staff did hint at the stresses the job entails, which, in some respects, represents a deviation for a White House that prides itself on remaining calm, collected and organized. Messina, who prior to his current post, served as Sen. Max Baucus's Chief of Staff, urged the audience to understand that it was "hard work" passing health care reform and climate change legislation. As for gay rights (a hearty cause for the attendees), he stressed that the president has made "more significant progress on these issues than any administration in the history of the country."

"The challenges that this president has had are just monumental," he concluded. "When you work on the Hill, you don't have that."

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Washington Post

A senator in a hostile climate

By Dana Milbank

Wednesday, October 28, 2009

It must be very lonely being the last flat-earthier.

Sen. Jim Inhofe of Oklahoma, committed climate-change denier, found himself in just such a position Tuesday morning as the Senate environment committee, on which he is the ranking Republican, took up legislation on global warming. Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.) was in talks with Democrats over a compromise bill -- the traitor! And as Inhofe listened, fellow Republicans on the committee -- turncoats! -- made it clear that they no longer share, if they ever did, Inhofe's view that man-made global warming is the "greatest hoax ever perpetrated on the American people."

"Eleven academies in industrialized countries say that climate change is real; humans have caused most of the recent warming," admitted Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.). "If fire chiefs of the same reputation told me my house was about to burn down, I'd buy some fire insurance."

An oil-state senator, David Vitter (R-La), said that he, too, wants to "get us beyond high-carbon fuels" and "focus on conservation, nuclear, natural gas and new technologies like electric cars." And an industrial-state senator, George Voinovich (R-Ohio), acknowledged that climate change "is a serious and complex issue that deserves our full attention."

Then there was poor Inhofe. "The science is more definitive than ever? You keep saying that because you want to believe it so much," he said bitterly. He offered to furnish a list of scientists who once believed in climate change but "who are solidly on the other side right now." The science, he said, "already has shifted" against global-warming theory. "Science is not settled! Everyone knows it's not settled!"

Inhofe called for more oil drilling. His aides tried to debunk the other senators' points by passing

around papers titled "Rapid Response." Mid-hearing, Inhofe's former spokesman, now in the private sector, sent out an e-mail -- "Prominent Russian Scientist: 'We should fear a deep temperature drop -- not catastrophic global warming.'"

The climate of the hearing itself seemed designed to burn Inhofe. Chairman Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.), sponsor of the climate bill, insisted on having it in a too-small hearing room, causing the place to overheat from all the bodies. Though none of the committee Republicans are supporting her cap-and-trade plan for carbon emissions so far, Boxer made it clear that her primary grievance is with one Republican. "Since John Warner retired, I don't have a Republican partner on the committee, but I am appreciative for the productive conversations I've had with Senator Alexander, about nuclear energy, and for the wide-ranging conversations and meetings I had with Senator Voinovich," Boxer said, pointedly omitting Inhofe.

Inhofe began by expressing surprise that Boxer would even use the term "global warming," asserting that "people have been running from that term ever since we went out of that natural warming cycle about nine years ago." And he turned with a fury on Graham, his fellow Republican, for an "apparent compromise will also entail a massive expansion of government bureaucracy."

Sen. John Kerry (D-Mass.), the first witness, turned up the temperature further on Inhofe. He gave a Gore-like tour of climate catastrophe: "the science is screaming at us to take action . . . pine beetles have destroyed 6.5 million acres of forestland . . . 180 Alaskan villages are losing permafrost . . . we have columns of methane rising now in the ocean."

Kerry went on like this for an extraordinary 26 1/2 minutes that included the phrase, uttered with no apparent self-consciousness, "we invented wind." At various points, Kerry signaled an end with "I'll just close" or "I'll just end on this note" but continued on. This infuriated nobody as much as Inhofe, whom Kerry repeatedly singled out for a lecture. "Senator Inhofe, you just talked about the costs of doing some of this," he said. But "the cost of doing nothing," Kerry countered, "is far more expensive for your folks in Oklahoma."

Inhofe, who glared back at Kerry, still seethed a few minutes later when he interrupted the chairman. "You know, I sat here for 25 minutes listening to Senator Kerry talk about me, and I didn't have a chance to respond," he complained. "I will, however."

"I so appreciate it," Boxer said.

Inhofe molested the majority by having committee staffers put up on the dais a series of 3-by-5-foot posters with messages such as "Congressional Budget Chief Says Climate Bill Would Cost Jobs" and "U.S. Unemployment High/Why Kill More Jobs With Cap & Trade?" But this failed to cool Inhofe's temper, and by the time his turn came to question the administration witnesses, Inhofe was so steamed that he used his entire five minutes to vent.

He described the Democrats' proposal as "the largest tax increase in -- in history!" Agitated, his utterances disjointed, Inhofe went on: "Now, I also was -- was kind of -- I don't want any of the media to think just because I had to sit here and listen to our good friend Senator Kerry for 28

minutes, that I don't have responses to everything he said."

Nobody doubted that Inhofe had a response. The doubt was whether the response would make any sense.

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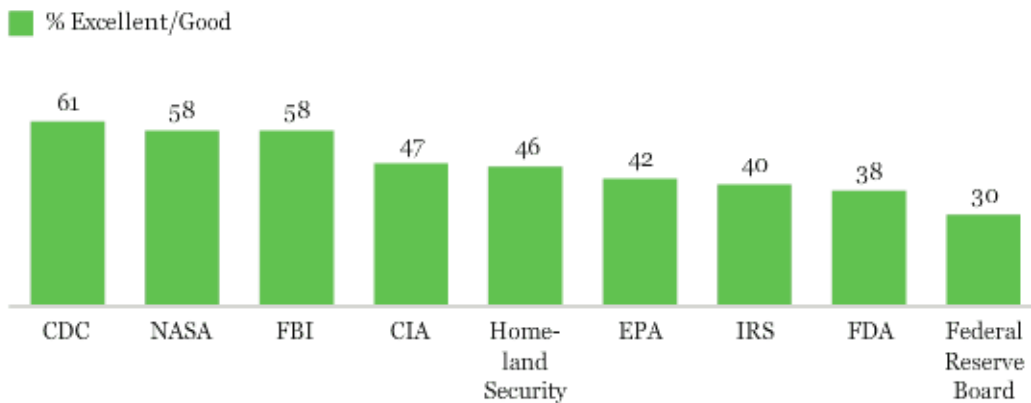
CDC Tops Agency Ratings; Federal Reserve Board Lowest

NASA ratings remain high, while Federal Reserve has lost ground

by Lydia Saad
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PRINCETON, NJ -- At a time when Americans are discouraged about [the direction of the country](#) and hesitant about the scope of President Barack Obama's [federal budget plans](#), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, NASA, and the FBI earn credit for a job well done from a majority of Americans. The 61% who say the CDC is doing an excellent or good job can be contrasted with the 30% who say this of the Federal Reserve Board, making the latter the worst reviewed of nine agencies and departments rated in the July 10-12 Gallup Poll.

How would you rate the job being done by [agency/department]? Would you say it is doing an excellent, good, only fair, or poor job?



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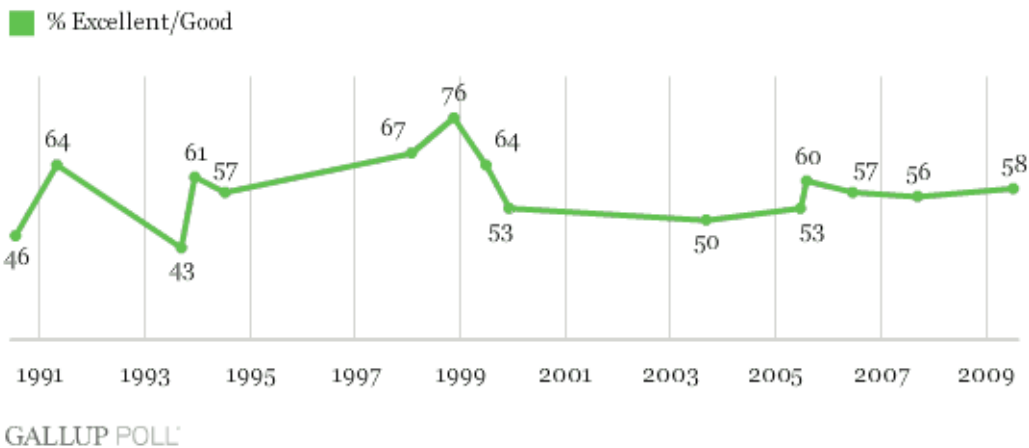
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The two national security-oriented groups included in the recent poll -- the CIA and the Department of Homeland Security -- receive moderate performance ratings, with just under half of Americans saying each is doing an excellent or good job.

The Environmental Protection Agency, Internal Revenue Service, and Food and Drug Administration fall a notch lower in the rankings, as close to 40% of Americans give each of them credit for doing an excellent or good job. The relatively low ranking of the FDA is of particular note with regard to the scrutiny the agency has been under, given recent attention to U.S. food safety.

The new poll, conducted just prior to the 40th anniversary of the July 20, 1969, moon landing by Apollo 11 -- perhaps the most celebrated of all NASA achievements -- finds NASA's rating about where it has been in recent years. While not nearly as high as it was in late 1998 (a month after John Glenn's successful return to space), NASA's current excellent/good score falls within the upper half of ratings it has received over the past two decades.

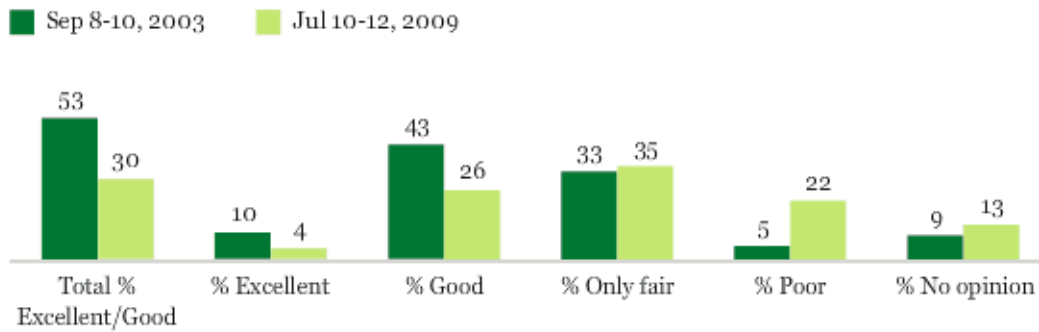
Job Ratings for NASA, the U.S. Space Agency



Today's rating of the FDA is the first measured by Gallup, but all other agencies on the list were previously rated in September 2003 (NASA, as shown, has been rated multiple times). The only significant changes since that time are a sharp deterioration in perceptions about the Federal Reserve, and a decline in highly positive views toward the CDC.

In 2003, the slight majority of Americans, 53%, said the Federal Reserve was doing an excellent or good job and 5% called it poor. Today, 30% of Americans praise the job the Fed is doing, while nearly as many, 22%, call it poor. While this ratings downturn coincides with a substantial drop in consumer confidence toward the U.S. economy over the same period, it is unclear how much of the Fed's image decline is due to the general decline in the country's economic climate, as opposed to specific perceptions about the agency's performance in carrying out its monetary responsibilities and possibly its role in the crisis surrounding U.S. financial markets. The Fed's low excellent/good rating may also reflect the higher-than-average percentage of Americans having "no opinion" about this arm of the government, relative to the other agencies rated.

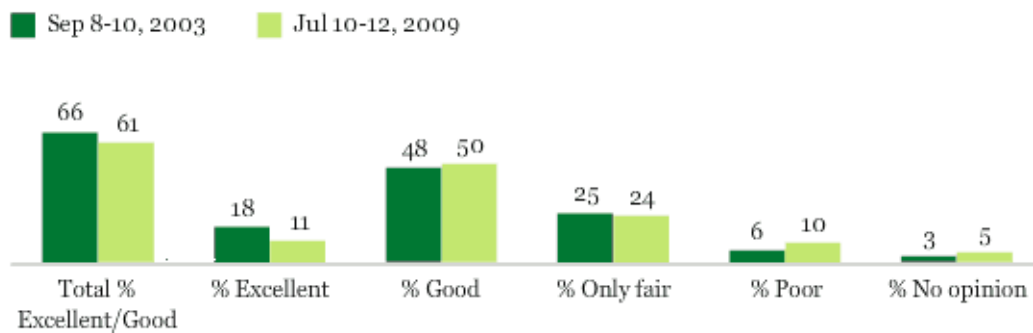
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The CDC has had a particularly high public profile since April, when cases of the H1N1 virus, also known as swine flu, were first detected in the United States. Whether its role in tracking the disease and informing Americans about the illness has elevated or hurt the agency's image is not clear. However, compared with six years ago, fewer Americans believe the agency is doing an "excellent" job -- now 11%, down from 18%. Overall, the percentage saying it is doing an excellent or good job is now 61%, down from 66%.

Job Ratings for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or the CDC



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Bottom Line

Americans are broadly satisfied with the work the CDC, NASA, and the FBI are doing. The CIA and the Department of Homeland Security are also fairly well reviewed; however, the current job ratings of the EPA, IRS, FDA, and Federal Reserve Board all have significant room for improvement.

Survey Methods

Results are based on telephone interviews with 1,018 national adults, aged 18 and older, conducted July 10-12, 2009. For results based on the total sample of national adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the maximum margin of sampling error is ±3 percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on land-line telephones (for respondents with a land-line telephone) and cellular phones (for respondents who are cell-phone only).

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

10. How would you rate the job being done by -- [agency/department]? Would you say it is doing an excellent, good, only fair, or poor job?

Ranked by % excellent/good

	Excellent/ Good	Only fair	Poor	No opinion
	%	%	%	
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or the CDC	61	24	10	5
NASA , the U.S. space agency	58	26	7	10
The Federal Bureau of Investigation, or the FBI	58	27	7	8
The Central Intelligence Agency, or the CIA	47	29	13	12
The Department of Homeland Security	46	31	18	4
The Environmental Protection Agency, or EPA	42	33	21	4
The Internal Revenue Service, or the IRS	40	36	20	5
The Food and Drug Administration, or FDA	38	37	22	3
The Federal Reserve Board	30	35	22	13

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Federal Agency/Department Ratings -- Full Results With Trends

	Excellent	Good	Only fair	Poor	No opinion
	%	%	%	%	%
A. NASA, the U.S. space agency					
2009 Jul 10-12	13	45	26	7	10
2007 Sep 14-16	16	40	29	8	6
2006 Jun 23-25	17	40	30	7	6
2005 Aug 5-7	16	44	29	8	3
2005 Jun 24-26	11	42	34	6	7
2003 Sep 8-10	12	38	36	10	4
1999 Dec 9-12	13	40	31	12	4
1999 Jul 13-4	20	44	20	5	11
1998 Nov 20-22	26	50	17	4	3
1998 Jan 30-Feb 1	21	46	21	4	8
1994 Jul 15-17	14	43	29	6	8
1993 Dec 17-19	18	43	30	7	2
1993 Sept 13-15	7	36	35	11	11
1991 May 2-5	16	48	24	6	6
1990 July 19-22	10	36	34	15	5
B. The Department of Homeland Security					
2009 Jul 10-12	8	38	31	18	4
2003 Sep 8-10	10	38	33	15	4
C. The Federal Reserve Board					
2009 Jul 10-12	4	26	35	22	13
2003 Sep 8-10	10	43	33	5	9
D. The Federal Bureau of Investigation, or the FBI					
2009 Jul 10-12	10	48	27	7	8
2003 Sep 8-10	10	43	31	12	4
E. The Central Intelligence Agency, or the CIA					
2009 Jul 10-12	10	37	29	13	12
2003 Sep 8-10	9	36	35	13	7
F. The Internal Revenue Service, or the IRS					
2009 Jul 10-12	5	35	36	20	5
2003 Sep 8-10	6	38	38	15	3

G. The Environmental Protection Agency, or EPA					
2009 Jul 10-12	5	37	33	21	4
2003 Sep 8-10	6	33	38	20	3
H. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or the CDC					
2009 Jul 10-12	11	50	24	10	5
2003 Sep 8-10	18	48	25	6	3
I. The Food and Drug Administration, or FDA					
2009 Jul 10-12	5	33	37	22	3

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EPA at 40 -- still under siege

OUR OPINION: cf,gtm Agency must tackle climate change, water issues

For 40 years the Environmental Protection Agency has been the regulatory scourge of U.S. polluters of air, land and water. Created on Dec. 2, 1970, with an executive order by President Richard Nixon, the EPA's primary mandate is to enforce clean air and water laws.

These landmark laws needed a tough sheriff. The EPA by and large has been up to the challenge. Inevitably, it has had -- and still does have -- stiff opposition.

For instance, some members of Florida's congressional delegation this year opposed the agency's proposed nutrient standards for the state's rivers, lakes and streams. The lawmakers, and business and agricultural groups, say the proposed standards for acceptable phosphorus and nitrogen in water will cost billions and aren't based on sound science. The EPA agreed to delay finalizing the criteria until August 2011 and submit them to more scientific scrutiny. But on Tuesday, Attorney General Bill McCollum and his successor, Pam Bondi, filed a lawsuit challenging the EPA proposals anyway.

The South Florida Water Management District Board also sharply criticized the EPA last month

for its court-ordered plan to stem pollution in the Everglades. The board decried it as infringing on state rights to set water-quality laws, having an unrealistic time line for massive construction projects and saddling South Florida taxpayers with the \$1.5 billion-plus cost.

On top of that, Judge Alan Gold, who told the agency to write the plan after a successful lawsuit by the Miccosukee Indian tribe, ordered EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson to come to a Miami court in October to explain the agency's slow pace of enforcing Glades cleanup. An appellate court overturned Judge Gold's order.

Clearly, when it comes to Florida water-quality issues, the EPA must work with state officials to find solutions both sides agree are practical and that will be effective.

The EPA is also involved in a much bigger controversy about climate change. In 2007, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the EPA violated the Clean Air Act by wrongly declining to regulate new-vehicle emissions to control the pollutants that cause global warming. The court told the Bush administration to reverse course and start controlling these emissions. Yet the agency still dragged its feet.

But, under President Obama, once it became clear that Congress wasn't going to act soon on climate-change legislation, the EPA took steps to regulate greenhouse gases. Still, even as the EPA celebrated its 40th birthday last week, incoming House Speaker John Boehner abolished the House's climate-change panel. And the new GOP House leadership wants to limit EPA's emissions regulation by cutting funding.

That would be such folly. Climate change is real, and Florida's coastline will see its bad effects for real in the next 50 years. The EPA is the right agency to deal with reducing greenhouse gas emissions to slow climate change. Congress should be supporting the EPA at this crucial time, not threatening to tie its hands.

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Mr. Babbitt's Protest

Former Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt declared in a speech last week that President Obama's failure to mount a persuasive counterattack to the Republicans' "radical" assault on the country's environmental safeguards amounts to a "form of appeasement."

It is rare for someone of Mr. Babbitt's stature to use such caustic language about a sitting president from his own party. But he was reflecting growing concern — which we share — that the president and his top aides have decided for political reasons to back away from the fight. In recent months the White House has been far too quiet on the problem of climate change, and its once-promising efforts to regulate industrial pollution, toxic coal ash and mountaintop mining are flagging.

Mr. Babbitt's main complaint involved Mr. Obama's failure to do more to conserve open space and protect sensitive areas threatened by imminent development. He was particularly dismayed by the White House's acceptance of a Republican budget rider — pushed by the oil and gas industry — undercutting the Interior Department's authority to identify and set aside valuable public lands for future designation as permanent wilderness.

Mr. Babbitt said Mr. Obama still represented "the best, and likely only, hope for meaningful progress" on energy and the environment, and we must hope, as he does, that the president's temporizing is merely temporary. Even bigger fights lie ahead. The administration has proposed to limit power plant emissions of toxic pollutants like mercury and impose new rules governing power plant emissions of greenhouse gases. Any retreat from these pledges would be disastrous.

Mr. Babbitt also said President Obama should emulate President Bill Clinton, Mr. Babbitt's old boss, who faced similar opposition after the 1994 Republican revolution but came roaring back. After wavering for a while, he seized the lead on conservation issues and threatened to veto all anti-environmental legislation. The public supported him; the Republicans retreated. It is sound advice.

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's no coincidence that one day after the White House announced new emissions targets, China followed suit with its own target. The Daily Beast's Richard Wolffe on the behind-the-scenes negotiations during Obama's Asia trip that could help break the climate stalemate in Copenhagen.

After the Olympic-sized disappointment of his last trip to Copenhagen, why on earth would President Obama want to travel once again to the Danish capital for next month's UN climate talks?

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Power Company Contradicts Itself on EPA Rules
National Journal

By Amy Harder

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American Electric Power, one of the nation's biggest coal utilities, downplayed the impact of EPA regulations to its investors while forecasting a doom-and-gloom outcome for Washington policymakers.

AEP has come under scrutiny after announcing on June 9 that it would have to close five of its coal-fired power plants and post a net loss of 600 jobs because of Clean Air Act regulations.

Other utilities employ this strategy, too. Investors have different concerns than average Americans and lawmakers, after all. But the seemingly contradictory comments are drawing renewed scrutiny as EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson works to finalize a slew of controversial standards for major polluters that could potentially change the economy. EPA plans to regulate everything from mercury to greenhouse gases. Republicans have attacked those regulations and introduced legislation to curb the agency's power.

"Because of the unrealistic compliance timelines in the EPA proposals, we will have to prematurely shut down nearly 25 percent of our current coal-fueled generating capacity, cut hundreds of good power-plant jobs, and invest billions of dollars in capital to retire, retrofit, and replace coal-fueled power plants," AEP chairman and CEO Mike Morris said in a statement last week. "The sudden increase in electricity rates

and impacts on state economies will be significant at a time when people and states are still struggling.”

A week earlier, Morris had sought to allay investors' concerns about the plant closures and their effect on AEP's bottom line at a June 1 investors conference.

“On balance, we think that is the appropriate way to go,” Morris said of the closures. “Not only to treat our customers, but also to treat our shareholders, near and long term, with that small amount of the fleet going off-line.”

Most of what AEP said it will have to shutter is spare capacity, used when it's very hot or cold. (The plants were used, for example, during last week's Midwestern heat spell.) That fact was not included in the company's release, but Morris made sure to remind investors.

“As you know, those are high-cost plants and dispatch infrequently,” Morris said. He went on to add that most of them didn't run at all in 2009 because natural-gas prices were so low.

AEP spokeswoman Melissa McHenry told National Journal Daily that the plants slated for closure haven't been used much in recent years because of low natural-gas prices, but that having them available for use in times of extreme temperatures seems crucial.

McHenry said costs made closing plants a better alternative than retrofitting them. Consumers would still face surging electricity prices because of the time frame, which AEP and many other coal utilities say is unrealistic. Companies must comply with two of EPA's major set of rules by 2015. AEP wants the compliance time frame extended to 2020.

Southern Co., another major coal utility, also fights EPA's regulations and tries to walk a fine line. CEO Tom Fanning told investors in the first-quarter earnings statement that he remains “confident or optimistic perhaps that we've been able to work through some tough complex issues in the past.” He also said that extending the compliance timeline to 2018 would make him “feel a lot more comfortable about being able to run our portfolio.”

EPA's Jackson was not impressed with the AEP announcement last week. She said after a hearing on Wednesday that it was “misleading at best, scare tactics at worst.”

Southern's Fanning, meanwhile, had positive words to say about the agency's administrator.

“In my constructive conversations with Lisa Jackson, she, I think, recognizes that the EPA—last thing they want us to create [is] reliability crises,” he said in the earnings statement.

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This is the story that includes the comment by the Texas county judge pushing back on the Railroad commissioner.

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Driller denies blame for methane in Parker County homes' water

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Fort Worth-based Range Resources Corp. said in a statement today that its own investigation has shown that its drilling activities were not responsible for methane contamination of two water wells in southwest Parker County, contrary to findings by the federal Environmental Protection Agency.

"Based on our findings to date, it's very clear that our activities have not had any impact on the water aquifer in Parker County or the subject water wells," Range said. "The investigation has revealed that methane in the water aquifer existed long before our activity and likely is naturally occurring migration from several shallow zones immediately below the water aquifer."

Methane is the primary component of natural gas.

"Range's wells are completed in the Barnett Shale formation, which is over a mile below the water zone," the company said in the statement posted on its website, www.rangeresources.com.

The EPA said Tuesday, however, that two Parker County homes have water contaminated by natural gas drilling activities and face the risk of fire and explosion.

The EPA issued an emergency order against Range, telling the drilling company to provide the homes with safe drinking water and take other measures to protect the nine residents after the Texas Railroad Commission, which regulates gas drilling, declined to take immediate action.

"The Railroad Commission has told us our actions are premature, but I believe they are mistaken," EPA Regional Administrator Al Armendariz said. "We are worried about the families' safety. It was incumbent on us to act quickly."

Armendariz said the EPA is "very concerned" that natural gas could migrate into the home through waterlines, leading to a fire or explosion.

Officials declined to identify the homeowners, who live in the southwestern portion of the county.

Range said in its statement today that it "has been working with the Texas Railroad Commission staff, engineers and field inspectors for several months and has conducted extensive testing of both Range-operated gas wells and the water wells of concern."

"We've provided those findings to the landowner, the Railroad Commission and the EPA," the company said.

Despite its own findings, Range said "we remain committed to working with regulators and residents to determine the cause and assist with any remediation the Texas Railroad Commission determines is warranted. Range will also offer to provide drinking water to residents in the area while the investigation continues."

Railroad Commission Chairman Victor G. Carrillo blasted the EPA's actions, saying it is "unprecedented in Texas, and commissioners will consider all options as we move forward."

The commission said in a statement that it has "made no conclusions about possible sources of natural gas and hydrocarbons found in a water well. Additionally, no pathways from a deep hydrocarbon source to the water well have been identified."

Commissioner Michael Williams called the EPA's actions "Washington politics of the worst kind."

"The EPA's act is nothing more than grandstanding in an effort to interject the federal government into Texas business," Williams said. "The Railroad Commission has been on top of this issue from Day One. We will continue to take all necessary action to protect Texas lakes, rivers and aquifers."

"Texans have no interest in Washington doing for Texas what it did for Louisiana fishermen," he said, referring to the BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

The Railroad Commission said Range agreed Friday to conduct further testing of its well and "perform soil gas surveys that may lead to additional environmental investigation activities, monitor gas concentrations, and offer a water supply to the residence."

After the commission's inspection Aug. 6, one homeowner contacted Parker County Judge

Mark Riley, who visited one of the homes. He said the problem quickly became apparent.

"I went out to his home and saw it firsthand, putting a lighter to the end of the water hose and flames coming out, a strong odor in the drinking water and the homeowner having his sliding glass door open to prevent a buildup of fumes inside," Riley said.

"I'm certainly not a scientist, but anybody with common sense would know an issue existed."

Riley said he has had no contact with the second homeowner, whose property was included in the emergency order after the EPA was called in.

Riley's office filed two open-records requests with the Railroad Commission to learn more about the findings, but Riley said the reports provided little information. He would not reveal the identity of the homeowner, who wishes to remain anonymous.

"I'm no fan of having the federal government coming in but, once again, we have state agencies that should be doing their job and instead are letting the federal government come in and do it for them," Riley said.

The EPA filed an imminent and substantial endangerment order under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act.

In that order, Range Resources has 24 hours to indicate in writing whether it will comply with the order and must install EPA-approved "explosivity meters" in the homes within 48 hours.

In the next five days, Range must list and identify all private water wells within 3,000 feet of the drilling site, including the Lake Country Acres subdivision public water supply wells, and test those water wells for contamination.

Within 14 days, Range must submit a plan to conduct soil gas surveys and indoor air concentration analyses of the two contaminated water wells that serve the two homes. In the next two months, the order states, Range must identify any "gas flow pathways to the Trinity Aquifer" and eliminate those flows if possible and conduct remediation if the aquifer has been harmed.

The accounts of hose water igniting are similar to those seen in the documentary *Gasland*, which spotlighted concerns over gas drilling in Pennsylvania's Marcellus Shale, as well as the Barnett Shale and other formations across the country.

In October, Pennsylvania's top environmental regulator threatened to sue Houston-based Cabot Oil & Gas Corp. unless it paid about \$12 million to extend a public waterline to at least 18 residents whose water wells were contaminated with methane, according to The Associated Press.

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The Inside Story

Environmentalists are criticizing comments from EPA air chief Gina McCarthy after she told them that President Obama is not committed to vetoing expected legislation that could override the agency's authority to regulate greenhouse gases (GHG).

The National Wildlife Federation (NWF) alerted reporters to remarks from McCarthy, who spoke via webcast to a Dec. 7 session at this week's international climate negotiations in Cancun. According to NWF, an activist asked McCarthy about the expectation that congressional Republicans and energy-state Democrats would push legislation to delay or overturn EPA's GHG authority, and expressed reservations that Obama would sign such a bill.

"Rather than affirm the President would veto such a bill, she said Congress had a legitimate reason to look at legislation that we say would short circuit EPA action," according to NWF. "With almost no chance for a comprehensive climate bill next year in the U.S., environmental advocates are counting on the President and EPA to stick to their Copenhagen pledge, which by necessity would require a veto of any bill that would delay or constrain the EPA's authority."

Sen. Jay Rockefeller (D-WV) this year introduced a bill to delay for two years EPA's stationary-source GHG regulations, which are slated to take effect in January, although the bill never came to the floor. A Congressional Review Act resolution introduced by Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) to overturn EPA's GHG endangerment finding failed on a procedural vote this summer.

Rockefeller has said he plans to reintroduce his legislation next year, and House Republicans have pledged to introduce legislation to block EPA's GHG regulations. Press reports quoting anonymous administration officials earlier this year indicated that Obama planned to veto such moves, but industry sources and other observers have noted that such plans have never been confirmed publicly, questioning how far Obama would go to defend EPA.

Obama has opened the door to preempting EPA authority to regulate GHGs in exchange for a scaled-back bipartisan agreement that would at least begin to address the problem of climate change by encouraging development of clean energy choices. But not vetoing legislation blocking EPA's current authority or regulations could undermine any leverage the administration has to drive clean energy legislation.

"NWF is pleased that administration officials have affirmed on numerous occasions while in Cancun that the Copenhagen agreement stands," the group says, referring to the nonbinding political accord that came out of last year's negotiations, in which the U.S. pledged to cut its emissions in the range of 17 percent below 2005 levels by 2020. "We hope Ms. McCarthy will clarify the administration's position."

Video of McCarthy's remarks was expected to be posted later in the evening on the Cancun U.S. Center website.

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The progressive community and the Obama administration are once again in a firefight, this one started by White House spokesman Robert Gibbs. There has been and will be a huge amount of commentary on this in the blogosphere and the media in general over the next few days, and Gibbs' quote will go right up there with the infamous "left of the left" quote during health care, Rahm's infamous "f'ing retarded" quote (he apologized afterward to advocates for those with mental disabilities, but of course not to progressives), the locker room gloating "organized labor just flushed \$10 million down the toilet" quote, and a variety of other random insults that progressives have to chew over.

Thankfully, Gibbs has released a statement pulling back from that interview, and I am assured by friends at the White House that this is just "Robert being in a bad mood", etc. Happy to hear it, and I am willing to give the White House the benefit of the doubt (which I know may not be very popular among many folks in progressiveland). I also am happy to give this Administration credit where credit is due, and they do actually deserve some.

Given the economic straits we are in, the stimulus was too small, and had too many tax cuts in it, but it is still the biggest jobs bill in American history, and the biggest investment in public goods (schools, teachers, roads, bridges, clean energy, firefighters, cops, broadband, etc.). The health care bill had big flaws, including the lack of a public option, but Obama succeeded at extending coverage to virtually everyone and reining in major insurance abuses (on pre-existing conditions, lifetime caps, etc.) when every other President before for a hundred years had failed.

The financial reform bill didn't break up the banks, but we won very significant victories in reining in the financial sector, and went the right direction on financial regulation instead of the wrong direction as we did in the last four presidents' tenures. The federal budgets Obama submitted have been the most progressive in many ways, at least since 1993, and maybe since the 1960s. We won a major victory on, and expansion of, the student loan program for college students. Tobacco is regulated by the FDA for the first time. The equal pay law got passed, S-CHIP got expanded, the hate crimes bill got signed, unneeded weapons systems got eliminated. And Obama has at least pushed for other big legislation on climate change, immigration reform, and more jobs programs, even if he didn't succeed at everything.

It hasn't all been perfect -- far from it -- but Obama deserves enormous credit for wading into these big fights, and for persevering on some of the toughest, like health care (where his chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel wanted him to back down and give up.) If I were in the Obama White House, I might be feeling a little irritable myself at the lack of credit I was getting.

Were you waiting for the "but"? Well, here it is.

But here's the thing, folks at the White House: your strategy for getting the credit you think you deserve sucks. It's not working, and bitching about the fact that people don't give you enough credit is not going to get them to give you more.

I may be wrong, I hope I am wrong, but as far as I can tell, the White House right now has very little in the way of strategy for reaching out to the progressive community. Beyond meeting regularly with some of the big DC groups (meetings that have been described to me by a White House ally as pretty much being "one way communication" from the White House to the groups), I know of no consistent high level outreach to the broad progressive community. My guess is that it's because they don't think they need to, that as Gibbs indicated, they don't feel they need the groups or the blogs or progressive media or the "progressive left", in Gibbs' delightful phrase, to reach progressive voters.

Maybe. But it's a pretty huge gamble. The Obama team forgets that once the primary was over in 2008, the folks in the blogosphere and all the progressive groups were pretty united on helping Obama win the election. A pretty sizable share of the 13 million people on the Obama e-mail list were also reading blogs, getting e-mails from MoveOn.org or phone/mail from unions and other groups. Everyone had the same goal of defeating McCain and other right-wing Republicans, and we were all reinforcing (for the most part) what the campaign was doing and saying.

That sense of teamwork is pretty well gone, blown apart not only because of some policy decisions many progressives disagreed with, and not just by the series of insulting comments I spelled out in the first paragraph, but by a serious lack of outreach as well. The result is that Obama gets a steady stream of criticism from Markos, Arianna, Rachel, and many of the rest of us, and when good things happen, they rarely get played up positively as well as they should. I think that is one of the big reasons why online giving has been fairly weak on the Obama list (a person with knowledge of the list told me that the fundraising trend off their email list was "extremely worrisome"), why volunteer recruitment has been down, and why Democratic voter enthusiasm in the polling has been so consistently weak (obviously the bad economy has a lot to do with that as well, but don't discount the bad relationship with progressive media and institutions).

Here's the thing that drives me most crazy, though: the only thing making the Obama White House take the huge gamble of not reaching out to the professional left is their own arrogance. Engaging the "professional left" would be easy to do if they cared about it at all, and had a strategy to do it. In the Clinton White House, that presidency of NAFTA, failed health care, the 1994 election fiasco, and "triangulation", the progressive community- the professional left as well as progressive voters- progressives never deserted Clinton. Through his two elections,

special prosecutors, the Lewinsky mess and impeachment, the Democratic base stayed loyal to and enthusiastic about Bill Clinton (even when he didn't always deserve it). Why? Because Bill Clinton cared about having a good relationship with progressives, and because we had a strategy for working effectively with them. President Clinton frequently asked me about who was happy with us and who was disgruntled in the progressive world, and we made sure to bring in everyone in the latter category for meetings and social events at the White House. At the height of the NAFTA fight, we organized a dinner for labor leaders where the President hung out with them for a long, social evening, telling them in his remarks "I know we are in a fight right now, but I want you to know that my White House will always be your house too, that we always will be friends." We made sure progressives always had chances to have serious input into policy development. Whenever we had bad news to deliver to progressive groups on any issue big or small, we reached out to them before the announcement, talked about how to make the damage hurt less, and talked about what we could do to help them on other issues. And whenever there was good news, we made sure the folks who cared about it were part of the celebration.

Here's the other thing: other Democratic politicians in 2010 get the need to work effectively with progressives. I have had my share of disagreements with Speaker Pelosi and Majority Leader Reid, but they and their staff have never failed to work constructively and conscientiously with me and other progressives I know. This is politics 101 as far as I am concerned, but to my knowledge, this White House isn't engaging in much of it. I am on the board of many different progressives groups, and know a wide assortment of folks in the blogosphere, in organizations, in the progressive donor world, on Capitol Hill, and I rarely hear about any kind of high-level outreach of this sort going on. One other important point on all this: what worries me the most is that I am as insider-y as a person can get. I have known Rahm for 30 years, Axelrod and Plouffe for over 20. I have been a client of Jim Margolis, Anita Dunn, and Axelrod's firms. I was a co-founder of Strategy Group, the Chicago based firm that was one of the closest inner circle firms in the Obama Presidential campaign. I have worked in the White House, and I even worked on the Obama transition. I am one of the professional left (not at all the only one, by the way) who, in spite of my disappointments with some of the compromises made, ended up supporting, enthusiastically working for, and praising Obama on all those initiatives mentioned above. Now I know that some folks in the White House are mad at me and have shut me out because I have been critical at times of this White House, but I still have to think: if the relationship with the "professional left" is as shaky as it is, and someone like me is not being reached out to much or asked to help, what about all those bloggers and progressive media people and organizations who don't have much in the way of inside connections? It worries the hell out of me, and it ought to be worrying the White House.

Gibbs' statement has caused a flurry of damage control, just as all the other statements in paragraph one did. But it's not enough: this White House has to do a better job of working constructively, every single day, with progressives. The White House should be in genuine partnership with the progressive community. That doesn't mean agreeing on every issue, and it doesn't mean avoiding some frank conversations behind the scenes where voices get raised back and forth. But progressives, including the "professional left" would be a lot more loyal and enthusiastic, a lot more willing to give credit where credit is due, if they felt like the White House cared what they thought.

Our job as progressives is to never be satisfied, to always be impatient with the pace of change. Frederick Douglass, Alice Paul, Walter Reuther, Martin Luther King, Jr.- none of them were ever satisfied with the progress being made, and the Presidents they worked with were constantly aggravated at the pressure they received. But big changes got done when Presidents understood the importance of working effectively with them and the movements they represented. It is time for Obama (and his staff) to understand this and make the effort. Even when we are being irritating, even when you think we are being unfair, the White House needs to reach out their hand to progressives and work with us instead of venting about us to the media. FDR understood that and got re-elected by landslides with enthusiastic base support in the toughest of times. LBJ understood that in 1964, got re-elected in a landslide with progressives happily behind him, but then forgot it and let Vietnam break his party in the '68 election. Bill Clinton understood that, avoided a primary in tough political circumstances, and won re-election easily with a pumped up progressive community strongly behind him. I hope President Obama comes to understand that it is your base, including the professional left, that can sustain you in tough economic and political times, but that you need to reach out to them rather than complain about them.

Cross-posted at my home blog, OpenLeft.com , where you can read all of my other writing

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Subject Ruckelshaus Time 100 Piece

Administrator -- below is the piece by William Ruckelshaus that will introduce your listing on the Time 100 Most Influential People in the World.

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Time 100
Administrator Lisa Jackson
By William D. Ruckelshaus

The most impressive thing about Lisa Jackson is that she is doing exactly what an EPA Administrator is supposed to do – thoughtfully and carefully, but aggressively – implementing our environmental laws to protect public health and our environment. The job of the Administrator of the EPA is not to make people happy but to make them and their environment healthier

Fortunately for the Agency, and the country, she arrives equipped with a rare combination of assets to help do her job: in equal measure experience, fairness, sure-footedness, determination and the ability to sound a credible and measured voice in defense of citizen's rights to fresh air, clean water and a stable climate. She understands the biggest impact of pollution is often on the poor – those least able to cope with the complexities of modern life.

Fresh from managing a challenging State environmental program in New Jersey, Jackson inherited a buffeted EPA suffering from a reputation as a political windsock. It is tempting to conclude that EPA's authority is drawn primarily from its regulatory power, as indeed much of it is. But

Jackson has correctly sensed that restoring public trust in the Agency is essential to its effectiveness. In this era of growing public mistrust of government, that same public, as well as, state partners, industry, small

businesses and importantly EPA staff must have confidence that decisions are being driven by science and an unbiased interpretation of the law, and not a political agenda.

Jackson is inspiring this kind of confidence: She recently worked with President Obama to help broker a deal among major automakers to raise fuel efficiency of cars to 35 miles per gallon, no small feat. In moving forward with a Supreme Court ordered decision to act on a scientifically based conclusion that greenhouse gasses endanger public health and welfare, Jackson has strongly signaled sensitivity to the economic consequences of regulating these emissions by supporting a tailored approach that would make its impact more publically palatable.

The real promise of Lisa Jackson is that she can guide this ship, steer it out of the furious partisan maelstrom that always threatens to blow it off course, and restore environmental protection to its rightful place essential to a functioning democracy.

The American people are lucky to have such a dedicated and skilled protector at EPA.

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Subject Chu on Jackson....

Steven Chu posted the following on his Facebook page about you.

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My colleague, EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson, has recently launched a Facebook page (insert link to facebook.com/lisapjackson) of her own. From climate legislation to the EnergyStar program, Lisa and I work very closely together on a wide variety of issues. Check out her page for great updates on the issues.

But of course, when it comes to nerdy Powerpoint slides, this is still the DEFINITIVE Facebook page.

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Subject Al Gore -- Reuters

NEW YORK (Reuters) - Al Gore's pitch for saving the planet from global warming appears to be falling on increasingly deaf ears, a Zogby Interactive survey shows.

Nearly half of Americans, or 49 percent, say they are only slightly or not at all concerned about climate change, while 35 percent are somewhat or highly concerned, the survey shows.

Zogby's latest poll shows those with more relaxed views on the issue jumped 10 percentage points from 2007, when 39 percent said they were slightly or not at all concerned. In 2007, 48 percent said they were somewhat or highly concerned.

The survey's results emerge as the United Nations climate change summit in Copenhagen heads into its final week, amid warnings that global warming could eventually melt the polar ice caps, raising sea levels and causing drought and other severe weather conditions.

Gore, a former U.S. vice president, helped raise awareness of climate change by narrating the hit documentary "An Inconvenient Truth," which won two Academy Awards in 2007.

"Well, I think people respond to what is going on around them. In the last couple of years, especially in the Eastern part of the United States, weather patterns have been quite normal," said Stephen Harned, executive director for the National Weather Association, and a 36-year veteran of the National Weather Service.

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Harned, who cited regular snowy winters and particularly cool summers, said there could be a shift in perception because the weather seems to not be getting warmer.

"But I think the record is pretty firm that global air temperatures are increasing," Harned said. "The amount of carbon dioxide in the air is also increasing."

Global warming refers to an increase of average temperatures on the earth's near-surface air and oceans, which many experts believe is caused by higher concentrations of greenhouse gases caused mainly by the burning of fossil fuels.

"It's a fact that there has been warming of the earth's atmospheric temperatures in the past few years," Harned said.

However, Harned explains that near-term doomsday scenarios are far-fetched. He said sea levels

will not rise dramatically over the next 10 years, even though glaciers worldwide have shrunk in many locations.

"But in the next 50 to 100 years -- and hopefully I won't be here -- that is what's going to happen," Harned stressed. "And that is where the controversy comes into play."

Many Americans seem unworried, the survey showed.

The percentage not at all concerned about global climate change rose to 37 percent from 27 percent in 2007, while only 20 percent said they were highly concerned, compared with 37 percent in 2007.

The survey found that 44 percent believe the United States should act to reduce energy use if it means major lifestyle changes.

Harned said more renewable green sources of energy are needed and that people need to live more energy-conscious lives because "worldwide there is going to be more and more of us."

The survey also showed 68 percent of Republicans and 46 percent of political independents said they are not at all concerned about global climate change and global warming, compared to just 7 percent of Democrats.

The interactive survey of 3,072 adults nationwide was conducted December 8-10. A sampling of Zogby International's online panel, which is representative of adult Americans, was invited to participate. The margin of error is plus or minus 1.8 percentage points.

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Subject Cap and Trade Estimates from Treasury

This is a CBS news story being pumped now by Drudge...you should read

The Obama administration has privately concluded that a cap and trade law would cost American taxpayers up to \$200 billion a year, the equivalent of hiking personal income taxes by about 15 percent.

A previously unreleased analysis prepared by the U.S. Department of Treasury says the total in new taxes would be between \$100 billion to \$200 billion a year. At the upper end of the administration's estimate, the cost per American household would be an extra \$1,761 a year.

A second memorandum, which was prepared for Obama's transition team after the November election, says this about climate change policies: "Economic costs will likely be on the order of 1 percent of GDP, making them equal in scale to all existing environmental regulation."

The documents (PDF) were obtained under the Freedom of Information Act by the free-market Competitive Enterprise Institute and released on Tuesday.

These disclosures will probably not aid the political prospects of the Democrats' cap and trade bill. The House of Representatives approved it by a remarkably narrow margin in June -- the bill would have failed if only six House members had switched their votes to "no" -- and it faces significant opposition in the Senate.

One reason the bill faces an uncertain future is concern about its cost. House Republican Leader John Boehner has estimated the additional tax bill would be at \$366 billion a year, or \$3,100 a year per family. Democrats have pointed to estimates from MIT's John Reilly, who put the cost at \$800 a year per family, and noted that tax credits to low income households could offset part of the bite. The Heritage Foundation says that, by 2035, "the typical family of four will see its

direct energy costs rise by over \$1,500 per year."

One difference is that while Heritage's numbers are talking about 26 years in the future, the Treasury Department's figures don't have a time limit.

"Heritage is saying publicly what the administration is saying to itself privately," says Christopher Horner, a senior fellow at the Competitive Enterprise Institute who filed the FOIA request. "It's nice to see they're not spinning each other behind closed doors."

"They're not telling you the cost -- they're not telling you the benefit," says Horner, who wrote the Politically Incorrect Guide to Global Warming. "If they don't tell you the cost, and they don't tell you the benefit, what are they telling you? They're just talking about global salvation."

The FOIA'd document written by Judson Jaffe, who joined the Treasury Department's Office of Environment and Energy in January 2009, says: "Given the administration's proposal to auction all emission allowances, a cap-and-trade program could generate federal receipts on the order of \$100 to \$200 billion annually." (Obviously, any final cap-and-trade system may be different from what Obama had proposed, and could yield higher or lower taxes.)

Because personal income tax revenues bring in around \$1.37 trillion a year, a \$200 billion additional tax would be the equivalent of a 15 percent increase a year. A \$100 billion additional tax would represent a 7 or 8 percent increase a year.

Update 9/16/2009: The Environmental Defense Fund has responded to the documents' release with a statement saying, in part:

Even if a 100 percent auction was a live legislative proposal, which it's not, that math ignores the redistribution of revenue back to consumers. It only looks at one side of the balance sheet. It would only be true if you think the Administration was going to pile all the cash on the White House lawn and set it on fire.

The bill passed by the House sends the value of pollution permits to consumers, and it contains robust cost-containment provisions. Every credible and independent economic analysis of the American Clean Energy

and Security Act (such as those done by the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office, the Energy Information Administration, and the Environmental Protection Agency) says the costs will be small and affordable -- and that the U.S. economy will grow with a cap on carbon.

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Subject President's Response to Cong. Capito on Energy

The president spoke today at the GOP issues conference in Baltimore and was asked a question by Congresswoman Capito that the White House suggested we should all note. Here it is:

CONGRESSWOMAN CAPITO: Thank you, Mr. President, for joining us here today. As you said in the State of the Union address on Wednesday, jobs and the economy are number one. And I think everyone in this room, certainly I, agree with you on that.

I represent the state of West Virginia. We're resource-rich. We have a lot of coal and a lot of natural gas. But our -- my miners and the folks who are working and those who are unemployed are very concerned about some of your policies in these areas: cap and trade, an aggressive EPA, and the looming prospect of higher taxes. In our minds, these are job-killing policies. So I'm asking you if you would be willing to re-look at some of these policies, with a high unemployment and the unsure economy that we have now, to assure West Virginians that you're listening.

THE PRESIDENT: Look, I listen all the time, including to your governor, who's somebody who I enjoyed working with a lot before the campaign and now that I'm President. And I know that West Virginia struggles with unemployment, and I know how important coal is to West Virginia and a lot of the natural resources there. That's part of the reason why I've said that we need a comprehensive energy policy that sets us up for a long-term future.

For example, nobody has been a bigger promoter of clean coal technology than I am. Testament to that, I ended up being in a whole bunch of advertisements that you guys saw all the time about investing in ways for us to burn coal more cleanly.

I've said that I'm a promoter of nuclear energy, something that I think over the last three decades has been subject to a lot of partisan wrangling and ideological wrangling. I don't think it makes sense. I think that that has to be part of our energy mix. I've said that I am supportive -- and I said this two nights ago at the State of the Union -- that I am in favor of increased production.

So if you look at the ideas that this caucus has, again with respect to energy, I'm for a lot of what you said you are for.

The one thing that I've also said, though, and here we have a serious disagreement and my hope is we can work through these disagreements -- there's going to be an effort on the Senate side to do so on a bipartisan basis -- is that we have to plan for the future.

And the future is that clean energy -- cleaner forms of energy are going to be increasingly important, because even if folks are still skeptical in some cases about climate change in our politics and in Congress, the world is not skeptical about it. If we're going to be after some of these big markets, they're going to be looking to see, is the United States the one that's developing clean coal technology? Is the United States developing our natural gas resources in the most effective way? Is the United States the one that is going to lead in electric cars? Because if we're not leading, those other countries are going to be leading.

So what I want to do is work with West Virginia to figure out how we can seize that future. But to do that, that means there's going to have to be some transition. We can't operate the coal industry in the United States as if we're still in the 1920s or the 1930s or the 1950s. We've got to be thinking what does that industry look like in the next hundred years. And it's going to be different. And that means there's going to be some transition. And that's where I think a well-thought-through policy of incentivizing the new while recognizing that there's going to be a transition process -- and we're not just suddenly putting the old out of business right away -- that has to be something that both Republicans and Democrats should be able to embrace.

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AP: Obama To Boehner: New EPA, Transportation Regulations Would Cost Economy More Than \$1 Billion A Year

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WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama says his administration is considering seven new government regulations that would cost the economy more than \$1 billion each a year, a tally Republicans will pounce on to argue that Congress needs the power to approve costly government rules.

In a letter to House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, Obama lists four proposed Environmental Protection Agency rules and three Department of Transportation rules estimated to cost in excess of \$1 billion. One of the proposed EPA rules – an update to the health-based standard for smog – is estimated to cost the economy between \$19 billion and \$90 billion.

The letter, dated Tuesday, comes as the Republican-controlled House prepares to consider legislation that would require congressional approval for any new regulations that would impose a significant cost on industries.

The four environmental regulations, which target air pollution and coal residue primarily from coal-fired power plants, have already been attacked by House Republicans, who have said they would kill jobs and harm the economy.

A federal court ordered the Obama administration to propose two of the four environmental rules.

And while the regulations would be expensive to comply with, EPA officials say they will save billions of dollars in avoided health care costs each year by reducing asthma and other illnesses, such as cancer. In some cases, the cost savings are greater than the upfront expense, according to EPA figures.

Obama's letter was in response to a Boehner request last week for more details from the president on the proposed costs of the most expensive regulations under consideration by his administration. Obama's administration has identified 219 proposed regulations this year with a cost to the economy of more than \$100 million.

Obama said a number of regulations being contemplated are in such preliminary stages of review that they have no reliable cost estimates.

The president said the seven proposals he did identify are not final and that his administration will "give careful consideration" to cost-savings. He said his administration already has made changes that have saved more than \$10 billion in regulatory costs over the next five years, and said new regulations must meet cost-saving requirements that he ordered earlier this year.

He also defended his regulatory record, saying the cost of final rules adopted in 2007 and 2008, during the administration of President George W. Bush, were higher than in the first two years of his administration.

"In 2009 and 2010, the benefits of such rules -- including not only monetary savings but also lives saved and illnesses prevented -- exceeded the costs by tens of billions of dollars," Obama wrote.

Politico: Obama to Boehner: Pending EPA rules among priciest

By Robin Bravender

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President Barack Obama provided House Speaker John Boehner with a list Tuesday of the most expensive rules coming soon from the federal government, including four contentious EPA regulations.

In response to a request from Boehner last week, Obama sent a list of seven pending federal

rules with estimated costs of more than \$1 billion annually. Four of the seven regulations on the list are EPA rules on ozone, air toxics from utilities, air toxics from boilers and coal ash. Obama said the rules are “merely proposed, and before finalizing any of them, we will take account of public comments and concerns and give careful consideration to cost-saving possibilities and alternatives.”

Boehner last week charged that planned regulations have jumped in the past year, and called on the administration to calculate and publicize their economic impact.

“This year, the administration’s current regulatory agenda identifies 219 planned new regulations that have estimated annual costs in excess of \$100 million each,” [Boehner wrote](#). “That’s almost a 15 percent increase over last year and appears to contradict public suggestions by the administration this week that the regulatory burden on American job creators is being scaled back.”

Obama countered that the regulatory agenda is “merely a list of rules that are under general contemplation,” and would be subject to review and cost-saving requirements before being issued.

Of the rules on the list, the most expensive is EPA’s pending reconsideration of the George W. Bush administration’s 2008 ozone standard. That proposed rule has an estimated cost between \$19 billion and \$90 billion per year.

The annual estimated cost is \$10 billion for EPA’s air toxics standards for power plants; \$3 billion for the air toxics rule for boilers; and between \$600 million and \$1.5 billion for the coal ash rule.

The other three rules on Obama’s list are from the Transportation Department. They deal with safety standards and hours-of-service requirements that limit when and how long operators of commercial motor vehicles can drive.

The administration’s critics are certain to seize upon the list as they accuse the White House and the EPA of pursuing regulations that hamper job growth. The ozone standard in particular has already drawn the ire of a broad range of industry groups and GOP lawmakers.

But Obama insisted that his administration is working to reduce the regulatory burden on industry through a government-wide initiative to limit costs of new rules and slash outdated existing rules.

Obama said the total costs of major rules reviewed under the George W. Bush administration in 2007 and 2008 were higher than they were during the first two years of his administration. In 2009 and 2010, he said, “the benefits of such rules — including not only monetary savings but also lives saved and illnesses prevented — exceeded the costs by tens of billions of dollars.”

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Climate of Denial

Can science and the truth withstand the merchants of poison?

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The first time I remember hearing the question "is it real?" was when I went as a young boy to see a traveling show put on by "professional wrestlers" one summer evening in the gym of the Forks River Elementary School in Elmwood, Tennessee.

The evidence that it was real was palpable: "They're really hurting each other! That's real blood! Look a'there! They can't fake that!" On the other hand, there was clearly a script (or in today's language, a "narrative"), with good guys to cheer and bad guys to boo.

But the most unusual and in some ways most interesting character in these dramas was the referee: Whenever the bad guy committed a gross and obvious violation of the "rules" — such as they were — like using a metal folding chair to smack the good guy in the head, the referee always seemed to be preoccupied with one of the cornermen, or looking the other way. Yet whenever the good guy — after absorbing more abuse and unfairness than any reasonable person could tolerate — committed the slightest infraction, the referee was all over him. The answer to the question "Is it real?" seemed connected to the question of whether the referee was somehow confused about his role: Was he too an entertainer?

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That is pretty much the role now being played by most of the news media in refereeing the current wrestling match over whether global warming is "real," and whether it has any connection to the constant dumping of 90 million tons of heat-trapping emissions into the Earth's thin shell of atmosphere every 24 hours.

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Admittedly, the contest over global warming is a challenge for the referee because it's a tag-team match, a real free-for-all. In one corner of the ring are Science and Reason. In the other corner: Poisonous Polluters and Right-wing Ideologues.

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The referee — in this analogy, the news media — seems confused about whether he is in the news business or the entertainment business. Is he responsible for ensuring a fair match? Or is he part of the show, selling tickets and building the audience? The referee certainly seems distracted: by Donald Trump, Charlie Sheen, the latest reality show — the list of serial obsessions is too long to enumerate here.

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But whatever the cause, the referee appears not to notice that the Polluters and Ideologues are trampling all over the "rules" of democratic discourse. They are financing pseudoscientists whose job is to manufacture doubt about what is true and what is false; buying elected officials wholesale with bribes that the politicians themselves have made "legal" and can now be made in secret; spending hundreds of millions of dollars each year on misleading advertisements in the mass media; hiring four anti-climate lobbyists for every member of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. (Question: Would Michael Jordan have been a star if he was covered by four defensive players every step he took on the basketball court?)

[How oil and gas companies have blocked progress on global warming](#)

This script, of course, is not entirely new: A half-century ago, when Science and Reason established the linkage between cigarettes and lung diseases, the tobacco industry hired actors, dressed them up as doctors, and paid them to look into television cameras and tell people that the linkage revealed in the Surgeon General's Report was not real at all. The show went on for decades, with more Americans killed each year by cigarettes than all of the U.S. soldiers killed in all of World War II.

This time, the scientific consensus is even stronger. It has been endorsed by every National Academy of science of every major country on the planet, every major professional scientific society related to the study of global warming and 98 percent of climate scientists throughout the world. In the latest and most authoritative study by 3,000 of the very best scientific experts in the world, the evidence was judged "unequivocal."

But wait! The good guys transgressed the rules of decorum, as evidenced in their private e-mails that were stolen and put on the Internet. The referee is all over it: Penalty! Go to your corner! And in their 3,000-page report, the scientists made some mistakes! Another penalty!

And if more of the audience is left confused about whether the climate crisis is real? Well, the show must go on. After all, it's entertainment. There are tickets to be sold, eyeballs to glue to the screen.

Part of the script for this show was leaked to *The New York Times* as early as 1991. In an internal document, a consortium of the largest global-warming polluters spelled out their principal strategy: "Reposition global warming as theory, rather than fact." Ever since, they have been

sowing doubt even more effectively than the tobacco companies before them.

To sell their false narrative, the Polluters and Ideologues have found it essential to undermine the public's respect for Science and Reason by attacking the integrity of the climate scientists. That is why the scientists are regularly accused of falsifying evidence and exaggerating its implications in a greedy effort to win more research grants, or secretly pursuing a hidden political agenda to expand the power of government. Such slanderous insults are deeply ironic: extremist ideologues — many financed or employed by carbon polluters — accusing scientists of being greedy extremist ideologues.

After World War II, a philosopher studying the impact of organized propaganda on the quality of democratic debate wrote, "The conversion of all questions of truth into questions of power has attacked the very heart of the distinction between true and false."

Is the climate crisis real? Yes, of course it is. Pause for a moment to consider these events of just the past 12 months:

- **Heat.** According to NASA, 2010 was tied with 2005 as the hottest year measured since instruments were first used systematically in the 1880s. Nineteen countries set all-time high temperature records. One city in Pakistan, Mohenjo-Daro, reached 128.3 degrees Fahrenheit, the hottest temperature ever measured in an Asian city. Nine of the 10 hottest years in history have occurred in the last 13 years. The past decade was the hottest ever measured, even though half of that decade represented a "solar minimum" — the low ebb in the natural cycle of solar energy emanating from the sun.
- **Floods.** Megafloods displaced 20 million people in Pakistan, further destabilizing a nuclear-armed country; inundated an area of Australia larger than Germany and France combined; flooded 28 of the 32 districts that make up Colombia, where it has rained almost continuously for the past year; caused a "thousand-year" flood in my home city of Nashville; and led to all-time record flood levels in the Mississippi River Valley. Many places around the world are now experiencing larger and more frequent extreme downpours and snowstorms; last year's "Snowmagedon" in the northeastern United States is part of the same pattern, notwithstanding the guffaws of deniers.
- **Drought.** Historic drought and fires in Russia killed an estimated 56,000 people and caused wheat and other food crops in Russia, Ukraine and Kazakhstan to be removed from the global market, contributing to a record spike in food prices. "Practically everything is burning," Russian president Dmitry Medvedev declared. "What's happening with the planet's climate right now needs to be a wake-up call to all of us." The drought level in much of Texas has been raised from "extreme" to "exceptional," the highest category. This spring the majority of the counties in Texas were on fire, and Gov. Rick Perry requested a major disaster declaration for all but two of the state's 254 counties. Arizona is now fighting the largest fire in its history. Since 1970, the fire season throughout the American West has increased by 78 days. Extreme droughts in central China and northern France are currently drying up reservoirs and killing crops.
- **Melting Ice.** An enormous mass of ice, four times larger than the island of Manhattan, broke off

from northern Greenland last year and slipped into the sea. The acceleration of ice loss in both Greenland and Antarctica has caused another upward revision of global sea-level rise and the numbers of refugees expected from low-lying coastal areas. The Arctic ice cap, which reached a record low volume last year, has lost as much as 40 percent of its area during summer in just 30 years.

These extreme events are happening in real time. It is not uncommon for the nightly newscast to resemble a nature hike through the Book of Revelation. Yet most of the news media completely ignore how such events are connected to the climate crisis, or dismiss the connection as controversial; after all, there are scientists on one side of the debate and deniers on the other. A Fox News executive, in an internal e-mail to the network's reporters and editors that later became public, questioned the "veracity of climate change data" and ordered the journalists to "refrain from asserting that the planet has warmed (or cooled) in any given period without IMMEDIATELY pointing out that such theories are based upon data that critics have called into question."

But in the "real" world, the record droughts, fires, floods and mudslides continue to increase in severity and frequency. Leading climate scientists like Jim Hansen and Kevin Trenberth now say that events like these would almost certainly not be occurring without the influence of man-made global warming. And that's a shift in the way they frame these impacts. Scientists used to caution that we were increasing the probability of such extreme events by "loading the dice" — pumping more carbon into the atmosphere. Now the scientists go much further, warning that we are "painting more dots on the dice." We are not only more likely to roll 12s; we are now rolling 13s and 14s. In other words, the biggest storms are not only becoming more frequent, they are getting bigger, stronger and more destructive.

"The only plausible explanation for the rise in weather-related catastrophes is climate change," Munich Re, one of the two largest reinsurance companies in the world, recently stated. "The view that weather extremes are more frequent and intense due to global warming coincides with the current state of scientific knowledge."

Many of the extreme and destructive events are the result of the rapid increase in the amount of heat energy from the sun that is trapped in the atmosphere, which is radically disrupting the planet's water cycle. More heat energy evaporates more water into the air, and the warmer air holds a lot more moisture. This has huge consequences that we now see all around the world.

When a storm unleashes a downpour of rain or snow, the precipitation does not originate just in the part of the sky directly above where it falls. Storms reach out — sometimes as far as 2,000 miles — to suck in water vapor from large areas of the sky, including the skies above oceans, where water vapor has increased by four percent in just the last 30 years. (Scientists often compare this phenomenon to what happens in a bathtub when you open the drain; the water rushing out comes from the whole tub, not just from the part of the tub directly above the drain. And when the tub is filled with more water, more goes down the drain. In the same way, when the warmer sky is filled with a lot more water vapor, there are bigger downpours when a storm cell opens the "drain.")

In many areas, these bigger downpours also mean longer periods between storms — at the same time that the extra heat in the air is also drying out the soil. That is part of the reason so many areas have been experiencing both record floods and deeper, longer-lasting droughts.

Moreover, the scientists have been warning us for quite some time — in increasingly urgent tones — that things will get much, much worse if we continue the reckless dumping of more and more heat-trapping pollution into the atmosphere. Drought is projected to spread across significant, highly populated areas of the globe throughout this century. Look at what the scientists say is in store for the Mediterranean nations. Should we care about the loss of Spain, France, Italy, the Balkans, Turkey, Tunisia? Look at what they say is in store for Mexico. Should we notice? Should we care?

Maybe it's just easier, psychologically, to swallow the lie that these scientists who devote their lives to their work are actually greedy deceivers and left-wing extremists — and that we should instead put our faith in the pseudoscientists financed by large carbon polluters whose business plans depend on their continued use of the atmospheric commons as a place to dump their gaseous, heat-trapping waste without limit or constraint, free of charge.

The truth is this: What we are doing is functionally insane. If we do not change this pattern, we will condemn our children and all future generations to struggle with ecological curses for several millennia to come. Twenty percent of the global-warming pollution we spew into the sky each day will still be there 20,000 years from now!

We do have another choice. Renewable energy sources are coming into their own. Both solar and wind will soon produce power at costs that are competitive with fossil fuels; indications are that twice as many solar installations were erected worldwide last year as compared to 2009. The reductions in cost and the improvements in efficiency of photovoltaic cells over the past decade appear to be following an exponential curve that resembles a less dramatic but still startling version of what happened with computer chips over the past 50 years.

Enhanced geothermal energy is potentially a nearly limitless source of competitive electricity. Increased energy efficiency is already saving businesses money and reducing emissions significantly. New generations of biomass energy — ones that do not rely on food crops, unlike the mistaken strategy of making ethanol from corn — are extremely promising. Sustainable forestry and agriculture both make economic as well as environmental sense. And all of these options would spread even more rapidly if we stopped subsidizing Big Oil and Coal and put a price on carbon that reflected the true cost of fossil energy — either through the much-maligned cap-and-trade approach, or through a revenue-neutral tax swap.

All over the world, the grassroots movement in favor of changing public policies to confront the climate crisis and build a more prosperous, sustainable future is growing rapidly. But most governments remain paralyzed, unable to take action — even after years of volatile gasoline prices, repeated wars in the Persian Gulf, one energy-related disaster after another, and a seemingly endless stream of unprecedented and lethal weather disasters.

Continuing on our current course would be suicidal for global civilization. But the key question is: How do we drive home that fact in a democratic society when questions of truth have been converted into questions of power? When the distinction between what is true and what is false is being attacked relentlessly, and when the referee in the contest between truth and falsehood has become an entertainer selling tickets to a phony wrestling match?

The "wrestling ring" in this metaphor is the conversation of democracy. It used to be called the "public square." In ancient Athens, it was the Agora. In the Roman Republic, it was the Forum. In the Egypt of the recent Arab Spring, "Tahrir Square" was both real and metaphorical — encompassing Facebook, Twitter, Al-Jazeera and texting.

In the America of the late-18th century, the conversation that led to our own "Spring" took place in printed words: pamphlets, newsprint, books, the "Republic of Letters." It represented the fullest flower of the Enlightenment, during which the oligarchic power of the monarchies, the feudal lords and the Medieval Church was overthrown and replaced with a new sovereign: the Rule of Reason.

The public square that gave birth to the new consciousness of the Enlightenment emerged in the dozen generations following the invention of the printing press — "the Gutenberg Galaxy," the scholar Marshall McLuhan called it — a space in which the conversation of democracy was almost equally accessible to every literate person. Individuals could both find the knowledge that had previously been restricted to elites and contribute their own ideas.

Ideas that found resonance with others rose in prominence much the way Google searches do today, finding an ever larger audience and becoming a source of political power for individuals with neither wealth nor force of arms. Thomas Paine, to take one example, emigrated from England to Philadelphia with no wealth, no family connections and no power other than that which came from his ability to think and write clearly — yet his *Common Sense* became the *Harry Potter* of Revolutionary America. The "public interest" mattered, was actively discussed and pursued.

But the "public square" that gave birth to America has been transformed beyond all recognition. The conversation that matters most to the shaping of the "public mind" now takes place on television. Newspapers and magazines are in decline. The Internet, still in its early days, will one day support business models that make true journalism profitable — but up until now, the only successful news websites aggregate content from struggling print publications. Web versions of the newspapers themselves are, with few exceptions, not yet making money. They bring to mind the classic image of Wile E. Coyote running furiously in midair just beyond the edge of the cliff, before plummeting to the desert floor far beneath him.

The average American, meanwhile, is watching television an astonishing five hours a day. In the average household, at least one television set is turned on more than eight hours a day. Moreover, approximately 75 percent of those using the Internet frequently watch television at the same time that they are online.

Unlike access to the "public square" of early America, access to television requires large amounts of money. Thomas Paine could walk out of his front door in Philadelphia and find a dozen competing, low-cost print shops within blocks of his home. Today, if he traveled to the nearest TV station, or to the headquarters of nearby Comcast — the dominant television provider in America — and tried to deliver his new ideas to the American people, he would be laughed off the premises. The public square that used to be a commons has been refeudalized, and the gatekeepers charge large rents for the privilege of communicating to the American people over the only medium that really affects their thinking. "Citizens" are now referred to more commonly as "consumers" or "the audience."

That is why up to 80 percent of the campaign budgets for candidates in both major political parties is devoted to the purchase of 30-second TV ads. Since the rates charged for these commercials increase each year, the candidates are forced to raise more and more money in each two-year campaign cycle.

Of course, the only reliable sources from which such large sums can be raised continuously are business lobbies. Organized labor, a shadow of its former self, struggles to compete, and individuals are limited by law to making small contributions. During the 2008 campaign, there was a bubble of hope that Internet-based fundraising might even the scales, but in the end, Democrats as well as Republicans relied far more on traditional sources of large contributions. Moreover, the recent deregulation of unlimited — and secret — donations by wealthy corporations has made the imbalance even worse.

In the new ecology of political discourse, special-interest contributors of the large sums of money now required for the privilege of addressing voters on a wholesale basis are not squeamish about asking for the quo they expect in return for their quid. Politicians who don't acquiesce don't get the money they need to be elected and re-elected. And the impact is doubled when special interests make clear — usually bluntly — that the money they are withholding will go instead to opponents who are more than happy to pledge the desired quo. Politicians have been racing to the bottom for some time, and are presently tunneling to new depths. It is now commonplace for congressmen and senators first elected decades ago — as I was — to comment in private that the whole process has become unbelievably crass, degrading and horribly destructive to the core values of American democracy.

Largely as a result, the concerns of the wealthiest individuals and corporations routinely trump the concerns of average Americans and small businesses. There are a ridiculously large number of examples: eliminating the inheritance tax paid by the wealthiest one percent of families is considered a much higher priority than addressing the suffering of the millions of long-term unemployed; Wall Street's interest in legalizing gambling in trillions of dollars of "derivatives" was considered way more important than protecting the integrity of the financial system and the interests of middle-income home buyers. It's a long list.

Almost every group organized to promote and protect the "public interest" has been backpedaling and on the defensive. By sharp contrast, when a coalition of powerful special interests sets out to manipulate U.S. policy, their impact can be startling — and the damage to

the true national interest can be devastating.

In 2002, for example, the feverish desire to invade Iraq required convincing the American people that Saddam Hussein was somehow responsible for attacking the United States on September 11th, 2001, and that he was preparing to attack us again, perhaps with nuclear weapons. When the evidence — the "facts" — stood in the way of that effort to shape the public mind, they were ridiculed, maligned and ignored. Behind the scenes, the intelligence was manipulated and the public was intentionally deceived. Allies were pressured to adopt the same approach with their publics. A recent inquiry in the U.K. confirmed this yet again. "We knew at the time that the purpose of the dossier was precisely to make a case for war, rather than setting out the available intelligence," Maj. Gen. Michael Laurie testified. "To make the best out of sparse and inconclusive intelligence, the wording was developed with care." Why? As British intelligence put it, the overthrow of Saddam was "a prize because it could give new security to oil supplies."

That goal — the real goal — could have been debated on its own terms. But as Bush administration officials have acknowledged, a truly candid presentation would not have resulted in sufficient public support for the launching of a new war. They knew that because they had studied it and polled it. So they manipulated the debate, downplayed the real motive for the invasion, and made a different case to the public — one based on falsehoods.

And the "referee" — the news media — looked the other way. Some, like Fox News, were hyperactive cheerleaders. Others were intimidated into going along by the vitriol heaped on any who asked inconvenient questions. (They know it; many now acknowledge it, sheepishly and apologetically.)

Senators themselves fell, with a few honorable exceptions, into the same two camps. A few weeks before the United States invaded Iraq, the late Robert Byrd — God rest his soul — thundered on the Senate floor about the pitiful quality of the debate over the choice between war and peace: "Yet, this Chamber is, for the most part, silent — ominously, dreadfully silent. There is no debate, no discussion, no attempt to lay out for the nation the pros and cons of this particular war. There is nothing."

The chamber was silent, in part, because many senators were somewhere else — attending cocktail parties and receptions, largely with special-interest donors, raising money to buy TV ads for their next campaigns. Nowadays, in fact, the scheduling of many special-interest fundraisers mirrors the schedule of votes pending in the House and Senate.

By the time we invaded Iraq, polls showed, nearly three-quarters of the American people were convinced that the person responsible for the planes flying into the World Trade Center Towers was indeed Saddam Hussein. The rest is history — though, as Faulkner wrote, "The past is never dead. It's not even past." Because of that distortion of the truth in the past, we are still in Iraq; and because the bulk of our troops and intelligence assets were abruptly diverted from Afghanistan to Iraq, we are also still in Afghanistan.

In the same way, because the banks had their way with Congress when it came to gambling on unregulated derivatives and recklessly endangering credit markets with subprime mortgages, we

still have almost double-digit unemployment, historic deficits, Greece and possibly other European countries teetering on the edge of default, and the threat of a double-dip recession. Even the potential default of the United States of America is now being treated by many politicians and too many in the media as yet another phony wrestling match, a political game. Are the potential economic consequences of a U.S. default "real"? Of course they are! Have we gone completely nuts?

We haven't gone nuts — but the "conversation of democracy" has become so deeply dysfunctional that our ability to make intelligent collective decisions has been seriously impaired. Throughout American history, we relied on the vibrancy of our public square — and the quality of our democratic discourse — to make better decisions than most nations in the history of the world. But we are now routinely making really bad decisions that completely ignore the best available evidence of what is true and what is false. When the distinction between truth and falsehood is systematically attacked without shame or consequence — when a great nation makes crucially important decisions on the basis of completely false information that is no longer adequately filtered through the fact-checking function of a healthy and honest public discussion — the public interest is severely damaged.

That is exactly what is happening with U.S. decisions regarding the climate crisis. The best available evidence demonstrates beyond any reasonable doubt that the reckless spewing of global-warming pollution in obscene quantities into the atmospheric commons is having exactly the consequences long predicted by scientists who have analyzed the known facts according to the laws of physics.

The emergence of the climate crisis seems sudden only because of a relatively recent discontinuity in the relationship between human civilization and the planet's ecological system. In the past century, we have quadrupled global population while relying on the burning of carbon-based fuels — coal, oil and gas — for 85 percent of the world's energy. We are also cutting and burning forests that would otherwise help remove some of the added CO₂ from the atmosphere, and have converted agriculture to an industrial model that also runs on carbon-based fuels and strip-mines carbon-rich soils.

The cumulative result is a radically new reality — and since human nature makes us vulnerable to confusing the unprecedented with the improbable, it naturally seems difficult to accept. Moreover, since this new reality is painful to contemplate, and requires big changes in policy and behavior that are at the outer limit of our ability, it is all too easy to fall into the psychological state of denial. As with financial issues like subprime mortgages and credit default swaps, the climate crisis can seem too complex to worry about, especially when the shills for the polluters constantly claim it's all a hoax anyway. And since the early impacts of climatic disruption are distributed globally, they masquerade as an abstraction that is safe to ignore.

These vulnerabilities, rooted in our human nature, are being manipulated by the tag-team of Polluters and Ideologues who are trying to deceive us. And the referee — the news media — is once again distracted. As with the invasion of Iraq, some are hyperactive cheerleaders for the deception, while others are intimidated into complicity, timidity and silence by the astonishing vitriol heaped upon those who dare to present the best evidence in a professional manner. Just as

TV networks who beat the drums of war prior to the Iraq invasion were rewarded with higher ratings, networks now seem reluctant to present the truth about the link between carbon pollution and global warming out of fear that conservative viewers will change the channel — and fear that they will receive a torrent of flame e-mails from deniers.

Many politicians, unfortunately, also fall into the same two categories: those who cheerlead for the deniers and those who cower before them. The latter group now includes several candidates for the Republican presidential nomination who have felt it necessary to abandon their previous support for action on the climate crisis; at least one has been apologizing profusely to the deniers and begging for their forgiveness.

"Intimidation" and "timidity" are connected by more than a shared word root. The first is designed to produce the second. As Yeats wrote almost a century ago, "The best lack all conviction, while the worst are full of passionate intensity."

Barack Obama's approach to the climate crisis represents a special case that requires careful analysis. His election was accompanied by intense hope that many things in need of change would change. Some things have, but others have not. Climate policy, unfortunately, is in the second category. Why?

First of all, anyone who honestly examines the incredible challenges confronting President Obama when he took office has to feel enormous empathy for him: the Great Recession, with the high unemployment and the enormous public and private indebtedness it produced; two seemingly interminable wars; an intractable political opposition whose true leaders — entertainers masquerading as pundits — openly declared that their objective was to ensure that the new president failed; a badly broken Senate that is almost completely paralyzed by the threat of filibuster and is controlled lock, stock and barrel by the oil and coal industries; a contingent of nominal supporters in Congress who are indentured servants of the same special interests that control most of the Republican Party; and a ferocious, well-financed and dishonest campaign poised to vilify anyone who dares offer leadership for the reduction of global-warming pollution.

In spite of these obstacles, President Obama included significant climate-friendly initiatives in the economic stimulus package he presented to Congress during his first month in office. With the skillful leadership of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and committee chairmen Henry Waxman and Ed Markey, he helped secure passage of a cap-and-trade measure in the House a few months later. He implemented historic improvements in fuel-efficiency standards for automobiles, and instructed the Environmental Protection Agency to move forward on the regulation of global-warming pollution under the Clean Air Act. He appointed many excellent men and women to key positions, and they, in turn, have made hundreds of changes in environmental and energy policy that have helped move the country forward slightly on the climate issue. During his first six months, he clearly articulated the link between environmental security, economic security and national security — making the case that a national commitment to renewable energy could simultaneously reduce unemployment, dependence on foreign oil and vulnerability to the disruption of oil markets dominated by the Persian Gulf reserves. And more recently, as the issue of long-term debt has forced discussion of new revenue, he proposed the elimination of unnecessary and expensive subsidies for oil and gas.

But in spite of these and other achievements, President Obama has thus far failed to use the bully pulpit to make the case for bold action on climate change. After successfully passing his green stimulus package, he did nothing to defend it when Congress decimated its funding. After the House passed cap and trade, he did little to make passage in the Senate a priority. Senate advocates — including one Republican — felt abandoned when the president made concessions to oil and coal companies without asking for anything in return. He has also called for a massive expansion of oil drilling in the United States, apparently in an effort to defuse criticism from those who argue speciously that "drill, baby, drill" is the answer to our growing dependence on foreign oil.

The failure to pass legislation to limit global-warming pollution ensured that the much-anticipated Copenhagen summit on a global treaty in 2009 would also end in failure. The president showed courage in attending the summit and securing a rhetorical agreement to prevent a complete collapse of the international process, but that's all it was — a rhetorical agreement. During the final years of the Bush-Cheney administration, the rest of the world was waiting for a new president who would aggressively tackle the climate crisis — and when it became clear that there would be no real change from the Bush era, the agenda at Copenhagen changed from "How do we complete this historic breakthrough?" to "How can we paper over this embarrassing disappointment?"

Some concluded from the failure in Copenhagen that it was time to give up on the entire U.N.-sponsored process for seeking an international agreement to reduce both global-warming pollution and deforestation. Ultimately, however, the only way to address the climate crisis will be with a global agreement that in one way or another puts a price on carbon. And whatever approach is eventually chosen, the U.S. simply must provide leadership by changing our own policy.

Yet without presidential leadership that focuses intensely on making the public aware of the reality we face, nothing will change. The real power of any president, as Richard Neustadt wrote, is "the power to persuade." Yet President Obama has never presented to the American people the magnitude of the climate crisis. He has simply not made the case for action. He has not defended the science against the ongoing, withering and dishonest attacks. Nor has he provided a presidential venue for the scientific community — including our own National Academy — to bring the reality of the science before the public.

Here is the core of it: we are destroying the climate balance that is essential to the survival of our civilization. This is not a distant or abstract threat; it is happening now. The United States is the only nation that can rally a global effort to save our future. And the president is the only person who can rally the United States.

Many political advisers assume that a president has to deal with the world of politics as he finds it, and that it is unwise to risk political capital on an effort to actually lead the country toward a new understanding of the real threats and real opportunities we face. Concentrate on the politics of re-election, they say. Don't take chances.

All that might be completely understandable and make perfect sense in a world where the climate crisis wasn't "real." Those of us who support and admire President Obama understand how difficult the politics of this issue are in the context of the massive opposition to doing anything at all — or even to recognizing that there is a crisis. And assuming that the Republicans come to their senses and avoid nominating a clown, his re-election is likely to involve a hard-fought battle with high stakes for the country. All of his supporters understand that it would be self-defeating to weaken Obama and heighten the risk of another step backward. Even writing an article like this one carries risks; opponents of the president will excerpt the criticism and strip it of context.

But in this case, the President has reality on his side. The scientific consensus is far stronger today than at any time in the past. Here is the truth: The Earth is round; Saddam Hussein did not attack us on 9/11; Elvis is dead; Obama was born in the United States; and the climate crisis is real. It is time to act.

Those who profit from the unconstrained pollution that is the primary cause of climate change are determined to block our perception of this reality. They have help from many sides: from the private sector, which is now free to make unlimited and secret campaign contributions; from politicians who have conflated their tenures in office with the pursuit of the people's best interests; and — tragically — from the press itself, which treats deception and falsehood on the same plane as scientific fact, and calls it objective reporting of alternative opinions.

All things are not equally true. It is time to face reality. We ignored reality in the marketplace and nearly destroyed the world economic system. We are likewise ignoring reality in the environment, and the consequences could be several orders of magnitude worse. Determining what is real can be a challenge in our culture, but in order to make wise choices in the presence of such grave risks, we must use common sense and the rule of reason in coming to an agreement on what is true.

So how can we make it happen? How can we as individuals make a difference? In five basic ways:

First, become a committed advocate for solving the crisis. You can start with something simple: Speak up whenever the subject of climate arises. When a friend or acquaintance expresses doubt that the crisis is real, or that it's some sort of hoax, don't let the opportunity pass to put down your personal marker. The civil rights revolution may have been driven by activists who put their lives on the line, but it was partly won by average Americans who began to challenge racist comments in everyday conversations.

Second, deepen your commitment by making consumer choices that reduce energy use and reduce your impact on the environment. The demand by individuals for change in the marketplace has already led many businesses to take truly significant steps to reduce their global-warming pollution. Some of the corporate changes are more symbolic than real — "green-washing," as it's called — but a surprising amount of real progress is taking place. Walmart, to pick one example, is moving aggressively to cut its carbon footprint by 20 million

metric tons, in part by pressuring its suppliers to cut down on wasteful packaging and use lower-carbon transportation alternatives. Reward those companies that are providing leadership.

Third, join an organization committed to action on this issue. The Alliance for Climate Protection (climateprotect.org), which I chair, has grassroots action plans for the summer and fall that spell out lots of ways to fight effectively for the policy changes we need. We can also enable you to host a slide show in your community on solutions to the climate crisis — presented by one of the 4,000 volunteers we have trained. Invite your friends and neighbors to come and then enlist them to join the cause.

Fourth, contact your local newspapers and television stations when they put out claptrap on climate — and let them know you're fed up with their stubborn and cowardly resistance to reporting the facts of this issue. One of the main reasons they are so wimpy and irresponsible about global warming is that they're frightened of the reaction they get from the deniers when they report the science objectively. So let them know that deniers are not the only ones in town with game. Stay on them! Don't let up! It's true that some media outlets are getting instructions from their owners on this issue, and that others are influenced by big advertisers, but many of them are surprisingly responsive to a genuine outpouring of opinion from their viewers and readers. It is way past time for the ref to do his job.

Finally, and above all, don't give up on the political system. Even though it is rigged by special interests, it is not so far gone that candidates and elected officials don't have to pay attention to persistent, engaged and committed individuals. President Franklin Roosevelt once told civil rights leaders who were pressing him for change that he agreed with them about the need for greater equality for black Americans. Then, as the story goes, he added with a wry smile, "Now go out and make me do it."

To make our elected leaders take action to solve the climate crisis, we must forcefully communicate the following message: "I care a lot about global warming; I am paying very careful attention to the way you vote and what you say about it; if you are on the wrong side, I am not only going to vote against you, I will work hard to defeat you — regardless of party. If you are on the right side, I will work hard to elect you."

Why do you think President Obama and Congress changed their game on "don't ask, don't tell?" It happened because enough Americans delivered exactly that tough message to candidates who wanted their votes. When enough people care passionately enough to drive that message home on the climate crisis, politicians will look at their hole cards, and enough of them will change their game to make all the difference we need.

This is not naive; trust me on this. It may take more individual voters to beat the Polluters and Ideologues now than it once did — when special-interest money was less dominant. But when enough people speak this way to candidates, and convince them that they are dead serious about it, change will happen — both in Congress and in the White House. As the great abolitionist leader Frederick Douglass once observed, "Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did, and it never will."

What is now at risk in the climate debate is nothing less than our ability to communicate with one another according to a protocol that binds all participants to seek reason and evaluate facts honestly. The ability to perceive reality is a prerequisite for self-governance. Wishful thinking and denial lead to dead ends. When it works, the democratic process helps clear the way toward reality, by exposing false argumentation to the best available evidence. That is why the Constitution affords such unique protection to freedom of the press and of speech.

The climate crisis, in reality, is a struggle for the soul of America. It is about whether or not we are still capable — given the ill health of our democracy and the current dominance of wealth over reason — of perceiving important and complex realities clearly enough to promote and protect the sustainable well-being of the many. What hangs in the balance is the future of civilization as we know it.

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EPA: Former EPA climate director Kruger discusses future of air rules, GHG reporting program

How will data from U.S. EPA's greenhouse gas reporting program change the game for industry? During today's OnPoint, Dina Kruger, principal at Kruger Environmental Strategies and the former director of EPA's climate change division, explains how the greenhouse gas reporting program, which is set to begin rolling out data at the end of this month, will affect business and public relations for participating industries. She also reacts to the Obama administration's rollback of ozone regulations.

Transcript

Monica Trauzzi: Hello and welcome to OnPoint. I'm Monica Trauzzi. Joining me today is Dina Kruger, principal at Kruger Environmental Strategies and the former director of EPA's Climate Change Division. Dina, it's great to have you here.

Dina Kruger: Nice to be here.

Monica Trauzzi: Dina, this month's decision by the Obama administration to roll back on ozone regulations has left many questions about the impact of regulations on the economy and also the future of these regulations and environmental rules. What's your take on the strategy behind the Obama administration's decision?

Dina Kruger: Well, I think that in this -- I mean in our current climate, our economic climate, we're really dealing with the challenge of can you do environmental protection and economic growth together? Now, I'm someone who believes that these two things can go hand in hand, but, as we know, there's a lot of people that don't hold that view. And I think that at the end of the day, I don't know why exactly the Obama administration made that decision, but they made a call that they were going to pull this one back. I mean I'm optimistic and hopeful that EPA is going to be able to continue forward with the other regulations that it's doing. There's a lot of really important steps that they've taken so far and I think they're on a good path.

Monica Trauzzi: There's some thinking that the ozone rule was probably the easiest one to roll back on. Is that your thinking as well?

Dina Kruger: Well, I don't know if it's the easiest, but I think that it was certainly a rule that, as the president said in his statement, that because there will be another -- there's a planned review of this ozone NACS coming up in 2013, it's not like there won't be another opportunity to move forward.

Monica Trauzzi: So, you left EPA in February after 22 years working there. With so much happening at EPA under Lisa Jackson, why did you feel compelled to leave at this time?

Dina Kruger: I really thoroughly enjoyed my time at EPA and I loved working for Administrator Jackson. We got a lot done. When I was there I was able to put out the greenhouse gas reporting rule and also manage the endangerment finding that we did. I just found after 22 years I think I was ready for change and I'm thoroughly enjoying my new opportunities as well. So, it was a good time to be there and a fine time to leave too.

Monica Trauzzi: And now you are working directly with companies and NGOs that are interested in some assistance on a Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program and we're going to start seeing data coming out of that program at the end of this month. What are the key challenges that you've encountered with these companies when it comes to preparing for the release of this data?

Dina Kruger: I think what we're finding, and the companies have been very engaged -- are very engaged in the program, but I think what we're finding is making sure that across all of the facilities that they have that they're operating consistently, that they're doing the same things for the same types of facilities, that they've got the right kind of documentation and keeping the records that they're supposed to be keeping. And then I think, as they have the data now in hand, that they have two opportunities and two challenges and to challenges with respect to how they move forward. One is understanding what it means, what they can learn from the data, from the emissions data and how they can understand sort of where their plants are fitting within their own company and within the sector and what opportunities they have to reduce emissions. And then also thinking forward about how their stakeholders are going to react when the emissions are made public by EPA.

Monica Trauzzi: There was some concern at one point about EPA potentially releasing confidential information. How have they come down on that?

Dina Kruger: Yeah, EPA put out a proposal back about a year ago and actually talked about how it was planning on dealing with confidential information and there was a lot of reaction from industry concerned that some of the data that EPA had said they thought they would release or would need to release was going to be confidential. EPA has since pulled back on that and is taking more time to work through these issues and to make sure that confidential information won't be released. So, at this point, with the information being reported at the end of this month, there aren't any problems with confidentiality.

Monica Trauzzi: Are there concerns from within the business community about how some of this data might be used, say by the media?

Dina Kruger: I haven't heard that there are major concerns, but I think that smart companies should be looking at their own data and trying to think forward about what kinds of questions or potential concerns could arise from the media, from investors, from environmental organizations, from local communities. I think that if they do that kind of planning now and they think about how they're going to explain what their emissions are and why they're emissions are where they are, they can be fully prepared.

Monica Trauzzi: So, from your experience, do companies, for the most part, feel it's fair to have to do this or is that kind of still up in the air?

Dina Kruger: From my-certainly my impression and my experience when I was working at EPA was we had really excellent engagement with-across a number of industry sectors. And this was a rule that the community seemed to like. They got their questions answered. EPA was very responsive and so I think that, at this point, there's a lot of support behind the rule. It's not a regulation. And nobody is required to install any control technology or reduce their emissions as a part of this rule.

Monica Trauzzi: But they may feel compelled to if their numbers appear higher.

Dina Kruger: Well, I think -- yeah, but I think that when -- the way to sort of look at that, most of the sectors that are reporting here, I mean the vast majority of the reporters are not in sectors that are on any kind of short list to be regulated, to have their greenhouse gas emissions regulated. So, I think what we're going to see is if the companies -- you know, presumably -- I would advise that the companies should be looking at their emissions and trying to see where they themselves have opportunities. Most of the CO2 emissions coming from these industries are from fuel combustion. So, if you can find efficiencies, you can reduce your fuel consumption and ideally save some money while you're doing that. I think that they should also be really listening to their stakeholders and trying to hear, you know, what kinds of questions they have and what sorts of concerns or suggestions do they have for moving forward. And then it's really going to be in the hands of each individual company to decide what makes sense to do, based on their own business model and where they are. So, it's not -- I think it should work, I think it has the potential to work really well for them.

Monica Trauzzi: And how does this program fit into the broader picture of regulation and all the regulations that we see coming out of EPA right now?

Dina Kruger: Well, I think this is a rule that certainly, as EPA moves forward, you know, in the future with greenhouse gas regulations or if Congress decides that it wants to do something to regulate greenhouse gases, this data is really going to be a foundation for the policymaking. I mean having a trend in emissions, understanding where they come from is going to be -- is a really critical piece and one that, prior to this rule, we didn't have in the United States.

Monica Trauzzi: OK, interesting stuff. Thank you for coming on the show, nice to see you.

Dina Kruger: Thank you.

Monica Trauzzi: And thanks for watching. We'll see you back here tomorrow.

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A 40th birthday to remember

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This month the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Clean Air Act celebrate their 40th birthday. On Dec. 2, EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson wrote an op-ed in the Wall Street Journal noting the benefits of the Clean Air Act have outweighed costs 40:1. Further, while the air quality drastically improved over the past 40 years the GDP grew 207 percent. In light of such achievements, all signs suggested the EPA and the administration would stand strong on air rules that would continue to save lives and money.

However, the compromise tax cut extension package announced earlier this week should have served as the true signal of what was to unfold. The tax cuts envisioned by President Obama and the Republican leadership will result in Bush-era tax benefits for CEOs of major polluting corporations and a \$30 billion extension of the Section 40 corn ethanol tax credit. Remarkably the tax benefits for polluters came at the expense of clean energy tax incentives like the extension of Section 1603 Convertible Renewable Tax Incentives of the Recovery Act. This tradeoff has devastating implications for the environment, emerging clean energy industries, job creation and America's competitiveness in the global market. It's estimated if Congress were to extend Section 1603 for two years, 65,000 jobs will be created in the solar industry alone.

Those benefiting from the tax cut extension likely include Massey Energy's outgoing top executive Don Blankenship (considered by some the Darth Vader of coal). According to the Associated Press, Mr. Blankenship earned \$17.9 million in 2009 and his retirement package totals \$12 million. Back in April Massey's failure to protect their workers resulted in 29 miners losing their lives. As tax day and the one-year anniversary of that event approaches, Mr. Blankenship will likely be enjoying his continued tax break.

Yesterday the EPA publicly requested for a 15-month extension of a court deadline on an air rule that would require a small universe of major polluters to clean up their smokestacks. This rule, the "Boiler Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT) rule," has been litigated for more than a decade. EPA's own assessment has shown that this air rule is estimated to save \$14 billion dollars in healthcare expenses and 5,000 lives annually just by a reduction in small particle pollution that gets lodged in people's lungs (this figure doesn't even include the benefits from capturing mercury, arsenic and lead). A 15-month delay could result in the loss of 6,250 lives and at least \$17.5 billion dollars in healthcare costs.

Today the EPA announced they want to delay a smog rule for the third time that would protect the health of millions until July citing they'd like to do more consultation with the EPA's Clean Air Science Advisory Committee (CASAC). The CASAC, comprised mostly of Bush appointees, has unequivocally stated that the current standards compromise human health and recommended more stringent standard. Public health organizations including the American Lung Association, American Medical Association, American Public Health Association and

Physicians for Social Responsibility support this scientifically-based standard. EPA was scheduled to finalize those standards back in October and have now signaled delay to July 29, 2011. In EPA's own statement about the rule, better standards would help prevent up to 12,000 premature deaths, 58,000 cases of aggravated asthma and save up to \$100 billion dollars in health costs annually. If averaged over the six month delay, that means up to 6,000 premature deaths, 29,000 aggravated asthma cases and \$50 million dollars in healthcare costs. So, in "celebration" of such major environmental milestones, we've got the Obama administration waffling on following through on major planks of the Obama campaign – assistance for the renewable energy sector and protecting the American public rather than corporate bottom lines. While more money remains in the pockets of CEOs of major polluting industries, the underfunded renewable energy sector continues to languish and the lives of American kids remain at risk from toxic air pollution.

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Even as it moves to delay major rules addressing ozone standards and industrial boilers, EPA may seek to delay additional measures to cope with likely cuts to its budget from the Republican-controlled House, the agency's top air official says, and is asking for more breathing room from litigants suing to enforce deadlines for issuance of rules.

Regina McCarthy, head of EPA's Office of Air & Radiation, told the agency's Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC) at a meeting in Arlington, VA, Jan. 12 that the agency is ready to ask the courts and stakeholders for additional time to complete rulemakings, in light of possible budget cuts. Republicans, now in the majority in the House, have already threatened to cut the agency's budget to 2008 levels, and many of them oppose EPA's regulatory efforts to curb greenhouse gases (GHGs), ozone and air toxics.

McCarthy underscored that both she and EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson have already met with House appropriators and their staff, and continue to do so "because you have got to do some education" on the value of EPA programs under threat from funding shortfalls for the benefit of new Congressmen in particular. "People have got to know what they are trying to stop, or encourage," she said.

In one example of such outreach, Jackson met with House Republican appropriator Steven LaTourette (OH) Jan. 7 to discuss amendments the lawmaker introduced to a spending bill in the last Congress to limit the agency's regulatory authority on GHGs, ozone standards and other issues. The amendments failed and no spending bill for fiscal year 2011 was passed, but the continuing resolution approved by the 111th Congress expires March 4, giving the Republican appropriators an early chance to press such measures again.

EPA's air office is especially vulnerable to budget cutting, McCarthy said. Republicans are hostile to several of the office's high profile programs, including GHG regulation for stationary and mobile sources, forthcoming stricter ozone standards and proposed air toxics rules for boilers.

McCarthy noted that in light of likely budget shortfalls and consequent delays in rulemakings, "flexibility that litigants give us is going to be very valuable."

Since EPA is already under a very large workload, extra time would be required to complete rulemakings, McCarthy said, although she did not specify which ones. The agency is already under fire from environmentalists for delaying its final 8-hour national ambient air quality standard for ozone from summer of 2010 to July this year, and for asking a federal court to delay the court-ordered deadline for its final maximum achievable control technology (MACT) standard for boilers by 15 months, from January 16 until April 13, 2012. EPA has suggested a new deadline of June 15 if the court refuses a 15-month delay.

EPA says it needs the boiler MACT delay in order to re-propose the rule to take into account new data and industry criticism. A judge on the U.S. Court Of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit said Jan 11 that the court will now take until Jan. 21 to decide whether to grant EPA's request for a delay. The

delay is opposed by environmentalist litigants who say the rule is years overdue.

McCarthy told panelists on the CAAAC that "fundamentally, we needed to make some changes in the proposal." As difficult as the boiler rulemaking is, "we will follow the science and follow the law," and therefore "we need time and we need a re-proposal."

Another high-profile rulemaking facing delay is EPA's GHG rule for the biomass sector under Clean Air Act best available control technology requirements. Jackson announced Jan. 12 that the agency will exclude biomass from its GHG permitting requirements for three years, pending a fresh consultation and rulemaking on the issue.

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**COAL ASH INDUSTRY ALLOWED TO EDIT EPA REPORTS
Reports to Congress, Brochures, "Fact Sheets" Tailored to Allay Industry Concerns**

Washington, DC — For years U.S. Environmental Protection Agency publications and reports about uses and dangers of coal combustion waste have been edited by coal ash industry representatives, according to EPA documents released today by Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility (PEER). Not surprisingly, the coal ash industry watered down official reports, brochures and fact-sheets to remove references to potential dangers and play up “environmental benefits” of a wide range of applications for coal combustion wastes – the same materials that EPA is currently deciding whether to classify as hazardous wastes following the disastrous December 2008 coal ash spill in Tennessee.

During the Bush administration, EPA entered into a formal partnership with the coal industry, most prominently, the American Coal Ash Association, to promote coal combustion wastes for industrial, agricultural and consumer product uses. This effort has helped grow a multi-billion dollar market which the industry worries would be crimped by a hazardous waste designation.

The documents obtained by PEER under the Freedom of Information Act show how this partnership gave the coal ash industry a chance to change a variety of EPA draft publications and presentations, including –

- Removal of “cautionary language” about application of coal combustion wastes on agricultural lands in an EPA brochure to be replaced with “exclamation point ! language” “re-affirming the environmental benefits...that reinforces the idea that FGD [flue gas desulfurization] gypsum is a good thing” in the word of an American Coal Ash Association representative;
- A draft of EPA’s 2007 Report to Congress caused industry to lobby for insertion of language about the need for “industry and EPA [to] work together” to weaken or block “state regulations [that] are hindering progress” for greater use of the coal combustion wastes; and
- EPA fact-sheets and PowerPoint presentations were altered at industry urging to delete significant references to certain potential “high risk” uses of coal combustion wastes.

“For most of the past decade, it appears that every EPA publication on the subject was ghostwritten by the American Coal Ash Association,” stated PEER Executive Director Jeff Ruch, who examined thousands of industry-EPA communications. “In this partnership it is clear that industry is EPA’s senior partner.”

This collaboration is not limited to publications, however. EPA staff also forewarned industry about conference calls and other intra-agency deliberations, such as growing concerns about “increased leaching of arsenic” from “increased use of fly ash” in order to let industry know

where to target its lobbying efforts. The working relationship is so close that a coal ash industry representative joked to EPA staff in an October 27, 2008 e-mail, referring to a news article about mercury contamination from coal ash:

“We are in bed with the EPA again, it looks, at least according to this article. The advocacy groups are well organized and have the ready ear of the press.”

“It is no joke – the terms of the coal ash partnership tucks EPA snugly into bed with industry for the purpose of marketing coal combustion wastes as a product,” Ruch added noting that the partnership is still in effect. “EPA is supposed to be an objective regulatory agency dedicated to protecting the public instead of protecting a gigantic subsidy for a powerful industry.”

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BYRD RESPONDS TO EPA GUIDELINES ON MINING PERMIT PROCESS

"Asked for 'clarity' of procedures to end uncertainty in coalfields"

Washington, DC – U.S. Senator Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., today responded to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) announcement of guidelines relating to water quality

issues and the mining permit process. Byrd has met and discussed with EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson on several occasions and has asked her to clarify and develop a clear set of parameters for issuing mining permits to end uncertainty in the coalfields.

“Today’s announcement will hopefully now have everyone reading off the same page.”

“I, along with other elected officials, coal operators, the mining community, and environmentalists from West Virginia have been asking for a clearer, concise policy on moving forward with mountaintop mining permits and water quality issues.”

“I am pleased that EPA Administrator Jackson took our concerns about the need to provide clarity very seriously and has responded with these guidelines.”

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EPA Administrator Jackson said, in announcing them, that, “Senator Byrd has often spoken about providing a clearer path for the future of coal...The steps we are taking today will help outline that clearer path.”

She also said the standards mean "no or very few valley fills."

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will Initiate Rulemaking Associated with Surface Coal

The Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works Jo-Ellen Darcy announced today that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will initiate regulatory rulemaking aimed at providing better environmental protection from the impacts of Appalachian surface coal mining.

The proposed rule change, reflecting an Administration change in policy, would expand the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) scope of analysis to include all of the effects of proposed surface coal "fills" on downstream aquatic resources, while ensuring that future mining operations remains consistent with the law.

This rulemaking implements, in part, a June 11, 2009, agreement between the Army, the Department of the Interior (DOI), and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in which the agencies committed to developing the authorities and procedures to determine whether regulatory modifications should be proposed to address environmental and public health concerns associated with surface coal mining in Appalachia.

"Today's announcement is a major step in the direction of fulfilling this commitment. The Corps will work closely with EPA and DOI to coordinate its rulemaking effort with other administration initiatives that are focused on protecting aquatic resources from the adverse environmental impacts of surface coal mining."

Results of the Corps' rulemaking effort will be published in the Federal Register during the public comment process.

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EPA Budget Hearings to Serve as Battleground for Climate Policies

By ROBIN BRAVENDER of Greenwire

U.S. EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson will defend the White House's request to increase funds for climate regulations when she testifies before House and Senate panels this week.

Jackson will testify tomorrow before the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee and will appear Wednesday at the House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee to discuss President Obama's \$10 billion budget request for EPA.

The fiscal 2011 request would cut the agency's total funding by about \$300 million from 2010 levels while allotting \$56 million -- including \$43 million in new funding -- for regulatory programs to curb greenhouse gas emissions (Greenwire, Feb. 1).

The recommended boost comes as EPA prepares to regulate stationary and mobile emissions of greenhouse gases an effort that has drawn the ire of many Republican and some Democratic lawmakers who say EPA climate rules will cripple the already struggling economy.

GOP lawmakers -- some of whom have been vocal critics of the Obama administration's climate policies -- are likely to use this week's budget hearings to blast the proposed spending levels.

"When the president released his EPA budget proposal, he proved that jobs aren't really his top priority," Sen. John Barrasso (R-Wyo.) said Friday in a statement. Barrasso, ranking member of the EPW Oversight Subcommittee, has been one of the Senate's leading critics of EPA climate rules.

"The more money the EPA receives, the more power it will exert to issue job-killing regulations for small businesses and other employers," Barrasso added. "If the administration is serious about addressing unemployment and reducing the deficit, it will decrease the size of the EPA."

Last year, a host of lawmakers sought to use the EPA budget as a vehicle to handcuff the agency's ability to implement new climate rules. And as EPA prepares to roll out its first climate rules next month, lawmakers are expected to pursue similar tactics.

Rep. Earl Pomeroy (D-N.D.) -- who has introduced a bill to strip EPA of its authority to regulate greenhouse gas emissions -- said earlier this month that he will fight during the appropriations process to remove any funding that would go toward curbing the heat-trapping emissions.

But Jackson and Democratic lawmakers are expected to staunchly defend the draft budget.

"The president's 2011 budget is a responsible strategy," given the economic challenges facing the country, Jackson told reporters earlier this month. "There's no moving away from a commitment to a greener, more sustainable economy, and the work EPA does is the backbone of that" (E&ENews PM, Feb. 1).

Senate Interior Appropriations Subcommittee Chairwoman Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) and state regulators have endorsed the White House proposal to ramp up funding for programs to curb greenhouse gas emissions (E&E Daily, Feb. 2).

Some Republicans may also challenge the overall size of EPA's budget. Rep. Mike Simpson (R-Idaho), ranking member of the House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee, last month called for cuts in some areas of the federal budget, particularly at EPA, which received a 36 percent boost in fiscal 2010 over 2009 levels (E&E Daily, Jan. 27).

Simpson added that, given the administration's agenda, he expects "that they will do all they can to protect the climate change money."

Climate, air programs

Of the president's requested \$56 million for climate regulatory programs, \$25 million would aid states as they begin to account for greenhouse gases in New Source Review and operating permits; \$7 million would go toward developing New Source Performance Standards to curb greenhouse gases from major stationary sources; \$6 million would be used to implement EPA's pending greenhouse gas standards for automobiles and developing other mobile source regulations; and \$5 million would be used to develop the best available practices and technologies for controlling emissions.

Obama also requested \$21 million to implement the agency's greenhouse gas reporting rule, which requires large facilities to monitor their emissions this year. That marks a \$4 million boost from fiscal 2010 levels. EPA plans to begin making that data publicly available by June 15, 2011.

The administration also pledged to protect air quality by working to attain national standards for ozone, particulate matter and other criteria pollutants, and to reduce regional haze by slashing regional transport of pollutants. EPA will also continue to develop and issue national technology-based and risk-based standards to reduce toxic air pollutants emitted by industrial facilities and urban sources.

Water programs

The president proposed a cut for the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds, which finance state and local clean water projects. The funds would get a total of \$3.3 billion, down from \$3.5 billion in the fiscal 2010 spending bill. The number still would be more than double what the programs received in fiscal 2009.

Great Lakes cleanup efforts would receive \$300 million, down from \$425 million in fiscal 2010, to continue projects to clean up contaminated sediments and toxic chemicals, fend off invasive species and curb pollution and habitat degradation. That program still has money left over from last year's allocations, Jackson said.

Chesapeake Bay restoration would get \$63 million under the proposal, up from \$50 million in fiscal 2010. Obama has marked the ecosystem for extra federal attention, issuing an executive order in May calling for a more serious cleanup effort.

The budget proposes \$17 million in new funding for the Mississippi River Basin. EPA and the Agriculture Department would use the money to target pollution runoff from farms in an effort to reduce nutrient pollution that contributes to the severely oxygen-depleted "dead zone" in the Gulf of Mexico.

Science, toxics cleanup

Obama proposed to cut the Brownfields Economic Development Initiative, which the White House said was duplicative of other programs. Instead, the budget proposes funding larger brownfield cleanup efforts, providing \$138 million for fiscal 2011, \$38 million more than Congress approved last year.

Cash for Superfund would decrease slightly from \$1.31 billion in fiscal 2010 to \$1.29 billion in the White House proposal. Funding for EPA's Office of Inspector General would remain roughly level at \$46 million, a slight increase from last year's \$45 million, as would money for EPA's leaking underground storage tank cleanup, which would receive \$113 million.

Science and technology funding would see a slight boost in fiscal 2011, from \$846 million in 2010 to \$847 million. Part of the funding would be slated for land preservation and restoration, with research focused on contaminated sediments in groundwater and the fate of nanomaterials in the environment. Funding would also be directed to the agency's healthy communities research agenda, focusing on mercury, pesticides and toxic chemicals, and nanotechnology, as well as broader human health research and risk assessments.

Senate schedule: The Senate EPW hearing is tomorrow at 10 a.m. in 406 Dirksen.

House schedule: The House Interior and Environment Appropriations Subcommittee hearing is Wednesday at 2 p.m. in B-308 Rayburn.

Witness: EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson.

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MONTCOAL, W.Va. -- A huge underground explosion blamed on methane gas killed 25 coal miners in the worst U.S. mining disaster in more than two decades.

Four others were missing Tuesday, their chances of survival dimming as rescuers were held back by poison gases that accumulated near the blast site, about 1.5 miles from the entrance to Massey Energy Co.'s sprawling Upper Big Branch mine.

The mine, about 30 miles south of Charleston, has a significant history of safety violations, including 57 infractions just last month for (among other things) not properly ventilating the highly combustible methane.

ABC News [reported](#):

The federal records catalog the problems at the Upper Big Branch mine, operated by the Performance Coal Company. They show the company was fighting many of the steepest fines, or simply refusing to pay them. Performance is a subsidiary of Massey Energy. [...]

The nation's sixth biggest mining company by production, Massey Energy took in \$24 million in net income in the fourth quarter of 2009. The company paid what was then the largest financial settlement in the history of the coal industry for the 2006 fire at the Aracoma mine, also in West Virginia. The fire trapped 12 miners. Two suffocated as they looked for a way to escape. Aracoma later admitted in a plea agreement that two permanent ventilation controls had been removed in 2005 and not replaced, according to published reports.

Rescuers on Tuesday had to bulldoze an access road above it so they could begin drilling three shafts over 1,000 feet each to release methane and carbon monoxide that chased them from the mine after the blast Monday afternoon, Gov. Joe Manchin said at an early morning news briefing Tuesday. Drilling and ensuring rescuers can safely go in could take up to 12 hours, meaning the search was unlikely to resume before 6 p.m. Tuesday.

"It's going to be a long day and we're not going to have a lot of information until we can get the first hole through," Manchin said.

Story continues below +

It had already been a long day for grieving relatives, some angry because they found out their loved ones were among the dead from government officials or a company Web site, not from Massey Energy executives.

"They're supposed to be a big company," said Michelle McKinney, whose father, 62-year-old Benny R. Willingham, died in the blast. She found out from a local official at a school near the mine. "These guys, they took a chance every day to work and make them big. And they couldn't even call us."

McKinney said her husband is a miner too and her 16-year-old son doesn't want him to go back to work. Willingham, who had mined for 30 years, the last 17 with Massey, was just five weeks from retiring and planned to take his wife on a cruise to the Virgin Islands next month.

"Benny was the type – he probably wouldn't have stayed retired long," said his sister-in-law, Sheila Prillaman said. "He wasn't much of a homebody."

Meanwhile, others waited for word about missing loved ones. Kevin Stricklin, an administrator for the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration, said the situation looked grim.

"All we have left is hope, and we're going to continue to do what we can," he said.

Officials hoped the four miners still unaccounted for were able to reach airtight chambers stocked with food, water and enough oxygen for them to live for four days, but rescue teams checked one of two such chambers nearby and it was empty. The buildup of gases prevented teams from reaching other chambers, officials said.

A total of 31 miners were in the area during a shift change when the explosion rocked the mine.

"Before you knew it, it was just like your ears stopped up, you couldn't hear and the next thing you know, it's just like you're just right in the middle of a tornado," miner Steve Smith, who heard the explosion but was able to escape, told ABC's "Good Morning America."

Some of those killed may have died in the blast and others when they breathed in the gas-filled air, Stricklin said. Eleven bodies had been recovered and identified, but the other 14 have not.

Names weren't released publicly, but Manchin said three of the dead are members of the same family.

He said investigators still don't know what ignited the blast, but methane likely played a part.

The death toll is the highest in a U.S. mine since 1984, when 27 died in a fire at Emery Mining Corp.'s mine in Orangeville, Utah. If the four missing bring the total to 29, it would be the most killed in a U.S. mine since a 1970 explosion killed 38 at Finley Coal Co., in Hyden, Ky.

"There's always danger. There's so many ways you can get hurt, or your life taken," said Gary Williams, a miner and pastor of New Life Assembly, a church near the southern West Virginia mine. "It's not something you dread every day, but there's always that danger. But for this area, it's the only way you're going to make a living."

Though the situation looked bleak, Manchin said miracles can happen and pointed to the 2006 Sago Mine explosion that killed 12. Crews found miner Randal McCloy Jr. alive after he was trapped for more than 40 hours in an atmosphere poisoned with carbon monoxide.

In Monday's blast, nine miners were leaving on a vehicle that takes them in and out of the mine's long shaft when a crew ahead of them felt a blast of air and went back to investigate, Stricklin said.

They found seven workers dead. Others were hurt or missing about a mile and a half inside the mine, though there was some confusion over how many. Others made it out.

Massey Energy, a publicly traded company based in Richmond, Va., has 2.2 billion tons of coal reserves in southern West Virginia, eastern Kentucky, southwest Virginia and Tennessee. It ranks among the nation's top five coal producers and is among the industry's most profitable. It has a spotty safety record.

In the past year, federal inspectors fined the company more than \$382,000 for repeated serious violations involving its ventilation plan and equipment at Upper Big Branch.

ABC News has also documented the [highly controversial relationship](#) between Massey Energy CEO Don Blankenship and a local judge who has refused to recuse himself from cases involving Massey Energy despite long fundraising and personal ties between the two men. In 2004, Blankenship physically resisted an ABC reporter trying to ask him about the matter. WATCH:

Methane is one of the great dangers of coal mining, and federal records say the Eagle coal seam releases up to 2 million cubic feet of methane gas into the Upper Big Branch mine every 24 hours, which is a large amount, said Dennis O'Dell, health and safety director for the United Mine Workers labor union.

In mines, giant fans are used to keep the colorless, odorless gas concentrations below certain levels. If concentrations are allowed to build up, the gas can explode with a spark roughly similar

to the static charge created by walking across a carpet in winter, as at the Sago mine, also in West Virginia.

Since then, federal and state regulators have required mine operators to store extra oxygen supplies. Upper Big Branch uses containers that can generate about an hour of breathable air, and all miners carry a container on their belts besides the stockpiles inside the mine. Upper Big Branch has had three other fatalities in the last dozen years.

Upper Big Branch has 19 openings and roughly 7-foot ceilings. Inside, it's crisscrossed with railroad tracks used for hauling people and equipment. It is located in a mine-laced swath of Raleigh and Boone counties that is the heart of West Virginia's coal country.

The seam produced 1.2 million tons of coal in 2009, according to the mine safety agency, and has about 200 employees.

"The federal Mine Safety and Health Administration will investigate this tragedy, and take action," U.S. Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis said in a statement. "Miners should never have to sacrifice their lives for their livelihood."

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Details of climate bill trickle out - POLITICO.com

By: Lisa Lerer

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Details are beginning to leak out about the climate bill, after weeks of closed-door negotiations among key Senate lawmakers and staff. Sens. John Kerry (D-Mass.), Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.) and Joe Lieberman (I-Conn.) spent the past week presenting an eight-page outline of the bill to key business groups, including the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the American Petroleum Institute, which have indicated tentative support for the legislation. But the bill provides a weaker cap on greenhouse gas emissions than many environmentalists had hoped. And it's chock-full of sweeteners for coal, oil, offshore drilling and nuclear power — energy sources viewed with some skepticism in the environmental community but seen as key to picking up the votes of a handful of moderate Republicans. “We’re not restricting our pool of potential votes to only Democrats,” said Kerry. Those types of trade-offs, lawmakers said, are necessary to build the political support to move the bill through the Senate. “We don’t have 60 votes to pass a strong global warming bill,” Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) said. “The choice I suspect Sen. Kerry is wrestling with is whether it’s better to do something or nothing.” On Tuesday, the three members briefed a group of lawmakers who’ve spent months working on the various iterations of the bill. They hope to send a draft of their proposal to the Environmental Protection Agency by the end of this week. The agency needs six to eight weeks to do an economic analysis of the bill, according to administration officials. Graham told POLITICO that the proposal mirrors the Markey-Waxman legislation that passed the House last June by putting an economywide cap on greenhouse gas emissions starting in 2012 — with the goal of reducing pollution 17 percent by 2020 and 80 percent by 2050. But unlike the House bill, the Senate proposal puts different kinds of limits on different industries. Separate caps are put on utilities and manufacturers that will have to buy and trade pollution allowances from the government, according to people briefed on the bill. A “hard collar” is put on the price of the allowances to prevent them from dropping below \$10 per ton. If the price exceeds more than \$30 per ton, the government will flood the market from a strategic reserve of 4 billion credits. The price is indexed to inflation and increases at a set rate.

Manufacturers will be phased into the cap by 2016 to give fossil-fuel-intensive industries such as paper, aluminum and steel time to adjust to the new system. In a letter he sent to Kerry earlier this month, Sen. Carl Levin (D-Mich.) asked that the cap be delayed at least 10 years for manufacturers.

The legislation also tries to protect those industries from foreign competition by levying a “carbon tariff” on imports of goods from countries, such as China and India, that do not regulate emissions. The proposal was drafted by manufacturing-state Democrats, who refused to support the legislation unless it protected trade-sensitive industries from foreign competition.

The three lawmakers also accepted a proposal backed by big oil companies that will impose a carbon tax on gasoline to be passed along to consumers at the pump. The fee will be linked to the market price of carbon emissions bought and traded by utilities and other industries. The legislation also pre-empts separate state limits on emissions caps. Lawmakers said the pre-emption, opposed by some environmental groups, is necessary to give business greater certainty. “Business can’t live with 50 different standards,” said Graham. “I couldn’t support 50 states coming up with their own standards.” Environmental groups have also expressed concerns about support in the legislation for new coal technologies, nuclear power and offshore drilling. Sen. John Rockefeller (D-W.Va.) wants to include \$20 billion for carbon capture and sequestration — technology aimed at controlling greenhouse gas emissions from coal-fired power plants. And Republicans are pushing to include nuclear power under a renewable-energy standard in the bill. “If the stuff that Kerry, Graham and Lieberman are doing had been a Bush administration initiative, every environmentalist and every progressive in America would denounce it as a sellout to special interests,” said Frank O’Donnell, president of the advocacy group Clean Air Watch. One particularly contentious proposal offers coastal states that agree to offshore drilling a greater portion of the resulting royalties. The proposal is strongly backed by moderate Republicans and oil state Democrats, who said it is key to gaining their support. But liberal Democrats fiercely oppose it. Last summer, Sen. Bill Nelson (D-Fla.) threatened to filibuster any energy bill that expanded drilling in the Gulf of Mexico.

“It is clear to me that we’re not going to get a major bill done unless we have broader support,” said Sen. Ben Cardin (D-Md.), who opposes drilling off his state’s shores. “But there’s more than one way to get something done.”

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The call took place. The comments from Jared Bernstein and Carol were on-the-record but are embargoed until midnight EST. The focus was on jobs. They talked about the usual issues, including the cash for caulkers program, home retrofits, etc.

The one question that came up about EPA was, "How does the EPA endangerment finding impact the legislative agenda and cap-n-trade?"

Carol responded -- she said the president remains committed to getting comprehensive energy legislation through the Congress -- the marketplace and American people need certainty -- EPAZ had a responsibility under the Supreme Court decision to look at the science and to make a determination. Administrator Jackson and her folks did exactly what they were required to do. **If legislation is not enacted, EPA would have to follow through under the requirements of the Clean Air Act** . We have seen other senators now stepping forward, including Kerry and Graham, to form an interesting bipartisan coalition. We'll continue to work with them as well as any other senators that want to craft a comprehensive bill.

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December 14, 2009

Attached is the memorandum referenced during today's conference call on Clean Energy Progress held by Chief Economic Adviser to the Vice President Jared Bernstein and Director of the White House Office of Energy and Climate Change Policy Carol Browner. The memorandum is from the Vice President to the President on the administration's progress in building a clean energy economy through the Recovery Act and other initiatives. The memo was produced at the request of the Vice President by the White House Office of Energy and Climate Change, the Office of the Vice President, the Council of Economic Advisors and the Department of Energy. The attached memorandum and the conference call is **embargoed until midnight EST**.

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White House affirms opposition to EPA riders in spending bill

By Andrew Restuccia and Ben Geman - 03/31/11 12:17 PM ET

The White House restated its opposition Thursday to GOP spending bill riders that would thwart administration environmental policies, comments that come amid rising fear among green groups that a budget deal could block climate change rules.

“As the administration has made clear, the funding bill should not be used to further unrelated policy agendas, and we remain opposed to riders that do that, including as it relates to the environment,” said Clark Stevens, a White House spokesman.

The House GOP’s fiscal year 2011 spending plan would block funding for the Environmental Protection Agency’s implementation of greenhouse-gas rules, as well as rules to curb mercury and other emissions from cement kilns, and for federal policies related to mountaintop removal mining, among others.

Environmental groups were dismayed by an Associated Press [report](#) Wednesday evening that the White House would accept some GOP plans to restrict EPA as part of a final spending deal. The story cited an anonymous Democratic lawmaker familiar with spending talks between the White House and Congress.

A suite of environmental groups called on the White House Thursday to stand firm against provisions that would thwart EPA.

"We would like the president and the White House to send a very clear, unequivocal message on where the president stands," Natural Resources Defense Council spokesman Ed Chen told The Hill. "What we want him to say is, 'No riders, period.' We want him and members of Congress to stand up and defend public health and our health."

League of Conservation Voters President Gene Karpinski raised similar concerns.

“President Obama should squash any rumors and make crystal clear that he would veto a continuing resolution that includes riders to block the EPA from protecting public health and holding polluters accountable,” Karpinski said.

The Sierra Club, the National Wildlife Federation and the Environmental Defense Fund also called on the White House to stand up against the GOP plans as the spending talks near

endgame. Chen's comments and the other green-group statements were issued before Stevens's comment.

The House approved a spending bill, H.R. 1, in February to fund the government through the end of the fiscal year. The bill, which would cut \$61 billion from current spending levels, would also block funding for EPA climate regulations through the end of September and slash the agency's budget by \$3 billion.

Since the passage of the House spending bill, lawmakers have been trying to come up with a compromise on the measure. Lawmakers on the House and Senate Appropriations panels [have set a goal](#) of cutting \$33 billion in spending, although House Speaker John Boehner cautioned Thursday that the figure is [not a done deal](#).

But the status of key policy riders in the final compromise package remains unclear.

Sen. Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.) said Wednesday that he will [not accept](#) the EPA riders as part of the final spending package.

And an aide to a Democratic senator that opposes stripping EPA's power to curb greenhouse gases added, "We will not accept any EPA riders on the CR, despite the fact the White House has been MIA on this fight — they are sitting back expecting Senate Democrats to carry the water to defend their own agency."

Meanwhile, nearly 20 Democrats [called on Obama Wednesday](#) to reject any spending plan that includes policy riders aimed at the EPA.

But the White House was hesitant Wednesday to explicitly say that they would veto a spending package that includes policy riders.

"The position was that we do not believe that this is the proper place to insert ideologically driven agenda items or politically driven agenda items, that those debates can happen outside this process," White House press secretary Jay Carney said at the daily briefing when asked to clarify the president's position on the issue.

Asked if the president would veto a package with riders, Carney said, "[A] rider could be something that declares apple pie the favorite dessert in America. The issue here is the kind of politically charged, contentious issue that can derail this train that needs to get to the station so that the government is funded"

Carney then pointed reporters to Obama's statement of administration policy on H.R. 1., which addresses the issue only in broad terms.

Here's the relevant section:

"[T]he Administration does not support deep cuts that will undermine our ability to out-educate, out-build, and out-innovate the rest of the world. The unbalanced bill would undermine the

Nation's economic recovery and its ability to succeed in a complex global environment. If the President is presented with a bill that undermines critical priorities or national security through funding levels or restrictions, contains earmarks, or curtails the drivers of long-term economic growth and job creation while continuing to burden future generations with deficits, the President will veto the bill."

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New Report Shows Electric Sector Able to Manage Tighter Environmental Standards

Lead North American reliability organization report finds prompt action and proper planning can ensure proposed EPA regulations are implemented without impacting electric system reliability

CONCORD, Mass.--([BUSINESS WIRE](#))--The Clean Energy Group's Clean Air Policy Initiative, a coalition of electric power companies, released the following statement today regarding the North American Electric Reliability Corporation's (NERC's) new report on the reliability impacts of complying with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) clean air rules:

“The NERC assessment affirms that the electric power industry can maintain electric system reliability while improving our air quality and protecting public health”

“The NERC assessment affirms that the electric power industry can maintain electric system reliability while improving our air quality and protecting public health,” said Michael Bradley, Executive Director of the Clean Energy Group. “NERC highlights the many industry and regulatory tools available to ensure reliability while the nation transitions to a cleaner generating fleet, including: careful timing of outages to install pollution control equipment, bringing new resources online, increased utilization of existing clean generation capacity, transmission system upgrades, and investing in demand-side management and energy efficiency.”

The NERC report supports many of the themes raised in a recent reliability report by M.J. Bradley & Associates LLC (MJB&A) and Sue Tierney and Paul Hibbard from the Analysis Group, which found that the electric power industry has a range of tools available to ensure that the human health benefits of EPA's air pollution regulations are achieved without affecting electric system reliability.

“The industry and its regulators welcome the release of NERC's reliability assessment,” said Sue Tierney, former Massachusetts state regulator, Department of Energy official, and a lead author of the previous reliability report. “Understanding the potential implications of EPA's forthcoming rulemakings is critical for developing good public policy and a coordinated response by federal agencies and state regulators. The industry has a strong track record of dealing with upcoming changes in ways that avoid reliability issues. Such proactive steps, including vibrant market responses, are not baked into the NERC outlook and can do the job in avoiding the concerns that NERC identifies.”

The NERC report evaluates a series of electric sector regulations proposed under the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, which will control cooling water intake, emissions of toxic air pollutants, sulfur dioxide (SO₂) and nitrogen oxides (NO_x), and coal ash disposal. To assess the range of electric system impacts, NERC analyzed a “Moderate Case”, which models the most plausible outcome of the new regulations, and a “Strict Case” representing more stringent and far less likely outcomes and higher compliance costs.

Of the four selected EPA rules, NERC finds that the Section 316(b) cooling water intake structures rule has the greatest potential impact on generation reserve margins. This is also the rule for which EPA has the most discretion in timing and scope of implementation. EPA’s air pollution rules—the utility MACT rule and the Transport Rule—are projected to have relatively modest impacts on projected retirements. For example, NERC projects that the EPA Transport Rule may result in the retirement of 5 coal-fired units (538 MW) by 2013 and 18 coal-fired units (2,740 MW) by 2015, assuming that EPA allows the flexibility of emissions trading. This is a moderate level of retirements given the industry’s demonstrated ability to bring new capacity resources on-line in a compressed period, having added more than 160,000 MW of new capacity between 2001 and 2003.

The reliability assessment prepared by MJB&A and Sue Tierney is available at http://www.mjbradley.com/news_20100809_00.html.

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GOP Senator Considering Rider to Limit EPA Authority on Greenhouse Gases

By ROBIN BRAVENDER AND NOELLE STRAUB of [ClimateWire](#)

Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) may attempt to handcuff U.S. EPA's ability to regulate stationary sources of greenhouse gases with an amendment to the agency's annual spending bill.

Murkowski, ranking member of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, may introduce an [amendment](#) (pdf) to the fiscal 2010 Interior and environment appropriations bill that would allow EPA to regulate greenhouse gas emissions only from mobile sources, and prohibit the agency from regulating heat-trapping emissions from stationary sources like power plants and industrial facilities.

"Senator Murkowski is concerned about the economic consequences of EPA command-and-control regulation of emissions," said spokesman Robert Dillon. The senator plans to file the amendment, Dillon said, adding that he did not know whether a decision has been made to press for a vote.

The Senate began debate yesterday on the \$32.1 billion spending bill for the Interior Department, EPA and Forest Service. The chamber is expected to resume consideration of the measure Monday.

Murkowski's amendment comes as EPA works to finalize its "endangerment finding," which would trigger broad regulations of greenhouse gas emissions. The endangerment finding comes in response to the 2007 *Massachusetts v. EPA* Supreme Court decision that ordered EPA to reconsider whether greenhouse gases are pollutants subject to regulation under the Clean Air Act.

Murkowski wants to fully respect the court's decision on mobile sources, Dillon said, which is why the amendment would "request a one-year timeout on money that would be spent on regulation of nonmobile sources." The moratorium would give Congress a year to come up with a legislative solution, he said.

Environmentalists assailed the amendment, saying it would basically instruct EPA to ignore the law.

"This amendment suggests that if global warming pollution comes from a power plant, it is safe, but if it comes from a car, it is harmful," said David Moulton, director of climate policy and conservation funding at the Wilderness Society. "That is a preposterous distinction that cannot be supported in either law or fact."

Frank O'Donnell, president of Clean Air Watch called the amendment "an outrageous assault on EPA's ability to interpret the Supreme Court decision."

Opponents said the amendment was particularly troubling given that it comes from a senator whose state is among the areas that could be hardest hit by climate change.

"From a senator who has talked about how her state is ground zero for climate change impacts, it is disappointing to see a move like this," said David Doniger, policy director of the Natural Resources Defense Council's climate center.

Doniger also said he feared that the amendment could wind up handcuffing EPA for more than one year. "These riders have a way of repeating themselves and becoming long-term," he said.

The tactic is not a new one. Republicans, led by then-Rep. Joseph Knollenberg (R-Mich.), successfully included language in several EPA spending bills in the late 1990s that blocked the agency from implementing any part of the Kyoto Protocol.

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San Jose Mercury New

Boxer could face re-election fight of her career against Fiorina

[By Mike Zapler](#)

Democrat Barbara Boxer's quest for a fourth term in the U.S. Senate may give Californians a chance to pass judgment on Washington in the Obama era: Do voters approve of the early performance of the Democratic president and Congress? Or is it time to restore more power to Republicans, in this case to a controversial former Silicon Valley CEO making her first run for elective office?

What looks increasingly likely is that Boxer will be in for the re-election fight of her career. While she has yet to announce her candidacy, all signs point to a run by Republican Carly Fiorina, the charismatic ex-chief of Hewlett-Packard who was ousted from her job in 2005 and last year served as a top surrogate for John McCain's presidential bid.

Fiorina would bring a combination of traits to the race never faced before by Boxer: She is a woman with the wherewithal to pump millions of her own dollars into her candidacy and probably raise millions more from others. And historically, the election after a president first takes office has not been kind to the party in charge at the White House. Exhibit A is 1994, when Democrats lost control of Congress halfway into President Bill Clinton's first term.

In this case, analysts say, the 2010 California Senate election is expected to be at least partly a referendum on the policies of Obama and the Democratic Congress — from health care to immigration to climate change. And as chairman of the Senate committee shaping global warming legislation in the coming months, Boxer will have little distance from the president — for better or worse.

As Obama's fortunes go over the next 14 months, in other words, so might Boxer's.

"Like almost any Democrat, she carries the burden of the party that controls the White House and Congress and the voters' pleasure, or lack thereof, in what the Democratic majority

produces," said Jennifer Duffy, senior editor of the nonpartisan Cook Political Report. "And as the Senate takes up climate change, Boxer is in something of a hot seat as chairman of the committee. That could be a blessing and a curse."

Those uncertainties notwithstanding, Boxer enters the race a solid favorite, Duffy and others say. With three terms under her belt in the Senate — going on 18 years — Boxer, 68, is both a known quantity and a staunch Democrat in a state with a growing Democratic voter edge.

She is also known as an aggressive fundraiser and campaigner and will no doubt take the fight to Fiorina, 54, whose business career and personal background have never been subjected to the scrutiny of a statewide political campaign.

During last year's presidential race, Fiorina remarked that she is personally anti-abortion and defended companies, including H-P, that sent jobs overseas to take advantage of lower taxes. She was also forced to answer questions about the severance package she received — worth tens of millions of dollars — when she was ousted at H-P in 2005 after a stormy six-year run at the iconic Silicon Valley company.

Fiorina can expect questions about those issues, and many others, to rise to a crescendo if she jumps in the race. Boxer's camp already is characterizing Fiorina's views as "right wing."

"I've heard Carly Fiorina described as a moderate, but on a woman's right to choose, (she) is out of step with most California voters," said Rose Kapolczynski, Boxer's campaign consultant.

An aide to Fiorina declined to comment on anything related to a possible campaign other than to say that the former HP chief is seriously considering running, as she has been for months. Fiorina has put off a decision as she receives treatment for breast cancer, with which she was diagnosed earlier this year. She is reportedly recovering well.

Boxer is not without her own question marks. A staunch liberal, she appeals mainly to the Democratic base — rarely have her approval ratings topped 50 percent since she was first elected senator in 1993, according to the California Field Poll.

Other factors do not bode well for Boxer. A fierce critic of George W. Bush, she won't have the former president to kick around anymore. On the flip side, Obama will not be atop the ticket to boost Democratic turnout. And the type of bare-knuckle campaigning Boxer has embraced in the past against male opponents may be trickier to pull off against Fiorina. (Republican state Assemblyman Chuck DeVore has already entered the Senate race but likely would be overwhelmed by Fiorina's fundraising advantage.)

At a more fundamental level, political analysts say Fiorina almost certainly would be a more formidable challenger than Boxer has faced before.

The senator "has been somewhat fortunate in the past in drawing candidates who are ... often too conservative" for California's left-of-center electorate, said Bruce Cain, director of the UC

Washington Center. "That has allowed her to win her races without a great deal of trouble."

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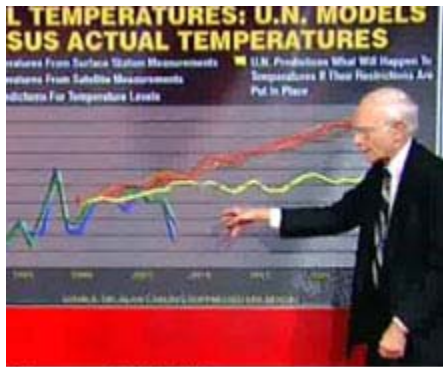
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Worth reading.

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 Talking Points Memo


EPA economist Al Carlin

Climate Skeptic: "I Was Hoping People At EPA Would Pay Attention To My Work"

By Zachary Roth - July 1, 2009, 8:43AM

Conservatives are jumping up and down over a report by an EPA analyst expressing skepticism about climate change, which they praise because it didn't conform to Obama administration orthodoxy on global warming. The story has sparked explosive coverage in conservative outlets, that the EPA censored scientific data for political reasons. And Monday, Sen. James Inhofe (R-OK) **called for** an official investigation.

But it's hard to blame EPA for not paying much attention to the study. And it's more than a little ironic that DC Republican Sen. James Inhofe is the standard-bearer in the defense of pure science against politics. Because the author, EPA veteran Al Carlin, is an economist, not a scientist, the agency solicited the report. And Carlin appears to have taken up the global warming topic largely as a hobby on his own time. **Carlin** **called** the report -- whose existence was **first publicized last week** by the industry-funded Competitive Enterprise Institute (CEI). Carlin, in a **reviewed** web pages, an unhealthy dose of sunstroke, a dash of astrology and more cherries than you can poke a cocktail stick into.

Still, the report's author, veteran agency economist Al Carlin, doesn't sound happy with the way things played out. In an interview, he praised some of the extraordinary effort he put into the study, and lamented the fact that, over the years, a series of skeptical climate-change reports, including one from a major initiative, he said -- have consistently been overlooked by higher-ups at the agency. "I was hoping that people at EPA would pay attention to my work. I haven't seen too much evidence of that."

Carlin, who said he joined the EPA three months after its founding in 1971, explained that, despite working as an economist, he had been doing research on issues of climate-change science for the last five or six years at the Environmental Economics (NCEE), he'd been doing research on issues of climate-change science for the last five or six years.

of this work -- which can be found on his [personal website](#) -- advocates an approach to addressing global warming which he would actually work, and it would cost three to five orders of magnitude less" than regulating carbon dioxide, he said.

True, the studies he's produced were "not specifically commissioned by the EPA," Carlin conceded. But he said his boss at that they've been published, though "not all in academic journals."

The recent controversy first emerged last week, when CEI [released emails](#) exchanged between Carlin and his bosses, conceivably in response to an EPA document on global warming. Carlin explained to TPMuckraker that EPA had circulated a draft of a report that found a finding concluded that global warming is indeed a danger to mankind and should be regulated, and, in keeping with standard EPA agency staff.

It's unclear whether Carlin was supposed to be a member of the working group of staffers whose input on the document was sought, since he was included on emails about the document, and invited to meetings on the issue. But the EPA subsequently

The topic at hand also may have strayed a bit from his core expertise. Carlin described the report he ultimately produced as "not strictly economics." Carlin is an economics PhD, but he described himself as "somewhat unique, in that I have a background in both economics and physics, citing an undergraduate degree in physics from the California Institute of Technology. "I've always sort of been on the boundary," he said.

Asked whether it was common for EPA staffers to prepare reports on subjects outside the area for which they're officially responsible, Carlin said it was "normal." But, he said it is done. And he added: "The important thing is from a federal bureaucratic viewpoint, I'm equally

In any case, Carlin felt strongly when he saw the draft document that it was on weak scientific footing. But he said he only made a few comments. "This is not what I normally do," Carlin explained. "I normally write research papers and reports, which take six weeks. The problem of how to prepare thorough comments within a few days." Ultimately, Carlin -- who declined to give his exact age -- worked all the stops to produce [his study](#) questioning the finding. "I worked very hard," he added.

But Carlin was soon told by a colleague coordinating responses to the draft that there were "reservations" about including his comments. Afterward, NCEE director Al McGartland informed Carlin that his comments would not be included. McGartland then told Carlin to contact with other EPA staff on the issue of climate change, and not to do any more work on the issue. Those emails and

Carlin indicated that the incident was in keeping with his prior experience at the agency, suggesting that his labors of love deserve the attention they deserve. That was the case, said Carlin, even before the Obama administration took over. "To the best of my knowledge, I've been followed up on my ideas," he said.

Carlin stressed that he wasn't CEI's source for the emails, saying the first he heard about the story becoming public was when he was asked by him to verify the emails. In fact, he said, he was chagrined that a hastily produced draft of his work was being circulated before he was concerned that, heaven knows, I didn't have time to fix all the problems -- and they still aren't fixed," he said, adding that his work has subsequently [been put out](#).

In fact, he said, he'd only been speaking to reporters at all out of a basic belief in openness and transparency. "I could find it hard to say," he said. But as a government employee, he added, "I don't think it's appropriate -- for reporters or taxpayers -- to [tell reporters] that I'm TPMuckraker, he appeared on Glenn Beck's show on Fox News, armed with a chart to demonstrate his view that warming

Before hanging up, Carlin made sure to caution that during our interview, he hadn't been speaking for his employer. "The views are EPA's," he said.

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This Administration and this EPA Administrator are fully committed to openness, transparency and science-based decision making. These principles were reflected throughout the development of the proposed Endangerment finding, a process in which a broad array of voices were heard and an inter agency review was conducted. In this instance, certain opinions were expressed by an individual who is not a scientist and was not part of the working group dealing with this issue. The claims that his opinions were not considered or studied are entirely false. His manager allowed his general views on the subject of climate change to be heard and considered inside and outside the EPA and presented at conferences and at an agency seminar. The individual was also granted a request to join a committee that organizes an ongoing climate seminar series, open to both agency and outside experts, where he has been able to invite speakers with a full range of views on climate science. His views were consistently found not to be grounded in science. It was only after his views were repeatedly shared both publicly and within the agency that his manager directed him to resume his responsibilities in his area of expertise – economics.

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Subject Reuters Story

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U.S. finds water polluted near gas-drilling sites

Thu Aug 27, 2009 12:56pm EDT

By [Jon Hurdle](#)

PHILADELPHIA (Reuters) - U.S. government scientists have for the first time found chemical contaminants in drinking water wells near natural gas drilling operations, fueling concern that a gas-extraction technique is endangering the health of people who live close to drilling rigs.

The Environmental Protection Agency found chemicals that researchers say may cause illnesses including cancer, kidney failure, anemia and fertility problems in water from 11 of 39 wells tested around the Wyoming town of Pavillion in March and May this year.

The report issued this month did not reach a conclusion about the cause of contamination but named gas drilling as a potential source.

Gas drilling companies say the gas drilling technique called hydraulic fracturing, or "fracking," is safe, but opponents contend it pollutes groundwater with dangerous substances.

Evidence of a link between gas drilling and water contamination would set back development of a clean-burning fuel promoted by the Obama administration as crucial to the future of U.S. energy production.

Some experts believe the United States holds more than 100 years worth of natural gas reserves. The new findings may raise questions about the process companies such as EnCana Corp, Halliburton Co and others commonly use to pump the gas from deep geological formations. Encana, Canada's biggest energy company, is drilling in Pavillion.

"There may be an indication of groundwater contamination by oil and gas activities," said the 44-page report, which received little public attention when released on August 11. "Many activities in gas well drilling (and) hydraulic fracturing ... involve injecting water and other fluids into the well and have the potential to create cross-contamination of aquifers."

Among the contaminants found in some of the wells was 2-butoyethanol, or 2-BE, a solvent used in natural gas extraction, which researchers say causes the breakdown of red blood cells, leading to blood in the urine and feces, and can damage the kidneys, liver, spleen and bone marrow.

Greg Oberley, an EPA scientist who has been testing the water samples, said the agency did not set out to prove that hydraulic fracturing caused groundwater contamination, but was responding to complaints from local residents that their well water had become discolored or foul-smelling or tasted bad.

The investigation was the EPA's first in response to claims that gas drilling is polluting water supplies, he said. Testing will continue.

LINK TO GAS INDUSTRY?

While the EPA team has not determined how the chemicals got into the water, many are associated with gas drilling, Oberley said in a telephone interview.

"The preponderance of those compounds in the area would be attributable to the oil and gas industry," he said.

In hydraulic fracturing, energy companies inject a mixture of water, sand and chemicals a mile or more underground at high pressure, causing rock to fracture and release natural gas.

Drillers such as EnCana are not required to disclose the chemicals they use because of an exemption to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, granted to the oil and gas industry in 2005.

In the U.S. Congress, concern about the safety of fracking led to the introduction in June this year of a bill that would require disclosure of fracking chemicals.

Industry representatives say fracking chemicals are heavily diluted and are injected thousands of feet below drinking-water aquifers through steel and concrete shafts that prevent the escape of toxic substances into water supplies.

Randy Teeuwen, a spokesman for EnCana, said the substances found by the EPA had been "tentatively identified." He said many were naturally occurring and some are commonly found in household products and agricultural degreasers.

He said EnCana was working with the agency to identify possible sources of the contamination. "One of those sources could be oil and gas development," Teeuwen said.

Teeuwen said EnCana, which operates 248 wells in the area, stopped using 2-BE in spring 2009 because of concerns about its health effects.

"It's a banned substance as far as EnCana is concerned," Teeuwen said.

John Fenton, a farmer in Pavillion, a rural community of about 150 people, said residents blame gas drilling for a range of illnesses including rare cancers, miscarriages and nervous system disorders.

Families with contaminated water wells have been advised by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention not to drink the water, which in some cases was black and oily, with a petroleum-like sheen, and a smell of gas, Fenton said.

"The stress is incredible," Fenton told Reuters. "People have built their lives and businesses here. What's it all worth now?"

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EPA chief headlines DSCC fundraiser

By: [Maggie Haberman](#)

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As the Obama administration struggles to contain the massive oil spill threatening the Louisiana coast, one of its top environmental officials will be the featured attraction at a fundraiser for Senate Democrats next week in Manhattan, where donors are promised they can speak to her about their "issues of concern."

Environmental Protection Agency administrator Lisa Jackson, who served as chief of staff to former New Jersey Gov. Jon Corzine, is listed as the main attraction at the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee breakfast scheduled for June 4.

An email sent to potential donors and attendees by Rafi Jafri, who has raised money for Hillary Rodham Clinton and was a fundraiser for Corzine, said the event is being hosted by New Jersey p.r. man Michael Kempner.

White House officials didn't immediately respond to a request for comment. The DSCC declined comment, and sources said Jafri has no official role with it.

In an email to prospective attendees, Jafri said the breakfast "promises to be intimate, so each of you will have a real opportunity to get to know and to speak to Lisa about issues of concern to you and our nation."

"As many of you know, Lisa is on the front line of all environmental and energy policy in the United States and around the world," Jafri's email goes on to say.

"From climate change to leading the green economy, Lisa is the point person for the Obama Administration for creating a more secure, sound and robust environmental future for America...She is also widely seen as one of the great 'stars' of the Obama Administration," he says in the email.

According to her official biography on the EPA website, "Jackson lists among her priorities reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving air quality, managing chemical risks, cleaning up hazardous waste sites, and protecting America's water."

President Barack Obama is expected to make a trip to the Gulf Coast later this week, as residents - including some Democrats - have hammered the White House over its response to the oil spill.

Republicans ripped Jackson's upcoming appearance as an example of the administration's warped priorities.

"When the oil slick first spread, we learned the Interior Department's chief of staff was rafting down the Grand Canyon, and now that it's reached our shores, the President is in California raising money for Barbara Boxer, while the head of the EPA makes plans to raise more campaign cash in New York City," said Brian Walsh, a spokesman for the National Republican Senatorial Committee

"Clearly, this Administration's priorities are grossly misplaced when vacations and campaign fundraisers are more important than focusing on one of the greatest environmental disasters in our nation's history."

Louisiana Rep. Steve Scalise said he wanted to see "more of a sense of urgency from the administration as a whole. We've been very frustrated that the president hasn't been focused properly on the requests that we've been making."



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
February 16, 2010

Energy Secretary Steven Chu, Carol Browner, Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Change, to Hold Conference Call on Today's Nuclear Energy Announcement

WASHINGTON - Following President Obama's announcement today that his Administration will be granting the first loan guarantee for the construction and operation of a nuclear reactor since the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Dr. Steven Chu, Secretary of Energy, and Carol Browner, Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Change, will hold an on the record conference call with reporters. The call will take place at 12:30 p.m. EST. The loan guarantee will go toward the construction of two new nuclear reactors at an existing plant in Burke, GA.

The President has long believed that nuclear power should be part of our energy mix - that's why he has advocated for comprehensive energy and climate legislation that leverages all of our energy sources, including nuclear, to transition to a clean energy economy and create millions of jobs. The project he announced today is scheduled to be

the first nuclear power plant to break ground for nearly three decades and will include approximately 3,500 onsite construction jobs and approximately 800 permanent operations jobs. Approximately 550,000 residential homes and 1.4 million people will be served by the power generated at the facility.

WHAT: Conference Call on Loan Guarantee for Nuclear Plant in Georgia with
Energy Secretary Steven Chu and Carol Browner, Assistant to the President for
Energy and Climate Change

WHEN: TODAY, Tuesday, February 16, 2010
12:30 p.m. EST

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If prompted, ask to join the "White House Call"

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THE NEW YORK TIMES
Editorial

Climate Change

Yvo de Boer's resignation on Thursday after nearly four tumultuous years as chief steward of the United Nations' climate change negotiations has deepened a sense of pessimism about whether the world can ever get its act together on global warming. Mr. de Boer was plainly exhausted by endless bickering among nations and frustrated by the failure of December's talks in Copenhagen to deliver the prize he had worked so hard for: a legally binding treaty committing nations to mandatory reductions in greenhouse gases.

His resignation comes at a fragile moment in the campaign to combat climate change. The Senate is stalemated over a climate change bill. The disclosure of apparently trivial errors in the U.N.'s 2007 climate report has given Senate critics fresh ammunition. And without Mr. de Boer, the slim chances of forging a binding agreement at the next round of talks in December in Cancún, Mexico, seem slimmer still.

Yet his departure is hardly the death knell for international negotiations. It is not proof that such talks are of no value or that the U.N. negotiating framework in place since 1992 should be abandoned. Even Copenhagen, messy as it was, brought rich and poor nations closer together than they had been. And more than 90 countries representing 83 percent of the world's greenhouse gases promised, at least notionally, to reduce their emissions.

But his resignation does remind us that the U.N. process is tiring, cumbersome and slow. It reinforces the notion that some parallel negotiating track will be necessary if the world is to have any hope of achieving the reductions scientists believe are necessary to avert the worst consequences of climate change.

The Copenhagen pledges, even if all of them are met, will merely stabilize global emissions by 2020. What really matters is what happens after 2020, whether the world can achieve reductions of at least 50 percent by midcentury. That won't happen without big cuts by big emitters like the United States, the European Union, China, India and Brazil.

Even before Copenhagen, global leaders were exploring parallel tracks. Former President George W. Bush brought together some of the big emitters, and President Obama has expanded on this idea with the Major Economies Forum on Energy and Climate, a group of 17 countries that plans to meet regularly. The Group of 20 has put climate change high on its agenda, and bilateral efforts — technology exchanges between China and the United States, for instance — are under discussion.

The underlying thought is that the ultimate goal is a safe planet, and that absent a top-down global treaty, that goal is probably best achieved by aggressive, bottom-up national strategies to reduce emissions. Not that these are a sure thing; the United States, embarrassingly, has no national strategy. Until it gets one, it can hardly lecture anyone else. Nor will the world stand a ghost of a chance of bringing emissions under control.

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Climate insurance

THE EARTH is warming. A chief cause is the increase in greenhouse gases accumulating in the atmosphere. Humans are at least in part responsible, because the oil, gas and coal that we burn releases these gases. If current trends persist, it's likely that in coming decades the globe's climate will change with potentially devastating effects for billions of people.

Contrary to what you may have read lately, there are few reputable scientists who would disagree with anything in that first paragraph. Yet suddenly we're hearing that climate change is in doubt and that action to combat it is unlikely. What's going on?

First, climate science is complex, and there is much that we still do not understand. Politicians, advocates and scientists who have claimed a level of certainty unsupported by evidence -- about exactly how climate change will unfold or is unfolding -- have not helped the cause. Second, as in any research effort being conducted by thousands of scientists across many years and many countries, mistakes will be made in the research or in its collection and reporting. The mistakes that have been revealed recently -- about, most prominently, the likely melting rate of Himalayan glaciers -- need correcting. But in the overall picture, they are trivial.

Politicians nonetheless have seized on both the trivial mistakes and the complexity of the science to cast doubt on the underlying and unrefuted truth of human-caused greenhouse gas accumulation. In many cases, it is hard to know whether they are being obtuse or dishonest, and hard to know which would be worse. To see Virginia's newly elected attorney general join in this know-nothingism is an embarrassment to the state.

What's the right response? It seems to us there are two key arguments that can provide some shelter for politicians who want to do the right thing. The first is to acknowledge a level of uncertainty in the predictions and make the case for taking out an insurance policy, as would any prudent homeowner. It's true that we don't know for sure how many degrees warmer the Earth will be, on average, by 2050 or what effect this will have on the ferocity of storms or coastal flooding or starvation-inducing drought. But it's also true that, as the science has progressed, the predictions have become more dire, not less -- and that they are still as likely to be too optimistic as the reverse.

If there is action that can be taken, now, to begin to reduce the dangers, why would we not do so?

The only cogent answer we have heard is that action is hopeless: that wrenching the economy away from its dependence on oil and coal would be so expensive, and the resulting benefit so minimal, that it's not worth trying. Those who make this case in a rational way don't deny the existence of climate change, but they say that the money should be spent instead on mitigation and research into alternative technologies. Our view is that it makes no sense to give up before trying -- especially since measured government action could unleash technological innovation that in turn would make the costs far less than predicted.

And all the more so when -- and this is the second key point -- the action that would have the most beneficial effect with regard to climate change is in the national interest anyway. A gradually rising carbon tax made sense even before "global warming" entered most people's vocabulary. Almost as useful would be a simple cap-and-rebate system that required industry to pay for greenhouse-gas emissions. Either would reduce American dependence on dictators in Saudi Arabia and Venezuela while lowering air pollution of all kinds. Neither would require a complicated government bureaucracy of the kind that has understandably alarmed some people while giving others a pretext for opposition. And if politicians can't bear to stand behind an increased tax, the revenue from either proposal could all be returned in a fair and progressive way.

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Below is the press release from Governor Paterson in NY regarding his announcement today on reduction of greenhouse gas pollution.

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GOVERNOR PATERSON SIGNS EXECUTIVE ORDER TO REDUCE NEW YORK'S GREENHOUSE GAS POLLUTION

Executive Order to Tackle Climate Change by Setting Goal of Reducing Emissions by 80 Percent by 2050

Requires a Climate Action Plan on How to Reduce Greenhouse Gases

Governor David A. Paterson today signed Executive Order No. 24 setting a goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in New York State by 80 percent below the levels emitted in 1990 by the year 2050. The Executive Order also creates a Climate Action Council with a directive to prepare a draft Climate Action Plan by September 30, 2010. The Climate Action Plan will assess how all economic sectors can reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to climate change, as well as identify the extent to which such actions support New York's goals for a clean energy economy.

"Climate change is the most pressing environmental issue of our time. By taking action, we send a signal that New Yorkers will do our share to address the climate crisis and we will do it in a way that creates opportunities for innovation and entrepreneurship to flourish," said Governor Paterson. "One way we will achieve this goal is by focusing our efforts on a clean energy economy that will create jobs for New Yorkers."

This Executive Order will build on the progress the State has made to date. Governor Paterson has already taken a number of steps to address the climate crisis in New York through innovative, cost-effective policies and programs such as the award winning Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), stricter automobile greenhouse gas emission standards and the "45 by 15" program for expanding efficiency measures and renewable energy. State programs and incentives are working in concert with federal efforts to increase the use of clean energy technologies and to promote emission reductions.

Future climate change will impose significant economic burdens on New York. Heat-related mortality in the New York City metropolitan region could increase by 47 to 95 percent when compared to 1990 levels. New York's public drinking water supplies may also be compromised by changes in temperature and precipitation. In addition, a warmer climate will adversely affect the State's crucial dairy production and crops, including grain, apples and potatoes, resulting in a potential increase in the cost of food.

Though it is anticipated that reductions in greenhouse gas emissions will be paramount, the Climate Action Plan will also include adaptation measures that will safeguard people, the environment and our infrastructure from expected climatic changes.

Momentum to address climate change is building at the federal level. President Obama has set a national goal of at least an 80 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2050. The House of Representatives recently passed the American Clean Energy and Security Act, establishing a national climate program to reduce emissions by 83 percent below 2005 levels by 2050. Governor Paterson also urges the U.S. Senate to pass comprehensive climate and energy legislation.

The Climate Action Council will consist of the Commissioners of the Departments of Agriculture and Markets, Environmental Conservation, Housing and Community Renewal and Transportation; the President and CEO of Empire State Development; the Chair of the Public Service Commission; the Presidents of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Dormitory Authority, the New York Power Authority and the Long Island Power Authority; the Secretary of State; the Director of the Budget; the Director of State Operations; and the Counsel to the Governor. The Director of State Operations shall serve as the Chair of the Council.

The Executive Order requires that the Council hold regional public comment hearings on the draft Plan and allow at least 60 days for the submission of written public comment. Thereafter, the Council shall prepare a final Plan which shall be reviewed and, if warranted, adjusted annually by the Council.

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The following statements were provided in support of the Executive Order:

Pete Grannis, Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation, said: "Governor Paterson is leading the charge to make New York more energy independent and energy efficient. From launching the nation's first greenhouse gas allowance auctions to increasing the use of clean energy, Governor Paterson has implemented one of the most aggressive climate change and energy security programs in the nation. This new initiative is a bold step in tackling the climate crisis."

Carol E. Murphy, Executive Director of the Alliance for Clean Energy New York, said: "Changing our energy consumption to meet the challenge of global climate change is the most pressing environmental and economic dilemma we face. We applaud the Governor for confronting this challenge head on and setting an aggressive goal - a necessary one according to the scientific experts - to help move us in the right direction. We believe New Yorkers can rise to the challenge with clean, renewable technologies and

find solutions that help create a thriving green economy.”

Robert Moore, Executive Director of Environmental Advocates of New York, said: “Governor David Paterson is taking an historic step to restore New York’s leadership in the arena of global warming. While opposition exists to reducing the pollution that is already changing New York’s climate, the Governor recognizes that our economy and our environment will only benefit from decisive action to combat the greatest environmental threat of our generation.”

Curtis Fisher, Regional Executive Director of the National Wildlife Federation’s Northeast Natural Resource Center, said: “Governor Paterson’s leadership will create clean energy jobs, save individuals and businesses money on their energy bills, promote domestic security and reduce global warming pollution. It also sends the right message to members of Congress who are working on energy and climate legislation. We commend the entire Administration’s efforts to safeguard communities, wildlife and our natural resources from the impacts of global warming.”

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U.S. SENATOR LISA MURKOWSKI TO HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE CALL ON CLIMATE CHANGE

WASHINGTON – Alaska Senator Lisa Murkowski will hold a press conference call today at 3:00 p.m. EDT to discuss the president's speech on climate change in New York. Details of the press conference call are as follows:

Tuesday, September 22, 2009

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Chamber Threatens Lawsuit if EPA Rejects Climate Science 'Trial'

By MICHAEL BURNHAM of [ClimateWire](#)

The nation's largest business group is asking U.S. EPA to hold a public debate on climate change science -- or face litigation -- as the agency prepares to regulate greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act.

In April, EPA said it planned to declare that emissions of carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons and sulfur hexafluoride from new automobiles and their engines contribute to air pollution that endangers public health and welfare. The proposal, which does not include any regulations, comes in response to the Supreme Court's 2007 *Massachusetts v. EPA* ruling.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce filed a 21-page petition with EPA today, asking the agency to approve an on-the-record proceeding with an independent trier of fact who would allow EPA and environmental and business groups to engage in a "credible weighing" of the scientific evidence that global warming endangers human health.

EPA has hosted two public hearings and received more than 300,000 public comments on the matter already.

"They don't have the science to support the endangerment finding," Bill Kovacs, the chamber's vice president for environment, regulatory and government affairs, said in an interview. "We can't just take their word for it."

Kovacs envisions the EPA proceeding as a modern-day "Scopes Monkey Trial," where the science of global warming -- rather than evolution versus creationism -- would be debated. The 1925 trial, which pitted prominent defense attorney Clarence Darrow against three-time presidential candidate Williams Jennings Bryan, centered on the prosecution of John Scopes for violating a Tennessee law by teaching evolution in a high school classroom.

Much is at stake in the modern climate change debate. Declaring greenhouse gases as pollutants from automobiles would trigger Clean Air Act regulation of other emission sources, such as power plants and oil refineries, Kovacs said.

"An endangerment finding would make EPA the regulator of the U.S. economy," he warned.

EPA Deputy Press Secretary Brendan Gilfillan rejected the chamber's claims. EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson based her proposed endangerment finding on "the soundest peer-reviewed science available, which overwhelmingly indicates that climate change presents a threat to human health and welfare," he said.

"While she knows the rigorous process would stand up to any frivolous legal challenge, the administrator doesn't think a new Scopes trial is the best way to move America forward on this issue," Gilfillan added.

Litigation is a "certainty," regardless of EPA's next move, Kovacs said.

If EPA denies the chamber's petition for climate science debate, the 3-million-member business group would have 60 days to challenge the decision, Kovacs said. The chamber would have an equal amount of time in which to challenge EPA's final endangerment finding.

EPA is reviewing the public comments and preparing the final rule, Gilfillan said.

"What we're calling for is real transparency," Kovacs said. "They have taken the position that they want integrity in science."

The U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's 2007 assessment pegs the range of expected global average temperature increase during the next century at 2 to 4.5 degrees Celsius, with a best estimate of 3 degrees. The consequences of a warming world include harsher heat waves, deeper floods and faster glacial melting, the scientists warned.

In today's [filing](#) (pdf) with EPA, the chamber charges that "no issue should be more important in deciding whether to make an endangerment finding than the question of whether higher global temperatures will lead to higher death rates in the United States." Indeed, the business group, citing scientific data it has already submitted to EPA, contends that the IPCC's forecast temperature increases will result in lower net mortality rates in the United States.

The American Petroleum Institute and other trade groups have argued similarly in EPA filings.

"Those favoring a positive finding either ignore the data cited by the chamber and other parties who have actually examined the scientific literature in detail, or they try to divert

attention from the question of whether higher temperatures will lead to increased mortality in the United States," the chamber filing concludes.

Added Kovacs: "What we're asking for is a trial of the science."

Brenda Ekwurzel, a climate scientist with the Union of Concerned Scientists, characterized the chamber's analysis as "cherry picking" data.

A June 2009 report by 13 federal agencies, titled "Global Climate Change Impacts in the United States," does project a smaller risk of loss of life in the winter -- such as people slipping on ice or freezing to death -- in coming decades. However, warmer weather in other seasons would bring a greater risk of loss of life, Ekwurzel noted, citing the report.

"Unlike health threats caused by a particular toxin or disease pathogen, there are many ways that climate change can lead to potentially harmful health effects," the report noted. "There are direct health impacts from heat waves and severe storms, ailments caused or exacerbated by air pollution and airborne allergens, and many climate-sensitive infectious diseases."

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Blog post by Heather on clean air act successes. Now apparently posted on WH site.

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Zichal Blog Post: Cleaner Air and a Stronger Economy - A Record of Success

WASHINGTON- Heather Zichal, Deputy Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Change, posted the following blog today on the steps the Obama Administration has taken to reduce harmful air pollution while promoting the nation's economic growth and well-being.

A link to the post can also be found online [HERE](#)

Clean Air: An Investment in Health, the Environment, and the Economy

Posted by Heather Zichal on September 02, 2011 at 10:30 AM EDT

Over the last two and a half years, the Obama Administration has taken unprecedented steps forward to protect the public health of American families by reducing harmful air pollution. Taken together, the Administration's clean air achievements will produce enormous benefits for public health and the environment - while promoting the nation's continued economic growth and well-being.

Clean air is critical to protecting public health and the environment and the evidence shows that it's a good investment. A recent report by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shows that the direct benefits of the [Clean Air Act](#) – in the form of cleaner air and healthier, more productive Americans – are estimated to reach nearly \$2 trillion in the year 2020, exceeding the costs by a factor of more than 30 to one. These benefits are ultimately about the health of our families.

According to the report, in 2010 alone, the reductions in fine particle and ozone pollution from the Clean Air Act prevented:

- **160,000** premature deaths;
- More than **80,000** emergency room visits;
- **Millions** of cases of respiratory problems;
- **Millions** of lost workdays, increasing productivity;
- **Millions** of lost school days due to respiratory illness and other diseases caused or exacerbated by air pollution.

The Obama Administration's Record of Achievement

Doubling fuel efficiency for cars and light duty trucks: Shortly after taking office, President Obama directed the EPA and the Department of Transportation (DOT) to set joint fuel efficiency standards and greenhouse gas standards for cars and light-duty trucks built in 2012-2016. These groundbreaking standards, finalized in April 2010, will raise fuel efficiency to 35.5 mpg and begin saving families money at the pump this year. In July 2011, the President announced the [next round of standards](#), for Model Years 2017 – 2025, which will require performance equivalent to 54.5 mpg or 163 grams/ mile of CO₂ for cars and light-duty trucks by Model Year 2025. Together, the Administration's programs for cars and light duty trucks represent the first meaningful update to fuel efficiency standards in three decades and will save American families \$1.7 trillion dollars in fuel costs, and by 2025 result in an average fuel savings of over \$8,000 per vehicle. Additionally, these programs will dramatically cut the oil we consume, saving a total of 12 billion barrels of oil, and by 2025 reduce oil consumption by 2.2 million barrels a day. Achieving our efficiency goals will also secure demand for innovative technologies and manufacturing that will spur economic growth and create high-quality domestic jobs in cutting edge industries across America.

First-ever standards for medium and heavy-duty trucks: In addition to historic rules for light-duty vehicles, the Administration has announced the first-ever [fuel economy standards for medium- and heavy-duty trucks](#). Under the comprehensive new national program, trucks and buses built in 2014 through 2018 will reduce oil consumption by a projected 530 million barrels and greenhouse gas (GHG) pollution by approximately 270 million metric tons. The standards are expected to yield an estimated \$50 billion in net benefits over the life of model year 2014 to 2018 vehicles, resulting in significant

long-terms savings for vehicle owners and operators.

Cutting pollution from power plants and industrial sources: EPA finalized additional Clean Air Act protections that will slash hundreds of thousands of tons of smokestack emissions that travel long distances through the air leading to soot and smog, threatening the health of hundreds of millions of Americans living downwind. The [Cross-State Air Pollution Rule](#) will reduce air pollution (including ozone) and is projected to prevent up to 34,000 deaths annually, producing annual estimated net benefits in excess of \$100 billion. Twenty seven states in the eastern half of the country will work with power plants to cut air pollution under the rule, which leverages widely available, proven and cost-effective control technologies. Many power plants covered by the rule have already made substantial investments in clean air technologies to reduce SO₂ and NO_x emissions.

First national standard to reduce mercury and other toxic air pollution from power plants: Power plants are the largest remaining source of several toxic air pollutants – responsible for half of mercury and more than half of acid gas emissions in the United States. In the power sector alone, coal-fired power plants are responsible for 99 percent of mercury emissions. In March of 2011, the Administration proposed [new power plant mercury and air toxics standards](#) to cut harmful emissions of mercury, arsenic, chromium, nickel and acid gases, preventing as many as 18,000 premature deaths and 11,000 heart attacks a year. These proposed standards would also prevent up to 5,300 hospitalizations for respiratory and cardiovascular diseases and up to 860,000 days of work missed due to illness. The total health and economic benefits of this standard in 2016 would be up to \$130 billion. In addition, the Administration is putting in place standards to reduce toxic pollution from cement plants, oil and gas extraction, and industrial boilers – steps which will provide large public health benefits for communities across the country.

Reducing harmful air pollution by expanding cleaner alternatives and increasing efficiency: The Recovery Act included over \$90 billion for clean energy – the largest single clean energy investment in American history. This funding supported programs that created over 224,500 American jobs and tens of thousands of domestic renewable energy projects through programs like the successful “1603” renewable energy grant program – which was successfully extended for a year as part of the December 2010 compromise tax agreement. Thanks to these concerted efforts, we are on track to double renewable energy generation by 2012.

The Administration has also demonstrated a commitment to efficiency, both in the transportation sector and in the built environment. This includes implementing more rigorous energy efficiency standards for commercial and residential appliances, including microwaves, kitchen ranges, dishwashers, light bulbs and other common appliances, and supporting building retrofits. The Recovery Through Retrofit program

is eliminating key barriers in the home retrofit industry and the Better Buildings Initiative for commercial buildings is striving to make this sector 20 percent more efficient by 2020.

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President Obama Directs Administration to Create First-Ever National Efficiency and Emissions Standards for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Trucks

Calls for increased support for electric vehicles, extension of national policy for cars and light-trucks

WASHINGTON, DC - President Obama today continued to build towards a new clean energy foundation, announcing a vision for cleaner, more efficient trucks, and next-generation cars, including advanced electric vehicles.

Signing a Presidential Memorandum in the Rose Garden at the White House today, the President directed the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to create a first-ever National Policy to increase fuel efficiency and decrease greenhouse gas pollution from medium- and heavy-duty trucks for Model Years 2014-2018. Currently trucks consume more than two million

barrels of oil every day, and average 6.1 miles per gallon. They also emit 20% of greenhouse gas pollution related to transportation. Preliminary estimates indicate great potential for significant fuel efficiency gains and greenhouse gas emissions reductions for large tractor trailers, which represent half of all GHG emissions from this sector.

The President also called for an extension of the National Program for cars and light-duty trucks to Model Year 2017 and beyond.

Additionally, President Obama directed the Department of Energy to provide increased support for deployment of advanced vehicles, including electric vehicles, and directed EPA to reduce non-greenhouse-gas pollutants from motor vehicles.

The announcement lays the groundwork for a more secure energy future by reducing our dependence on oil, enhancing American competitiveness and job creation with a new generation of advanced electric vehicles, and protects the environment by reducing dangerous greenhouse gas and other pollutants.

President Obama said, "This will bring down costs for transporting goods, serving businesses and consumers alike. It will reduce pollution. And, just like the rule concerning cars, this standard will spur growth in the clean energy sector. We know how important that is. We know that our dependence on foreign oil endangers our security and our economy. We know that climate change poses a threat to our way of life - in fact we are already beginning to see its profound and costly impact. And we know that our economic future depends on our leadership in the industries of the future."

Following the President's directive today, and with the support of a wide and diverse array of stakeholders, including auto manufacturers, workers, the State of California, the environmental community, and other states, EPA and DOT will develop forthcoming rulemaking proposals to achieve these goals, and continue building a stronger foundation for a clean energy economy and the next generation of advanced vehicles.

"We want America to be home to the auto industry of the future, and this sends a clear message to our innovators, entrepreneurs and auto manufacturers that this country is committed to leading the way through 2016 and beyond," said **EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson**. "The fuel efficient cars and trucks of the future can cut costs for American drivers and shipping companies, while cleaning up the air we breathe. We're starting on this today so that we can be the world leaders in clean technology tomorrow."

"We need to seize the momentum following last month's historic new fuel economy and greenhouse gas emission standards and President Obama's announcement today does just that," said **DOT Secretary Ray LaHood**. "By expanding this effort to include

medium and heavy-duty trucks and encouraging the development of innovative technologies such as electric cars, we are laying the foundation for a cleaner, greener transportation sector that provides greater environmental benefits, reduces our dependence on oil and encourages American creativity.”

Today’s announcement builds upon the success of the historic new national policy President Obama set in motion one year ago, this week, increasing fuel economy and reducing greenhouse gas pollution for new cars and light-duty trucks manufactured in Model Years 2012-2016 and sold in the United States. The policy represented an unprecedented collaboration between DOT, EPA, the world’s largest auto manufacturers, the United Auto Workers, leaders in the environmental community, the State of California, and other state governments. Last month, EPA and DOT issued coordinated final rules fulfilling the President’s directive, and these regulations established, for the first time, a harmonized National Program that will save our nation 1.8 billion barrels of oil and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by nearly one billion metric tons -- equivalent to taking 50 million cars off the road -- over the lifetime of vehicles sold in Model Years 2012-2016.

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Below are a few noteworthy clips from yesterday. We'll also circulate additional clips from this week's 40th events late each day.

Thanks.

- Brendan

[The EPA and Lisa Jackson: What Stands Between You and Polluters
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I met with Lisa Jackson last week, and I was once again struck by how forcefully she fights to protect the health of American families. As the head of the Environmental Protection Agency, she is helping make our air safer to breathe and getting toxins out of everyday products.

Still, it has become commonplace these days to bash the government and to question the service of public officials--particularly Jackson.

Yet attacking Jackson is like attacking our doctors and pediatricians. Congress charged the EPA with protecting our health, and like medical professionals, Jackson and her colleagues study the science and determine affordable ways to keep people healthy--instead of treating them after they get sick.

And let's face it: If the EPA doesn't stand up for our health and set limits on the pollution that causes asthma, heart disease, and cancer, who will? Do you think BP is protecting you? Do you think the American Petroleum Institute is protecting you?

Oil companies are looking out for their own interests--that's fine, that's what businesses do. But our interests need to be represented as well.

Imagine if an oil refinery or a power plant was pumping toxic pollutants into your body--and you are left paying the medical bills and taking your child to the ER when she has an asthma attack.

It is extremely difficult for an individual to demand that a major polluter clean up its act. But Congress gave the EPA the authority to do just that. And Jackson uses this authority on behalf of you and me and our children.

Jackson first got into environmental protection because she saw it as a form of people protection. She grew up in New Orleans, the daughter of a postman, and studied chemical engineering at Tulane. During her graduate work, she realized that her training as an engineer could be used to clean up hazardous waste--or better yet, stop it from occurring in the first place.

But Jackson isn't only an engineer or a public official; she is also the mother of two sons. She wants to keep her children safe from illness just like I do and just like every other parent does.

That's why Jackson tells industry: you can conduct your business, but you have to do it without giving our kids asthma or giving our parents respiratory disease. Some lawmakers think that makes Jackson an example of government overreach. I think that means she is doing the job Congress gave her. And the job we need her to do - because no one else can or will do it.

Agency's success presents new challenges -- Jackson (11/29/2010)

Gabriel Nelson, E&E reporter

With U.S. EPA taking intense criticism from Republicans and businesses, Administrator Lisa Jackson said today her 40-year-old agency is battling a new problem: Americans are taking a healthy environment for granted.

When EPA was created in 1970, Cleveland's Cuyahoga River was so polluted that it caught fire. Pittsburgh and Los Angeles were choking on smog on a daily basis. And the widespread use of DDT and other toxic chemicals was killing off bald eagles -- the very symbol of the United States.

The nation's rivers aren't burning anymore, Jackson said. The air is clean enough that many people don't notice it. Struggling species have rebounded. But because younger people have

no memories of those days, they might not realize why the agency was created in the first place, she said.

Critics say EPA has already picked all the low-hanging fruit in the Clean Air Act and other statutes. But Jackson said there are still ways for the agency to address public health and the environment -- especially by imposing more rules on electric utilities.

"We've made enormous progress," she said. "We've gotten to the point now where we don't see the pollution as often as we did, and in some ways, that makes our job a little bit harder. It's pollution that's less easy to photograph and less easy to get people riled up about."

The talk today at the Washington, D.C., headquarters of the Aspen Institute, a think tank, kicked off a week of events commemorating EPA's creation on Dec. 2, 1970. Jackson is scheduled to tout the agency's focus on children's health tomorrow at a charter school in Atlanta and to speak Friday during a symposium on U.S. environmental policy at Harvard University.

During the series of appearances, Jackson will be playing defense as well as reflecting on the agency's past. When they take control of the House next year, the Republicans intend to increase oversight of the agency's programs and try to rein in rules they consider excessive.

They say the cost of new regulations is pushing existing jobs overseas and preventing companies from investing in costly new facilities.

The agency's regulations were challenged again today by incoming House Oversight Committee Chairman Darrell Issa (R-Calif.) and Rep. Fred Upton (R-Mich.), who is competing for the gavel of the Energy and Commerce Committee. Regulations such as the upcoming revision to the national smog standard "may devastate our economy and send us into a prolonged recession," the lawmakers said.

"Now that Republicans have recaptured the House, we think it is time for a fundamentally different approach in the defense of liberty," they wrote in a *Washington Times* op-ed. "Committees with significant oversight duties must work together to block agencies from freely passing regulations that have no regard or concern for the potential damage to job growth and the economy."

Regs won't hurt economy -- Jackson

Jackson said she is "absolutely adamant" that the government can provide a cleaner environment to Americans without stopping economic growth, especially after a quarter in which American businesses made record profits. She acknowledged that EPA's programs are less fruitful now than they were in the beginning, but the numbers still show more benefits than costs.

According to annual figures compiled by the White House Office of Management and Budget, EPA regulations produced between \$82 billion and \$533 billion in benefits between 1999 and 2009, compared with between \$26 billion and \$29 billion in costs.

Though the agency produced 30 or 40 times more benefits than costs in its earlier years, the equation still favors the programs, Jackson said.

"I don't think that this should ever be framed to people as, 'OK, it's time to choose: Do you

want a job, or do you want a clean environment?" Jackson said. "We are not there. We are nowhere near that line, and we can have both."

'The EPA is Not the Villain'

Administrator Lisa Jackson talks about working with a new GOP majority.

Newsweek Q and A

On Jan. 1, the Environmental Protection Agency is set to phase in regulations on air and water pollutants, including sulfur oxides, ozone, and, most controversial of all, carbon dioxide. House Republicans have vowed to thwart the EPA at every turn. But Lisa Jackson, the agency's administrator, says she won't be deterred. She sat down with NEWSWEEK's Daniel Stone. Excerpts:

People have said you run, and I'm quoting, a "runaway agency," with a staff that's "out of control," and have called you a "renegade." What's your response? I think we need to separate what we're doing from what we hear lobbyists and CEOs say we're doing. We laid out three ideas: we would follow the law, and we would follow science, and we would operate transparently. When I hear "renegade," it sounds like we're operating outside of the system. But this is the system. The system is designed to make sure our land and water and air are protected.

House Republicans have said they're going to subpoena you every week. What will be your defense? I can offer facts. I'll explain all the rules and proposals that are out there, what they do, and how they'll protect the environment and health of the American people. We're not doing it without being mindful that the economy is in tight straits.

Would there be room for a compromise to push all these regulations back one or two years? I'm not saying there's no accommodation that can be made with respect to time. But these regulations are designed to give time and certainty so that industry can plan. I had a CEO in here last week who thanked me for the clean-car rules. He said they were absolutely key, if not the catalyst, to make his industry expand. The irony was, in the state where those jobs are going to be, both senators were looking to pull back EPA's authority, which would have pulled back the clean-car rules.

One energy CEO in Kentucky told customers their bills would go up 20 percent with new regulations. They do those calculations by assuming the worst-case scenario. We try to work very closely with industry. It's not fair to have someone speculate about what we might do and then castigate this agency and me personally for something we haven't done.

Considering the global impact of greenhouse gases, doesn't it also matter what developing economies do? It is true that climate change is a global phenomenon. Because of the growth in the developing world—China, India, and other countries—we know that carbon emissions may go up. But there's a need for leadership, and also a need for regulatory certainty.

Clear air and water and a stable environment seem like reasonable things. Do you think you lost control of the messaging? I've got to push back on that. You need to separate what happens inside the Beltway echo chamber here with what happens in the countryside. People expect their government to take care of them and their families. Not special interests, not highly paid lobbyists. This agency plays an important role that way. I understand that people need a villain, but this agency is not the villain. My belief has always

been that you can have a clean and healthy environment and a thriving economy at the same time.

How much support have you gotten from the president? It's the other way around. I'm there to support his agenda. He has said EPA is doing its job. I feel very supported by the administration.

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Even The Cows Have Cancer: EPA Weighs Tougher Regulation of Toxic Coal Ash



Elisa Young says she has lost at least six neighbors to cancer in the last ten years.

"I've lost neighbors to lung cancer who have never smoked," she said. "I've lost them to brain cancer, breast, throat, colon, multiple myeloma, pre-leukemia. When my son, who's in his 20s, came home to visit, he said, 'Mom, is it normal for your mouth to taste like metal?' We pulled over and he coughed until he got sick."

Young has no doubt about what she believes is causing all the cancer: coal. For the past 10 years she's lived in Meigs County, Ohio, the center of the second largest concentration of coal plants in the nation, and has become an environmental activist.

"There isn't a house on this road that hasn't been touched by cancer... I had melanoma and I currently have two more precancerous conditions for breast and thyroid cancer, none of which

are in my family," said Young, 47. "My dog died of cancer, my best friend's dog died of lymphoma. I just gave up a dog because I couldn't afford to take him into the vet. He was getting lumps on him."

Each year, coal-burning power plants release nearly 100 million tons of toxic fly ash into wet ponds, rivers and landfills, according to a [2009 report by Earthjustice](#), an environmental legal advocacy organization. A 2007 risk assessment by the Environmental Protection Agency found that people who live near one of these coal ash waste sites have as high as a 1 in 50 chance of developing cancer, as well as an increased risk of damage to the lungs, kidneys, liver and other organs as a result of exposure to toxic metals. Further, says the report, the danger to wildlife and ecosystems is "off the charts." Linking exposure to specific diseases can be difficult to prove scientifically -- it has not been definitely proven that exposure to toxic fly ash caused the sicknesses in Meigs County.

Despite these findings, the Environmental Protection Agency has deemed coal ash a "non-hazardous waste" since 1988, a classification that allows fly ash to be dumped into ponds with no protective liner and re-used as pavement, building materials, fertilizer, potting soil and even toothpaste.

In October of 2009, the EPA finally re-evaluated the dangers of toxic coal ash and proposed new rules to regulate coal waste disposal, but the proposed regulations have been stalled for five months at the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, headed by Cass Sunstein. During their deliberations over the past few months, Sunstein's staff has met with representatives of the coal and fly ash industries approximately 35 times, but has only met with a handful of citizens personally affected by coal ash. According to a press release issued by Ohio Citizen Action last week, Sunstein has not made any public trips to see the real-life effects of coal ash on some of America's poorest communities.

Story continues below +

EPA administrator Lisa Jackson told reporters in February that she hoped her agency would unveil the proposal by April. But, she said, "I can't absolutely lock it in." Sunstein's office did not return requests for comment.

Coal ash waste is being piled onto Meigs County from every part of the coal cycle: the mining, the power plants and the dumps. But the area has received very little attention from the EPA or decision-makers in the White House, environmentalists say. "Everything that could affect you with that hazardous waste is right on top of us," Young said. "Nobody's ever come through here and taken samples of our ponds and streams and pastures to see what's accumulated. They're continuing to dump more and more of this on us, and they're not even regulating what is currently making us sick."

Not everyone in Meigs County feels the way Young does about the plants--many people welcome them for their potential to bring more jobs to a county with a staggering 17.7 percent unemployment rate. In August 2008, during a public hearing related to a new coal-burning power plant and landfill being proposed for Meigs County, Jim Phillips of *Athens News* reported:

"Most people who attended the hearing favored the project as a desperately needed source of jobs - a fact brought out when Meigs County Commissioner Mick Davenport asked all supporters in the room to stand, and most people promptly got to their feet." Davenport did not return several calls for comment.

(The proposed plant never came, according to an Ohio Citizen Action press release.)

Young thinks electric companies target poor, rural towns because they know the people are desperate for jobs. "They consider us to be the most worthless, powerless population they could find," Young said. "That's why they set up here."

Guy Rose, a farmer in Meigs County, Ohio, said he tried but failed to get a job at one of the four power plants in the area. Having lived on a large piece of farmland in the area for his entire life, Rose said he has lost a number of cattle to cancer, which he says is a very unusual way for cattle to die. He has also had a few health concerns of his own.

"It sure is getting tough to breathe around here," Rose said. "I've had this cough for about three or four years now, but I've never been to doctor. The insurance is so darn high I can't afford it."

Environmental advocacy organizations share Young's concern that the coal industry targets America's poorest and most politically powerless communities as sites for their plants and waste dumps.

"Many studies have shown that toxic waste disposal in the U.S. places a disproportionate burden on poor communities and communities of color," said Lisa Evans, Senior Administrative Counsel for Earthjustice. "Clearly, the facts that these communities have less political power and may already be suffering from environmental and economic blight are factors that make their communities more likely targets for coal ash disposal. For off-site disposal facilities, like the Arrowhead Landfill in Perry County, Alabama, or the coal ash dump in Gambrills, Maryland, I believe this is particularly true."

After a major coal spill in Kingston, Tennessee, in 2008, the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) was charged with the responsibility of cleaning up the toxic coal ash and moving it to a landfill that could accept the waste. A spokesperson for the TVA said they made the decision to dump the waste into the Arrowhead Landfill in Perry County, Alabama, a poor, predominantly African-American town, "based on cost, being able to move the material by rail, and the ability of the landfill to accept the waste." She added that the decision was a positive one for Perry County because it would "supply additional jobs to the community," which has long suffered from high unemployment rates.

When Perry County won the contract for the coal ash disposal, Commissioner Albert Turner, Jr., son of the prominent civil rights leader, testified before Congress: "The contract between TVA and the Arrowhead Landfill has provided the county with an economic boost, unseen since the state of Texas struck oil.... In plain words, we have transformed one of the poorest counties per capita in Alabama into one of the wealthiest counties in Alabama."

Turner added, "Now, more than 96% of the residents of Perry County will have clean, fresh drinking water," and repeatedly called the landfill "environmentally safe" throughout his testimony.

But since TVA began moving the coal ash to Perry County in July of 2009, the unemployment rate has actually increased from 19.3 percent to 19.6 percent, according to Department of Labor statistics. And the town's groundwater has consistently tested high for arsenic and other health-threatening toxins. John Wathen, an environmental investigator and clean water advocate for Perry County, says the toxic ash is being very sloppily handled at its new site.

"Literally within 100 feet of people's homes, they're dumping coal ash on the ground, allowing it to blow around," Wathen said. "In Kingston, where the disaster occurred, they're taking meticulous care to make sure none of that stuff becomes airborne on the transfer to Perry. Then they dump it on the ground here, the plastic bags are all over the place, the train cars that are unloaded have to be washed out before they get back to Kingston. So they wash the ash out into a ditch that leads directly into a creek. It's criminal."

Wathen said that anyone who claims that coal waste is non-hazardous hasn't had to stand near it. "I'm a healthy man and I literally break down and throw up every time I'm exposed to it," he said. "And these people are expected to live in it. The federal government, community officials and TVA clearly conspired to take advantage of them."

Dora Williams, who lives with her grandson about 200 feet from the landfill, agrees.

"It's miserable," said Williams, 62. "It affects everything around here -- fruit, trees, cars, trucks, furniture... You can't open your windows. I had a garden; I ain't got one now. The smell, it makes you real weak and sick. When it starts smelling real strong, sometimes I get up at five in the morning and just leave until it lightens up a bit."

Williams says her grandson, who is 26, was unable to get a job at the landfill. "We went to the town meeting, they tell us a bunch of lies, talking about jobs and whatnot. But my grandson went over there and they didn't give him one. They give who they want a job, that's what it looks like."

Some Perry County residents feel like they've been misrepresented by their elected officials, who lobbied for the waste to come to the Arrowhead Landfill because of the lucrative deal involved. Ruby Holmes, 80, says the town members have yet to see any of the money or jobs they were promised, and that none of their opinions were taken into consideration when the decision was made.

"I know we need somewhere to put our garbage, but I didn't thought they would put it this close in front of my door," she said. "We wasn't treated fair. We elect our commissioners to look out for the welfare of our community, and they took things in their own hands. We didn't know anything about this landfill coming in here until it was a done deal, and that's what make me very, very angry. When I talk about it, it upsets me and it run my blood pressure up."

Travis Vaughn, a reporter for the *Perry County Herald* who's been covering the coal ash situation since July, called Commissioner Turner's comments before Congress "asinine and ridiculous," and reiterated that Perry County was being taken advantage of by the government and the coal industry.

"We're politically insignificant, but more than that, our leaders are so eager to get their hands on money that they don't give a damn about what the people want," Vaughn said.

"They promise us all these benefits, and then nothing happens. They don't listen to us. They won't even show us any records. Two of our commissioners were elected based on their opposition to the landfill, and now they're two of the biggest cheerleaders for the stuff. It's the overall culture of corruption that breeds distress."

From the local level to the national level, many poor communities that are polluted with coal ash waste are concerned that they have very little political representation, and that Cass Sunstein's upcoming decision on the new EPA proposals will be influenced by coal industry lobbyists and representatives.

The coal industry has taken the position that the White House Office of Management and Budget should reject the EPA's proposals and continue to regulate coal ash as "non-hazardous" on the grounds that a "hazardous" classification would limit the beneficial uses of coal ash.

"We don't believe it's necessary to regulate coal ash as a hazardous waste, and that would cause a lot of issue with the fact that coal ash is being used for beneficial purposes, such as the construction of roads and bridges," said Tammy Ridout, a spokesperson for American Electric Power (AEP), which owns two major power plants near Meigs County. "It's used for mine reclamation, it's used in a lot of different applications that allow that ash not to be put in a landfill. So the benefits can outweigh the costs."

But AEP is certainly not unaware of the health risk posed by its plants, as it asked many residents living near its power plants to sign medical waivers.

"People were getting nose bleeds, headaches, acid burns on their faces from the emissions," Elisa Young told HuffPost. "So AEP said they hadn't done anything wrong, but they offered them three times their property value to leave and made people sign medical waivers saying they'd never be allowed to sue for medical problems."

AEP directed questions about health risks and coal ash toxicity to Jim Roewer, a registered lobbyist and executive director of the Utility Solid Waste Activities Group, a trade organization for the coal industry. Roewer said: "The metals that are in coal, some of them are captured in the ash when it's burned. The question of toxicity is one that relates to exposure to the ash. I don't know what kinds of cancers these people have had, and I'm not familiar with incidences of public health damages that have been attributed with exposure to coal ash. But hazardous waste regulations would affect a variety of stakeholders and their ability to use coal ash in beneficial ways."

Roewer has met with the White House Office of Management and Budget twice to discuss the ways that coal ash should be regulated, but he says that allegations that coal industry representatives have had more of an opportunity to influence the EPA and White House decisions than the people being affected by the coal ash are "bizarre."

It is not clear exactly what the new proposed regulations include or whether they are likely to pass, as Cass Sunstein and the White House have remained silent on the issue. The EPA would only discuss the proposal in general terms, releasing a statement that says: "Administrator Jackson is committed to ensuring the protection of public health and the environment regarding coal ash. This rule continues to be under review and we expect to issue a proposed rule in the near future."

The EPA has not yet taken up Elisa Young and Ohio Citizen Action on their invitation to visit Meigs County.

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Assume others are aware of, and/or have seen this report that was cited in Inside EPA this morning.

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Draft Study Finds ‘Hazardous’ EPA Ash Rules Could Shutter Coal Utilities

Preliminary findings by a key electric power research organization find that between 190 and 411 coal-fired power plants could be shuttered if EPA’s pending coal ash disposal rules regulate the waste as hazardous, which could boost an increasingly aggressive 11th-hour push by the utility industry to block any hazardous waste designation.

The Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), a research organization that does not advocate for particular policy outcomes, is studying the possible impacts on coal-fired power plants if EPA designates coal ash as hazardous in its upcoming, first-time Resource Conservation & Recovery Act (RCRA) rules for the waste. Utility lobbyists fear a hazardous designation would be a “game changer” that would boost costs and cause plant closures.

EPRI’s preliminary findings show a hazardous waste rule for coal ash could shutter from 190 to 411 coal-fired generation units in the Midwest, Mid-Atlantic, Texas and Southeast regions, Ken Ladwig, EPRI senior research manager, told a Dec. 10 House Energy & Commerce Committee environment panel hearing.

Additionally, Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs) that move electricity across several states would see drops of between 4 and 19 percent in generation capacity, according to Ladwig’s testimony at the hearing.

The largest RTO -- PJM Interconnection LLC which serves parts of Delaware, Illinois, Ohio, 11 other states and the District of Columbia -- would experience a 12 to 19 percent drop in generation capacity, the preliminary findings show. Texas

would suffer a 7 to 14 percent loss, the RTO for the Midwest would lose between 5 and 8 percent of its capacity, and the Southeast regulated areas could face between a 4 and 9 percent drop in capacity, Ladwig said.

Ladwig was among a number of stakeholders at the hearing, where environment subcommittee Chairman Edward Markey (D-MA) urged EPA to include first-time restrictions on the beneficial reuse of coal combustion waste as part of its pending RCRA coal ash proposal, warning that some beneficial reuses of coal ash can result in heavy metals within the ash leaching out and contaminating water supplies (*see related story*).

While Ladwig cautioned that the findings are preliminary, EPRI has presented some early results to the White House Office of Management & Budget (OMB), which is reviewing EPA's coal waste proposal, expected later this month. The results focus on the specific impacts on coal-fired power plants if they were required under a hazardous waste designation to switch from "wet" coal ash disposal in surface impoundments and other ponds to dry coal ash storage, for example in a landfill. Environmentalists say EPA's rules should ban any future wet disposal of coal ash.

EPRI has also had discussions with staff in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Office of Reliability about its report and the focus of future coal ash studies. A source with the Edison Electric Institute (EEI), which represents investor-owned utilities, says FERC wants to see a final report from EPRI before taking any action, but in the meantime the energy commission is coordinating with industry including EEI to examine the potential impacts on electricity reliability in the event EPA opts to regulate coal ash as hazardous (*Inside EPA* , Dec. 11).

While EPRI's draft findings that hazardous coal waste rules could shutter more than 400 coal-fired power plants are preliminary, the power industry could nevertheless get a boost from the findings in its opposition to EPA issuing any RCRA hazardous waste rules for coal ash.

Sources with EEI have previously said that any type of hazardous designation could be a negative "game changer" for the coal-fired power plant industry and raise the specter of power plants having to close down due to being unable to handle the massive new regulatory costs that such a designation would create.

EI has pursued an aggressive effort to have its industry members send letters to EPA opposing hazardous waste rules for coal ash and is also engaging in last-minute lobbying with OMB, the White House Council on Environmental Quality and other key Obama administration offices to try and win their opposition to hazardous waste rules.

EPA is pursuing first-time RCRA rules for the disposal of coal waste in the wake of a massive coal ash spill at a Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) facility in December 2008. Environmentalists argue that the spill shows that industry is inadequately handling the waste and that it highlights the dangers of wet disposal of coal ash. One informed source says that EPA may issue its proposal on Dec. 22, the first anniversary of the TVA spill.

EI argues that EPA should adopt new federal non-hazardous waste regulations under RCRA for waste management facilities where coal ash is stored, according to EI documents. EI has argued that regulating coal ash as non-hazardous waste is consistent with EPA's 2000 regulatory determination that "coal ash does not warrant regulation as a hazardous waste," according to both EI statements made earlier this year and sources with the trade association.

Various industry groups have also held a number of meetings with OMB in recent weeks, including the Portland Cement Association which met with OMB and EPA officials Nov. 17 to warn about negative associations a hazardous waste designation would have on coal ash, which could harm the beneficial reuse industry. Several power companies including American Electric Power, First Energy and Duke Energy have also recently met with OMB and EPA.

The informed source says there is reportedly significant opposition to EPA's preferred approach of regulating coal ash through a hybrid approach that would designate some coal ash disposal as hazardous and other types as non-hazardous solid waste, due to concerns about costs and minimal benefits. The source says that in addition to industry, other agencies may be raising concerns with EPA, but the agency appears hesitant to drop the hybrid plan.

EPRI is now internally reviewing a draft version of its report into how hazardous EPA waste rules for coal ash could impact power generation and grid reliability, expected for release sometime next year.

EPA is expected to declare at least some forms of coal ash, including those stored in wet impoundments, as hazardous waste subject to strict storage and handling requirements.

Once the research organization makes its report final next year it will formally submit the findings to EPA, FERC and OMB. A related ongoing EPRI report could emerge in 2010 providing an in-depth analysis of the cost of hazardous waste disposal, and wet-to-dry conversion of fly ash and bottom ash handling systems.

One of the barriers to a more detailed analysis before 2010 is uncertainty about the pending EPA regulations, Ladwig told the hearing. A more detailed analysis is a complicated undertaking that requires a specialized modeling system to assess the cost impacts from a change in regulation. For now, the report focuses on the preliminary results of how reliability would be impacted under potential EPA regulatory changes for coal-fired power plants.

Ladwig noted in his testimony that, “The magnitude of potential shutdowns in terms of lost capacity (resource adequacy) is only a partial picture of the regulatory impacts.”

Ladwig added that EPRI’s data is a preliminary analysis and that other metrics had not been examined, including electricity price impacts, job losses, “distributional equity (i.e., identification of who would benefit and who would bear the costs),” and secondary market impacts, such as impacts on coal mining, natural gas production and the “beneficial use markets” for coal ash, including concrete manufacturing and the construction industry. In a list of possible subjects to evaluate in the future, Ladwig also noted “transmission security impacts due to unit closures.”

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The Coal Ash Case

Just more than a year ago, one billion tons of toxic coal sludge broke loose from a containment pond belonging to the Tennessee Valley Authority, burying hundreds of acres of Roane County in eastern Tennessee and threatening local water supplies and air quality. The Environmental Protection Agency immediately promised new national standards governing the disposal of coal ash to replace a patchwork of uneven — and in many cases weak — state regulations.

The agency's recommendations, which have not been made public, are now the focus of a huge dispute inside the Obama administration, with industry lobbying hard for changes that would essentially preserve the status quo. The dispute should be resolved in favor of the environment and public safety.

America's power plants produce 130 million tons of coal ash a year, enough to fill a train of boxcars stretching from the District of Columbia to Australia. Some of this is usefully, safely and profitably recycled to make concrete and other construction materials. Much of it winds up in lightly regulated landfills, some as big as 1,500 acres, where toxic pollutants like arsenic and lead can leach into the water table.

One internal E.P.A. proposal suggested reclassifying coal ash as a hazardous material subject to federal regulation. It also recommended national standards requiring safe, sturdy disposal facilities. Industry counterattacked, arguing that the hazardous designation would ruin the recycling market and could trigger burdensome new investments. It also argued for continued state control, with the federal government providing "guidance."

These arguments do not hold up. The recycling market will not disappear. Materials that are responsibly recycled are not, typically, designated as hazardous. The real problem is the 60 percent or so of the coal ash that winds up in porous landfills. Evidence suggests that tough but carefully tailored rules could encourage even more recycling, protecting the environment while yielding income to help pay for more secure landfills.

This debate is being conducted behind closed doors, mainly at the Office of Management and Budget, where industry usually takes its complaints and horror stories. A better course would be to let the E.P.A. draft a proposal, get it out in the open and offer it for comment from all sides.

The Obama administration promised that transparency and good science would govern decisions like these.

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Here is the link to the Frontline story that ran last night about BP, which focused heavily on the debarment issue. The link below will lead you to the site with the piece that aired. The story below also captures it.

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Furious Growth and Cost Cuts Led To BP Accidents Past and Present

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Jeanne Pascal turned on her TV April 21 to see a towering spindle of black smoke slithering into the sky from an oil platform on the oceanic expanse of the Gulf of Mexico. For hours she sat, transfixed on an overstuffed couch in her Seattle home, her feelings shifting from shock to anger.

Pascal, a career Environmental Protection Agency attorney only seven weeks into her retirement, knew as much as anyone in the federal government about BP, the company that owned the well. She understood in an instant what it would take others months to grasp: In BP's 15-year quest to compete with the world's biggest oil companies, its managers had become deaf to risk and systematically gambled with safety at hundreds of facilities and with thousands of employees' lives.

"God, they just don't learn," she remembers thinking.

Just weeks before the explosion, President Obama had announced a historic expansion of deep-water drilling in the Gulf, where BP held the majority of the drilling leases. The administration considered the environmental record of drilling companies in the Gulf to be excellent. It didn't ask questions about BP, and it didn't consider that the company's long record of safety violations and environmental accidents might be important, according to Carol Browner, the White House environmental adviser.

They could have asked Jeanne Pascal.

For 12 years, Pascal had wrestled with whether BP's pattern of misconduct should disqualify it from receiving billions of dollars in government contracts and other benefits. Federal law empowers government officials to "debar"—ban from government business—companies that commit fraud or break the law too many times. Pascal was a senior EPA debarment attorney for the Northwest, and her job was to act as a sort of behind-the-scenes babysitter for companies facing debarment. She worked with their top management, reviewed records and made sure they were good corporate citizens entitled to government contracts.

At first, Pascal thought BP would be another routine assignment. Over the years she'd persuaded hundreds of troubled energy, mining and waste-disposal companies to quickly change their behavior. But BP was in its own league. On her watch she would see BP charged with four federal crimes—more than any other oil company in her experience—and demonstrate what she described as a pattern of disregard for regulations and for the EPA. By late 2009 she was warning the government and BP executives themselves that the company's approach to safety and environmental issues made another disaster likely.

A close look by ProPublica and PBS FRONTLINE at BP's explosive growth corroborated and expanded on Pascal's concerns. The investigation found that as BP transformed itself into the world's third largest private oil company it methodically emphasized a culture of austerity in pursuit of corporate efficiency, lean budgets and shareholder profits. It acquired large companies that it could not integrate smoothly. Current and former workers and executives said the company repeatedly cut corners, let alarm and safety systems languish and skipped essential maintenance that could have prevented a number of explosions and spills. Internal BP documents support these claims.

A ProPublica analysis of state and federal records revealed that BP has fared far worse in the United States than the rest of the industry in terms of spills and serious safety violations.

In Alaska, home to one of BP's longest-standing and most important business units, the company produced nearly twice as much oil as ConocoPhillips, the other major company operating there, but since 2000 it has also recorded nearly four times as many large spills of oil, chemicals or waste. In the Gulf of Mexico, BP had more spills than Shell between 2000 and 2009, even though Shell produced more oil there.

BP's workers also appear to be more at risk. In Alaska, it has had 52 worker-safety violations since 1990, compared with ConocoPhillips' seven. Nationally, according to an extensive analysis of data from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, BP had 518 safety violations over the last two decades, compared with 240 for Chevron and even fewer for its other competitors. Since those statistics were compiled, in 2009, OSHA has announced 745 more violations at two BP refineries, one near Toledo, Ohio, and the other in Texas City, Texas, where 15 people were killed and 170 injured in a 2005 explosion.

"They just weren't getting it," Jordan Barab, OSHA's deputy assistant secretary of labor, told ProPublica and FRONTLINE. In the last decade, OSHA records show that BP has been levied 300 times more in fines for refinery violations than any other oil company.

"BP's cost-cutting measures had really cut into their plant maintenance, into their training, into their

investment in new and safer equipment,” Barab said. “When you start finding the same problems over and over again, I think you are pretty safe in saying they've got a systematic problem.”

According to documents obtained exclusively by ProPublica and FRONTLINE, some of the inspectors BP was using to monitor its pipelines in Alaska, where two serious spills occurred in 2006, weren't properly certified or trained.

Even today, four years after former CEO Tony Hayward pledged to keep a “laser-like” focus on safety, maintenance on the massive turbines that run the company's Alaska plants has been deferred. Many of these facilities operate without fire and gas detectors, because theirs are outdated and are expensive to replace. Workers in Alaska told ProPublica they fear another deadly BP accident could happen at any moment.

The pattern extended to BP's Gulf of Mexico operations. BP's flagship \$1 billion Thunder Horse drilling platform nearly sank in 2005 after engineers installed ballast valves backward. And a federal lawsuit over safety concerns on another BP rig, Atlantis, was making its way through the courts even as the Deepwater Horizon exploded.

BP declined repeated requests for comment and for an interview with its new CEO, Robert Dudley. When sent a list of more than 30 questions, it replied with a three-paragraph statement saying that BP will establish a new safety division reporting directly to the CEO. Monday, in a press conference in London, Dudley said that he did not believe that BP is an unsafe company, and warned that the ProPublica and FRONTLINE report would be unflattering.

For Pascal, the explosion in the Gulf heightened the frustration she'd felt in the last months of her job. BP's Prudhoe Bay and Texas City units had been automatically blocked from government work on her watch—that's the minimum debarment action after a prominent air or water pollution crime in the United States—but she'd never been able get the company to change. She'd used all the normal tools to bring BP into what the government calls “compliance.”

The only thing she hadn't done was bring down the big hammer: the EPA's power to ban an entire company from doing business with the federal government.

Many companies have been debarred, but never has one as large as BP, or as important to the U.S. economy and security. Debarment would have severed BP's contracts with the American military and jeopardized the company's long-term access to reserves that generated nearly \$16 billion in revenue for the company last year. BP's stock price would likely have gone into a tailspin.

Now, with the Deepwater Horizon disaster unfolding on her TV screen, Pascal believed such a move was finally warranted.

Curious for more news, she called her old office in downtown Seattle. But the EPA was already in lockdown. Just weeks out of a 26-year EPA career, she was told she couldn't talk to her old team. She'd have to call the public affairs office if she wanted information.

Pascal then dialed another number, for Scott West, a retired EPA criminal investigator who had also worked the BP case. He, too, was enraged by what he saw happening in the Gulf, and reporters were pressing both of them for information. Together they decided they had an obligation to tell people

what they knew about the company at the core of this unfolding tragedy. If the public had known sooner, Pascal thought, perhaps the Deepwater Horizon disaster might have been prevented.

BP's Historic Ambition

BP's ascent to the top tiers of the oil industry hit full stride in 1995, when John Browne became CEO. The company was founded as the Anglo Persian Oil Company in 1909 but languished after Middle Eastern countries nationalized their oil in the 1970s. By the time Browne took over, it was so far behind Exxon and Shell, the world's largest independent oil companies, that it could hardly feel their tailwind.

Browne was an engineer who had practically been raised in BP's business. But with a passion for art and the London Opera, he was hardly a typical oilman. He did, however, have a vision for a bigger, sleeker BP.

In 1998 he put together what was at the time the largest merger in corporate history—the \$61 billion buyout of Amoco Corporation. By mid-2001 he had also bought ARCO and four other companies.

“We'll be the largest producer of oil in the non-OPEC world,” Browne said when he announced the ARCO merger.

On paper, the company quadrupled in value and became a huge global competitor overnight. Browne was hailed in Britain as the “Sun King,” and in 1999 BP's stock soared to what was then an all-time high.

BP's next challenge was not only to integrate its thousands of new employees and numerous industrial facilities, but to do it without increasing the company's already-significant debt.

Fadel Gheit, a managing director at the investment bank Oppenheimer, said that during the time of the mergers BP's debt ratio was at least 10 percentage points higher than was normal for the company.

"BP has historically maintained higher debt levels and debt ratios than its peers," he said. "It believed that debt is the cheapest source of capital." In contrast, he said, "U.S. majors Exxon and Chevron believe in low debt, or even no debt, and investors seem to like that."

Browne, with little wiggle room, brought the companies into the fold by slashing jobs and cutting costs. He squeezed out \$2 billion in savings from the Amoco merger alone.

At the same time he steamed ahead with extracurricular projects that Tony Hayward would later describe as distractions. Browne delivered speeches on climate change. He rebranded the company from British Petroleum to BP and added the “Beyond Petroleum” tagline to put it in a more cosmopolitan, ecological light.

But Browne and other senior managers weren't deeply engaged in the day-to-day operations of their facilities, and the disparate corporations they acquired were never fully integrated. More than a decade later, employees still identified themselves as ARCO, or Amoco, or wherever else they came from. And each of those cultures approached safety and maintenance differently.

“Growth creates challenges to management,” said Ronald Freeman, a former managing director for Salomon Smith Barney. “BP in this case just grows beyond its management ability to watch everything they need to watch when they need to watch it.”

While Browne reveled in the spotlight—he was even knighted by Queen Elizabeth—cracks began to appear in his burgeoning company, cracks that Jeanne Pascal would be among the first to spot.

The Government Was Warned

Pascal was assigned to BP in 1998, when the company’s Alaska division was settling a criminal case involving a contractor who had illegally dumped hundreds of gallons of toxic waste back into a well hole. It was the company’s first federal felony, Pascal’s first assignment to BP and the first dot in a crude portrait of what would shape up to look like a repeat offender.

Pascal was 49 at the time. An affable woman, with carefully coiffed hair and residual southern charm, she grew up in Tennessee and got a law degree from University of Memphis. After graduation she landed a job as a prosecutor in a small town north of Seattle and married a sheriff’s deputy.

But Pascal wanted to “make a difference,” and she decided to move into environmental law. She set her sights on getting a job with the EPA, and after sending her resume to the agency every month for a year, she was finally hired in 1984.

“I actually put the memo of hiring into a scrapbook,” she said.

By the time she was assigned to the BP case, Pascal had handled at least 600 EPA cases against large and small companies, usually juggling 25 to 50 at a time.

Almost any time a company is convicted of a crime it faces the possibility of a ban on federal contracts, or debarment. When debarment kicks in—or in some cases to avoid it in the first place—companies reach a settlement with the EPA that establishes benchmarks they must meet, so the government can eventually lift the sanctions.

In Pascal’s experience, most companies settled quickly and in good faith, and at first BP seemed to be following that path. After pleading guilty to felony charges, it avoided debarment by signing a settlement agreeing to five years of probation and promising to institute a “revised corporate attitude.” It pledged not to punish employees who reported environmental concerns and said it would spend \$15 million on an environmental management program for its operations in Alaska, Texas and the Gulf.

As part of the agreement, BP Exploration, the company’s Alaska division, also agreed that its Health, Safety and Environment director would report directly to the division president, so top executives couldn’t avoid hearing about serious safety concerns. The EPA identified this as one of the most important things BP could do to reform its safety culture in Alaska.

For several years, BP appeared to be complying with the agreement.

The monthly reports it sent to Pascal detailed the success of its maintenance and safety programs. Senior managers assured her personally of the company's progress when they met in the conference room of Seattle's Fairmont Hotel. There were a couple of accidents, but executives blamed irresponsible employees or assured her the problems had been fixed.

Then, in early 2004, Pasal was sitting at her desk at the EPA when she got a phone call from a BP mechanic who was a member of the United Steelworkers Union on Alaska's North Slope.

"There are awful things happening on this oilfield," Marc Kovac told her.

Kovac was referring to the facilities where he was working near the shore of the Arctic Ocean.

He described serious corrosion in some sections of pipeline and said BP was manipulating environmental inspection reports to show that the pipelines were fine. He told her that workers who complained about the problems had been fired. And he said that a leak—or worse, an explosion—could happen any day.

"I'm scared for my life," Pascal recalls Kovac telling her. "If you have a case against BP Alaska you don't want to let them go."

Pascal's phone kept ringing, and workers began sending her documents and internal company e-mails to support their claims. Among them were documents from the mid 1990s describing BP's decision to put off or cancel corrosion maintenance in order to save money and meet John Browne's budget targets. Other documents showed that BP had delayed replacing the gas detectors that warn of a potential explosion.

Pascal learned that a BP oil worker, Don Shugak, had been severely burned in 2002 after a well exploded in his face—and that BP had misled investigators about the cause of the accident. And she discovered that in 2003 the company had failed to report a small oil spill until after it had begun cleaning it up.

The BP case was turning into a case unlike any other she had handled. "I'd had whistleblowers come forth before, like one or two, maybe three," she said. "I've never had 35 to 40 people come before me."

Pascal was furious. It appeared that BP had deliberately misled her and had violated its compliance agreement, but she needed an investigation to find out for sure.

"I tend to take people at face value," she said. "One of the hardest moments of my life with BP was in the first six months of 2004 when I realized that I had been managed, and that I had been so easily manageable. They lied. I had swallowed their line hook, line and sinker."

Losing trust in BP was a hard lesson for Pascal, and the events of 2004 changed the way she approached the company in the six years that followed. For the first time she thought she might have to actually debar this company.

Pascal demanded that BP investigate the workers' claims. In a meeting in Seattle in late 2004, the

company's lawyers from the firm Vinson & Elkins showed the EPA an internal investigation that—while critical of BP in some aspects—dismissed many of the concerns.

“We did not find any evidence that the allegations regarding data fraud in the CIC program had merit,” the report stated, referring to the corrosion maintenance program.

Pascal remained convinced that an accident was inevitable. She shared her fears with the EPA's Criminal Investigation Division but said she was told that until an accident occurred, there was nothing to investigate.

Pascal then took her material to the Department of Justice.

“I said I had documents which showed the pipelines were in bad shape and that sooner or later there was going to be some kind of a failure,” she said.

An agent from the Federal Bureau of Investigation traveled to the North Slope to poke around but found nothing that could be knitted into a prosecution. The federal government, Pascal was again told, didn't have jurisdiction to interfere with oil and gas infrastructure unless a crime had been committed or an accident had already happened.

In the meantime BP's five-year probation period had run out, taking most of Pascal's leverage with it.

“I explored that with all kinds of people and I couldn't find a jurisdictional way in, other than to let it happen,” she said. “So we had to wait.”

A Deadly Disaster in Texas

It didn't take long for the disaster to happen—it just happened 4,600 miles from Prudhoe Bay.

On March 23, 2005 a tower used to boil hydrocarbons at BP's sprawling 1,200-acre Texas City refinery was overfilled as the system was being restarted. Fumes, and then volatile liquid, filled an antiquated “blow down drum” meant to catch the overflow and spewed from the top like a geyser. When the fumes reached the engine of a truck idling nearby, the place blew up.

The blast obliterated a nearby office trailer. Fifteen people died.

That night, in her quiet country home outside Seattle, Jeanne Pascal broke down in tears. This accident could have been avoided, she told her husband, Dallas Swank.

“She was fairly certain that when the dust settled that they were going to find out that this was due to lack of maintenance and all the same things happening in Alaska,” he said.

Pascal was right.

Though Texas City was a refinery, not a production field, the circumstances were nearly identical. The BP executive responsible for refining at the time, John Manzoni, was managing maintenance issues in Alaska in the 1990s, when some of the cost cutting described in the e-mails that workers

had sent to Pascal took place.

Texas City had been operating under budget cuts since BP took it over from Amoco in 1999. Workers—including the plant's manager—had explicitly warned top corporate executives that they didn't have the equipment or the resources to prevent a deadly explosion.

An internal BP safety report completed just months before the explosion said executives were “not in control of management of major hazards. The cost cutting has gotten to an extremely critical stage ... there is not any slack in the system.” It continued: “There is an exceptional degree of fear of catastrophic incidents.”

Manzoni, now the chief executive of Talisman Energy, based in Calgary, Alberta, declined to comment. BP also declined to answer questions.

Investigators later found that Texas City's isomerization unit—the refining tower that ignited—was relying on what is called a “blow-down drum,” a piece of equipment that was considered state of the art in the 1950s, to catch overflowing fuel. Amoco had been told to replace the drums as far back as 1977 but hadn't acted. BP considered switching them out in 2002 but held off because of the \$150,000 cost.

“Capital expenditure is very tight,” said an internal BP e-mail from management about the decision at the time. “Bank \$150k in savings now.”

The Texas City blast was the largest industrial disaster in the United States in decades. Former Secretary of State James Baker, who led an investigation into the accident on BP's behalf, said: “BP has not adequately established process safety as a core value.”

The explosion knocked BP, and John Browne, off their meteoric trajectory.

“BP gets it, and I get it too,” Browne would later say. “This has happened on my watch, and as chief executive I have a responsibility to learn from what has occurred. I recognize the need for improvement.”

The Largest Spill Ever on Alaska's North Slope

BP was still coming to terms with what had happened in Texas when disaster struck again, this time in Alaska.

At 5:58 a.m. on March 2, 2006, an Alaskan field operator radioed in an emergency “code black.” He had discovered an oil leak—a melted pool in a drift of pure white snow—near the central pipeline that gathers oil from the western half of the Prudhoe Bay oil field. Some 212,000 gallons—the largest spill ever on the North Slope—had leaked from a dime-sized hole in the line over three days. The pipeline's spill-detection alarm system had malfunctioned, failing to alert BP.

BP revealed that it had not “pigged” the line—the standard maintenance process, in which a bullet-shaped robot is run through the pipe to clean it and measure corrosion—in eight years, in part to save money.

Congressional investigators turned up a set of e-mails—including some of the same documents Pascal had taken to the Justice Department—explaining that BP had also stopped using chemical corrosion inhibitors on the pipelines, even though it knew that would increase the chance of a spill.

“Due to budget constraints, the decision has been made to discontinue the PW inhibitor,” a manager with BP’s corrosion program wrote in 1999. “The GC2 bulk tank should run out within the next two days and it will not be refilled.”

Three days later, a colleague responded, “I thought the PW lines were the ones in least control and therefore the ones we are most worried about.”

In an April 2005 exchange, BP’s corrosion management team discussed three ways to meet budget cuts: stop pigging, stop using chemicals to control corrosion or cut back inspections.

“We have huge infrastructure that is hanging on with no margin for error,” wrote Kip Sprague, a corrosion manager. “Bitch, bitch, bitch ... I will try to wrestle down some middle ground between the reality of the situation and some feel-good placeholders.” Sprague declined to comment on his e-mail.

Experienced oil workers said the Alaska spill was years in the making. Conditions in the 330-square mile drilling field are unusually harsh. Drilling operations are based in the town of Deadhorse, an industrial hashmark scratched out of the barren permafrost. It has an airport and thousands of temporary workers, but almost no year-round residents. In the winter, the sun never rises; in the summer, it never sets.

In the last miles before the shoreline of the Arctic Ocean, roughly 8 percent of America’s oil supply flows through an extraordinary network of oil wells and pipelines and dozens of factory-sized facilities, down through the TransAlaska Pipeline, south to the port of Valdez. From there, it is shipped to California and beyond.

The drilling rigs and pipelines on the North Slope were built in the 1970s, when it was expected the field would last maybe 15 years. But the oil deposits were much larger than expected, and BP has reaped unforeseen profits by pushing existing equipment to handle production for decades longer than was ever intended.

Marc Kovac, one of the mechanics who first complained to Pascal, told ProPublica that the company follows what he called a policy of “run to failure”—minimizing maintenance as it tries to squeeze the maximum possible production from each link in its chain of facilities. Now that the output of the North Slope has peaked, Kovac said BP managers see little incentive to upgrade equipment that will eventually be sold or abandoned.

The March 2006 spill jolted BP into crisis mode. In August Browne flew to Alaska to do damage control, touring the field with reporters and showing them how BP was attending to the mess.

But just two days later, a second smaller leak was discovered in the field’s major eastern oil artery. That pipe hadn’t been pigged since 1991, and an investigation found that 16 miles of it were severely corroded and could leak at any time.

As a precaution, the company cut off the entire flow of oil from the North Slope overnight, sinking BP's stock and sending oil prices skyward.

"Shutting down the whole oilfield seemed a little extreme," Browne wrote in *Beyond Business*, his memoir. "I knew the repercussions would be massive. ... I did not think things could get much worse."

Pascal was horrified—but not surprised—by what was unfolding. She also saw the opportunity she had been waiting for to help the North Slope whistleblowers.

"If a catastrophe has to occur to get others to belly up to the plate, it's regretful, but it may be necessary before real change will take place," she had written to Marc Kovac a year earlier. "I think this is win-able—the issue is at what cost."

Now that a spill had occurred in Alaska, the EPA could formally begin a criminal investigation of the workers' complaints. With Pascal's help, Scott West and the EPA's criminal investigation division quietly began work. Texas City was outside Pascal's jurisdiction at the time, but a separate criminal investigation had begun there, too.

Bob Malone, the newly appointed president of BP's American operations, told Congress there were "similarities" between the spills in Alaska and the Baker report on the explosion in Texas City. He acknowledged that the Prudhoe Bay spills were the result of "extreme" budget pressures and cost cutting that had discouraged preventative maintenance. He promised to create an independent ombudsman office so workers throughout the nation could communicate anonymously with management about safety concerns.

By the beginning of 2007, however, BP's board was growing impatient with Browne's now-numerous blunders. The scathing Baker report about the Texas City explosion came out just a week after BP learned that Browne had been having an affair with a man. According to news accounts and Browne's memoir, the company had already decided to replace him the following summer with Tony Hayward, a longtime BP executive who had worked closely with Browne for years. But before the switch could be made, news broke that Browne had lied under oath about meeting his partner through London's premier male escort service. He resigned the next day.

Years later, Browne wrote in his book that he still couldn't understand how the Alaskan oil transit lines had deteriorated so badly: "We had inspected the line regularly, so why had the corrosion accelerated so rapidly?"

BP's Inspectors May Not Have Been Qualified

One answer to Browne's question might lie in information that BP hadn't shared with Pascal, the public or congressional panels in 2006 and 2007: The inspection program the company relied on to check its pipelines was in disarray.

E-mails and letters obtained by ProPublica show that the main contractor BP was using to check its facilities, Acuren, employed inspectors who weren't certified to perform their jobs and may not have been properly trained. The certification issues affected at least 19 inspectors responsible for more

than 13,000 locations along the line and were serious enough that they were reported to BP's board of directors in London.

Concerns about the inspectors were raised in early 2007 by Acuren's training supervisor, Marty Anderson, according to an e-mail last year from BP's deputy ombudsman. Acuren had hired Anderson after the 2006 spill, first to oversee the inspection program and later to audit the program's overall effectiveness.

"He revealed a significant quality control breakdown in everything from the company's procedures ... to inadequate record keeping ... to having actually unqualified inspectors in the field performing inspections," Billie Garde, BP's deputy ombudsman, wrote to BP's general counsel. "The concerns were serious, and although people try to downplay the significance of the issues, they reveal a complete breakdown."

Anderson, who has more than 20 years' experience and has worked with companies including Shell and Chevron, couldn't tell ProPublica about his findings because he signed a confidentiality agreement with Acuren. But he confirmed that the company had, indeed, employed uncertified inspectors, and he explained in general terms why this was significant.

"The worst problem is to be certified but not qualified, because that means the person did not meet the qualification standard but yet someone testified that they did," Anderson said. "To me, that's fraud and could be a criminal offense."

BP and Acuren didn't respond to Anderson's complaints until he contacted the ombudsman's office.

"The procedure did not move quickly enough or with enough rigor at the beginning both on our side and on Acuren's side," said an internal BP memo.

Pascal also learned of Anderson's complaint. But since the ombudsman's office had already taken on the issue, she decided to sit back to observe how BP would respond.

In October 2007—14 months after the shutdown and seven months after Anderson first reported his findings—Doug Suttles, BP Alaska's president at the time and now the executive responsible for drilling in the Gulf of Mexico, began to act. BP hired an independent auditor and launched a three-part review of Acuren's inspection program that confirmed Anderson's claims. Acuren re-inspected more than 10,000 locations along the line. It also transferred two senior executives.

BP declined to answer questions about the inspection program, but BP later assured members of Congress that its inspectors were properly certified. Acuren did not respond to calls for comment.

Garde, the BP deputy ombudsman, said Acuren inspectors weren't responsible for the exact sections of the line that leaked in 2006 and that most of them were competent to perform their jobs. But she was troubled that BP hadn't uncovered the problems that Anderson found when it vetted the Acuren contract.

"BP has oversight responsibility of all of its contractors, and it should have identified these issues without the need for a worker to come forward and speak about them," Garde said. "It would be a

rare occasion to have another Marty Anderson in other contracts, and you can't rely upon that.”

Garde was also concerned about how Anderson was treated after he reported the problem. Instead of being praised for his vigilance, he suddenly had trouble finding another job.

“Marty became the subject of both overt and subtle retaliation by Acuren and BPXA personnel,” Garde wrote in a letter to BP’s general counsel. “There is no question that there remains a high degree of hostility toward Marty by Acuren for ‘getting them in trouble.’”

BP was “Too Top Down, Too Directive, and Not Good at Listening”

By late 2007, BP’s internal problems were no secret. They had helped push the company’s celebrity CEO out of his job, and Browne’s replacement, Tony Hayward, minced few words about why.

“We diagnosed ... a company that was too top down, too directive, and not good at listening,” he said in a speech to business students at Stanford.

“We failed to recognize we're an operating company. We had too many people that were working to save the world,” he continued, in a clear jab at Browne’s speeches on climate change.

Most famously, Hayward promised to turn the company around and to maintain a “laser-like focus” on safety. But it was unclear how he planned to do that.

In fact, soon after Hayward became CEO, BP’s Alaska division made a bold change that deemphasized safety and was a direct affront to Jeanne Pascal and the EPA: It removed the division’s Health, Safety and Environment director from a vice presidential position and dropped it several tiers down in the management hierarchy.

In Pascal’s first settlement with BP Alaska back in 1999, the company had agreed that the HSE director would report directly to the division president. But now HSE was being put into what the company calls a “technical directorate”—a group tasked with corrosion management and balancing maintenance with budget priorities.

“When you have environment and health and safety reporting to a business unit, what do you think gets the first attention?” Pascal said recently. “Business.”

Several former BP executives and managers say the move created a conflict because it meant that the person responsible for raising profits was also responsible for deciding how much to invest in safety. It also sent a clear message to employees that, in practice, safety was less important.

“Symbolism's important. The big stick's gone,” said a former BP executive. Like other executives and managers interviewed for this story he declined to be named because he did not want to be seen as working against BP.

A spokesman for BP Alaska told ProPublica that the reorganization was meant to clarify leadership authority at the top of the organization, improve efficiency and emphasize safety rather than diminish it.

“For someone to look at a line on an org chart and determine that we had devalued the importance of HSE—that would just be wrongheaded,” said the spokesman, Steve Rinehart. “I don’t think that anybody could spend much time working around BP Alaska and not see pretty clearly how focused that organization is on safety and HSE.”

In an October 2008 letter to BP’s attorneys, Pascal and Carson Hodges, her junior co-counsel on the BP case, demanded that the HSE group be placed back under the president. They also wanted a specific BP staff member selected as their liaison in ensuring that the company complied with an eventual debarment agreement—a guarantee to Pascal that she wouldn’t be duped again.

BP rebuffed the government’s demands.

“BP was very recalcitrant,” Pascal said. “It was turning into a major impasse.”

The HSE issue was critical because the communication gap between BP’s senior executives and its operational managers had caused problems for the company before.

“Good news traveled instantly and bad news didn’t travel at all,” Tony Hayward joked in that critical speech at Stanford.

When Bob Malone, the president of BP America, testified before Congress in late 2006, he swore that cost-cutting measures in Alaska hadn’t been a factor in the pipeline spill. He looked sheepish six months later when he testified again and had to admit that he hadn’t been aware of the extent of the cost-cutting program and that budget pressures had indeed compromised the pipeline.

After the Texas City explosion, BP’s head of worldwide refining, John Manzoni, gave a sworn statement that he, too, had been unaware of the cost-cutting pressures on the Texas City refinery and that he hadn’t been informed of the risks.

Pascal was beginning to wonder whether BP could be trusted to do business not just in Alaska but anywhere in the United States. A nationwide debarment had always been a possibility, but now it seemed it might actually be warranted. Such a move would cancel the billions of dollars in fuel contracts BP gets from the Department of Defense and prohibit BP from taking out new leases to drill on federal lands or waters. Since 39 percent of BP’s oil and gas production comes from U.S. territory, a nationwide debarment would have a critical impact on the company.

But Pascal wrestled with the implications. BP paid the federal government more than \$674 million in royalties in 2009 for its government leases, and it provides nearly 12 percent of the U.S. military’s fuel supply.

“The question is does the environmental damage outweigh the government’s need for and reliance on BP’s oil and gas?” she said.

BP Focused on Safety but Didn’t Make Things Safe

On the surface, BP appeared to be getting safer in the years leading up to the Deepwater Horizon disaster.

Signs went up warning workers to hang onto handrails. Employees were forbidden to run in icy conditions. Meetings started with safety sermons. And each time a BP employee parked a pickup truck, he had to place a small yellow raft under the drive train in case a drop of oil fell from the gear box.

The number of recordable safety incidents dropped. Even as its profits increased, BP managed to achieve an exceptional safety record in terms of lost man-hours, said Robert Bea, an industry veteran and engineering professor at the University of California, Berkeley, who is independently investigating the Gulf spill.

But something was missing.

In Alaska, many of the same system-wide maintenance issues the company had been criticized for ignoring in 2001 remained unfixed. The conditions of the pipelines were as much a concern to workers as they were before the Prudhoe Bay spill.

“Everything was around lost work days, or recordables,” said one former senior executive. “That was what the board wanted.”

While BP was focusing on slips, trips and falls it wasn’t paying enough attention to “low-probability, high-consequence systems failures lurking in the background,” Bea said.

Texas City was a good example, said Don Holmstrom, who headed an investigation into the refinery blast for the Chemical Safety Board, a government agency that investigates industrial accidents. In the months before the disaster there—just as on the Deepwater Horizon rig—BP had achieved an excellent safety record as measured by recordable injuries and lost man-hours. But after the blast—and after “safety” became the company’s staple refrain—the dangers persisted at Texas City. Four more workers have died in accidents there since 2005.

“Citing personal safety statistics as an indicator,” Holmstrom said, does “not necessarily speak to how well one is doing.”

If the safety stats touted in annual reports were mostly window dressing, then the maintenance and reinvestment in the performance of BP’s facilities—in what the company calls “operational performance”—were the structural studs holding up the business, and they were neglected.

Former BP executives say the company’s top management made too many maintenance decisions while peering into a spreadsheet and that it was difficult for them to justify to their bosses making long-term, preventative investments.

“It’s been a struggle,” said a former BP executive who asked not to be identified because he still works in the industry. “I’m not going to make more money this quarter, but I have to increase spending in order to have a long-term viable business. That’s hard. I was just always explaining or trying to explain what we were trying to do in a language that is not purely financial.”

Nowhere were the risks created by underinvestment as palpable as at the company’s Prudhoe Bay operations.

In September, 2008, Karl Massera was walking along a high-pressure gas pipeline when it suddenly blew apart. There was no fire, but a 28-foot-long section of steel vaulted through the air, landing with a thud on the Alaskan tundra a fifth of a mile away. Massera hit the ground, expecting to die, as the 10-ton steel pipeline whipped through the air like a wild snake. Shouting over the roar of the leaking gas, he radioed the control center to warn them not to shut down the field's electricity, because if they did, a spark could kill him. An electrical spark had once ignited an explosion in a similar incident and burned several nearby facilities to the ground.

Just 30 minutes after Massera radioed for help, another unrelated leak occurred on a separate line a couple of miles away.

A little more than a year later, a staging valve stuck closed at a large central compressor plant in Prudhoe Bay. Gas backed up, enveloping the facility in flammable fumes. Although flares had been installed to prevent a disaster like the one in Texas City, they weren't lit and didn't function. So the gas built up and spread around the plant. Sleeping barracks were nearby, and just a spark of static electricity in the bone-dry arctic air could have ignited an explosion that could kill hundreds of workers and shut down Alaskan oil production for years. That it never happened was just sheer luck.

Then, in November 2009, ice built up in a 25-year-old pipeline to the Alaska division's Lisburne Production Center—a facility so large that it dominates the horizon at the edge of the Arctic Ocean. The frozen line eventually split open, dumping nearly 46,000 gallons of crude oil, toxic wastewater and natural gas onto the frozen ground. BP had been warned by workers months before the spill that numerous problems at Lisburne were increasing the risk of such an accident.

The incidents enflamed Pascal's distrust, and she began to ratchet up her demands that BP agree to a set of rigid checks in order to fend off debarment. BP's progress reports on its maintenance projects were no longer good enough. Now she demanded receipts.

"I was no longer willing to accept their word," she said. "Show me, what did you maintain? I want to see what you paid, who you paid. What did you replace? I wanted the details."

"They did not like that at all," she added.

ProPublica gave BP a detailed list of questions about each of these incidents and asked for examples of how the company had strengthened operational safety in Alaska since 2001. But BP's response did not address the incidents or the Alaska safety issues.

The End of the Line

By the end of the decade Pascal again began to think that the only way to make the company improve was to debar the entire corporation. "There comes a point where the events conspire to basically show federal regulators that a particular company, for whatever reason, has no intent of complying with U.S. law and regulations," she said.

The company now had three criminal convictions—in Endicott Bay, Texas City and Prudhoe Bay—and a deferred criminal conviction in a price-fixing scandal. It also had a record of ongoing problems and employee harassment.

Pascal began carrying the completed debarment papers tucked under her arm as she made her way into work. Yet she still held to one last hope that a compromised compliance agreement could be reached.

By 2009 her demands included extra regulations and oversight of BP operations not just in Texas and Alaska, but also in the Gulf. It included moving the HSE group back up in the company command.

Pascal, at this point, was on the verge of retirement—she had promised herself she would leave at the age of 60. But she postponed her departure several times in order to see the BP case through. She said company executives acted confident—“arrogant”—as if they believed BP was so important that the U.S. government would never dare to debar it. “BP told me multiple times that they had direct access to the White House and they would go there.”

In a last-ditch effort, she decided to call the company’s bluff. If BP thought the Defense Department needed it so badly it would never allow debarment, Pascal would show them they were wrong.

In the spring of 2009 she called a meeting with BP’s new general counsel, Jack Lynch, at the Fairmont in Seattle to show him an e-mail her office had received from the Defense Department. In it, an official with the Defense Logistics Agency, the division responsible for BP’s fuel contracts, offered unconditional support for debarment.

“You could do anything you wanted to BP and we could deal with it,” the official, Normand Lussier, wrote, adding that he didn’t think defense concerns should play into Pascal’s judgment.

The message was clear. The government was united in its concern about BP. Now the company needed to act.

Pascal thought she had reached a turning point with BP. Lynch was new to his job, and she said he seemed genuinely intent on reaching a resolution.

But months passed, and still the agreement wasn’t signed. Pascal began to suspect that BP was waiting her out.

Her concern grew when she learned that Marty Anderson, the inspection supervisor who had raised the alarm about BP’s pipeline inspection program in Alaska, was accusing the company of blacklisting him. Here she was, working out a final agreement that pivoted around open safety communication between workers and their managers, and the company appeared to be punishing the man who had raised a flag about one of its worst spills in a decade.

“It appears that BP, regardless of its code of conduct and statements to the government, will do whatever is necessary to cover up the improper actions of its senior managers,” she and Hodges, her junior co-counsel, wrote in an e-mail to Lynch and BP Alaska’s new president, John Minge, on January 19, 2010. “This promotes intimidation, retaliation, blackballing and unethical behavior in the management ranks, and a culture of fear and lack of ethics in the employee ranks.”

“Nothing has been done in TWO YEARS,” the letter continued. “This is a current graphic example of why EPA does not trust BP.”

When she wrote that letter, Pascal had all but made up her mind. If BP didn't sign the settlement agreement soon, she would double back on her case, make sure the documents behind her claims were rock solid and send the debarment papers up the flagpole for a final signature from the EPA's suspension and debarment official.

Two days later, Pascal was walking into the elevator at the EPA's downtown Seattle offices when her foot caught on an uneven lip at the door. She fell, hard, and was taken to a hospital, her face bruised, her rotator cuff so badly torn that her doctor said it was one of the worst shoulder injuries he'd seen.

For a few weeks, she tried to work from home. But she needed surgery and faced a six-month recovery period before she would be able to resume her full workload. She couldn't type. She couldn't drive. She couldn't even raise her arm to put a dish in the microwave.

On March 1, Jeanne Pascal submitted her retirement papers, leaving the BP case she had worked on for nearly 12 years unresolved.

The decision about whether or not to finally debar BP now falls to Carson Hodges, Pascal's former junior co-counsel. The EPA confirmed to ProPublica that it suspended its settlement negotiations with BP after the Gulf disaster and that it will add whatever findings result from the Gulf investigations to any future settlement. Neither Hodges or the EPA would comment for this story.

Pascal, for what it's worth, has finally reached her decision.

“I have to conclude that BP has a corrupt culture, and had I arrived at that conclusion while I was handling the case I would have immediately debarred them,” she said last week. “I would have just let the chips fall where they may.”

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Lisa Evans e-mail

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Lisa--

I want you to know that I sincerely appreciate the time and effort that you have dedicated to the coal ash rule. I believe Emily has spoken with Dru and explained how I was misquoted by Jeff Goodell in his Rolling Stone blog today. I have contacted Jeff, and I am hoping that he will publish a clarification. While I stated in a brief email to Jeff, in response to his query, that EPA was working hard to complete the rule, I also relayed your statement that completion this year was unlikely-- not that the rule would not be completed until 2013.

I hope that we can continue to have frank conversations and work together productively on this important issue. I regret any problems this blog created.

Sincerely,
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Subject Final Speech -- in full

Administrator Lisa P. Jackson**Good Jobs Green Jobs****February 8, 2011****As prepared for delivery.**

Thank you for inviting me and my administration colleagues who will be here to speak with you. We are deeply appreciative for the opportunity to weigh in on some of the critical issues we're facing.

As you all know...as President Obama has said many times...as anyone in any community in America will tell you, the top priority of this administration is to spark the creation of good jobs for American workers.

Today I want to talk about why protecting human health and the environment is an important part of that broad effort.

The fact is that updating environmental standards – which we do to protect American families from mercury, acid gases and other toxic pollutants that cause asthma and lung disease especially in children – create a good economic climate for investment and good jobs for American workers.

Since EPA's inception, we have heard concerns that the costs of meeting reasonable health standards hurt bottom lines and prevent job creation.

But in truth updating environmental standards not only close pollution loopholes but level the playing field and provide certainty to business.

In fact, we have reaped widespread economic benefits by facing our health and environmental challenges. And we have the opportunity to continue to do so today.

Take an obvious example like energy efficiency. A 2009 study estimated that \$520 billion invested in energy efficiency today would net \$1.2 trillion dollars in energy cost savings through 2020^[1].

\$2 in savings for every dollar invested.

That is one reason President Obama visited Penn State last week, where they're working to make America home to the most energy efficient buildings in the world.

There, the President announced the "Better Buildings Initiative," which aims to achieve a 20 percent improvement in energy efficiency by 2020.

That initiative – which will significantly reduce pollution in our air – is set to reduce companies' and business owners' energy bills by about \$40 billion per year.

It will save energy by reforming outdated incentives and challenging the private sector to act. And when we talk about "challenging the private sector to act," we're talking about creating good jobs.

For those reasons and more, we want to make environmental protection and environmental technology a central piece of our effort to win the future.

Along with some very difficult spending cuts, the President is calling for investments in our schools and teachers, our innovators and small businesses, and the infrastructure that keeps our economy running – essential ingredients to a robust green economy.

Like any good business, we want to invest in the places that will bring the highest return.

To win the future we need the best-educated workforce – like the students I just met at St. Philips College in San Antonio, Texas.

This community college is training students in cutting edge clean energy technology and putting it to work to help power their school – all to prepare for the clean energy jobs we can help create.

To win the future, we need the strongest infrastructure – like across the state of Texas in El Paso, where they are pioneering the installation of charging stations for electric vehicles.

That kind of infrastructure is going to be critical to meet this Administration's goal to have one million advanced technology vehicles on the road by 2015.

And of course, that's just the beginning. We will need the best roads, bridges and airports to carry products and people.

We will need a reliable smart grid to efficiently carry clean energy.

We will need a robust information infrastructure to connect students and teachers, innovators and entrepreneurs, companies and consumers – and to unleash the possibilities of collaboration and exploration.

And while we're at it, it's critical that we have a modern environmental infrastructure to safeguard clean water and air, and protect the lands where we build homes and schools and businesses.

Winning the future also means winning the race for innovation.

The history of environmental protection has been a history of innovation. Innovation made everything we do cleaner, healthier and more efficient – and led to the creation of good jobs.

The catalytic converters that are manufactured to reduce toxic air pollution from our cars, the invention of more effective water treatment mechanisms to free our drinking water of lead, or smoke stack scrubbers that are installed to keep sulfuric acid pollution out of the air we breathe mean new orders for American companies and jobs for American workers.

Innovation is our future as well. I saw that on display a few weeks ago in Cincinnati, where I joined Administrator Karen Mills from the US Small Business Administration to announce a Water Technology Innovation Cluster – a partnership between EPA's labs and a cluster of local entrepreneurs and businesses working on water technology innovation that will address contaminants and better protect our health.

It's what I saw the next day too, when I traveled to Ann Arbor with the CEO of Chrysler to announce that EPA is teaming up with the auto maker to develop hydraulic hybrid technology in American vehicles – an innovation that can increase fuel economy by 35 percent – not to mention decrease air pollution.

EPA's plays an important role in each of these efforts. But we have another unique and important role in job creation.

Our most fundamental responsibility is protecting the health of the American people. And it's something they would refuse to do without.

When people turn on the shower or make a cup of coffee, they want their water protected from industrial pollution and untreated sewage. They want to be able to drive without breathing dangerous lead pollution. When each of us sits down to eat lunch, I'm sure we prefer our food with more, not less, protection from pesticides.

Those health protections mean a more productive workforce....fewer sick days for employees...and consumers that are spending less on medical bills and more on the economy.

The Clean Air Act alone – just one signature environmental and health law – has provided trillions of dollars in health benefits to the American people. And since its inception, air pollution has dropped over the last 40 years while our national GDP has risen by 207 percent.

The total benefits of the Clean Air Act amount to more than 40 times the costs of regulation. For every one dollar we have spent, we get more than \$40 of benefits in return.

Say what you want about EPA's business sense, but we know how to get a return on an investment.

The irony is that one of the most economically successful programs in American history is also one of the most economically maligned. It is a perfect example of why we must shift this conversation.

In a time of such polarized debates, we need to take a step back and recognize that environmental protection and economic growth can – and do – go hand in hand.

At this very moment, EPA scientists and technicians are working side-by-side with innovative small businesses in Cincinnati and developing technology in collaboration with one of Detroit's Big Three.

EPA thrives on the innovation and entrepreneurship of our open markets, which have given us products like the catalytic converter and smokestack scrubbers. Rather than harming growth, EPA's health standards help create opportunities and certainty for business to grow and thrive.

This is not just a theoretical idea. Recent EPA research on a number of reputable economic studies has shown a clear connection between reasonable health safeguards and job creation.

Our research indicates that environmental protection – in the form of safeguards and standards that protect our health, and that the American people demand – is responsible for net positive job gains all across the country.

In other words, environmental protection creates jobs – 1.7 million of them as of 2008.^{[\[2\]](#)}

The environmental protection industry has grown steadily between 2000 and 2008, yielding approximately \$300 billion in revenues.^{[\[3\]](#)}

Recognizing these job creating possibilities is critical in this moment.

It is important as special interests try to gut safeguards – like the Clean Air Act – that EPA has worked under for decades - and find loopholes for big polluters to skirt other commonsense health protections.

It is important to recognize these possibilities at a time when American companies have a record amount of cash holdings and liquid assets.

The Wall Street Journal recently reported that number as \$1.93 trillion dollars.

Even a portion of those funds invested in developing and installing new pollution control technology would result in good jobs for American workers.

But we know companies need regulatory certainty before they will invest and create those jobs.

It's something we've seen before. A 2010 study from the Institute of Clean Air Companies estimated that since 2003 the implementation of CAIR Phase 1 resulted in 200,000 jobs in the air pollution control industry alone^[4].

The number of boilermakers in the United States increased by 6,700 – 35 percent – from 1999 to 2001 as a result of the EPA's standards to implement the Clean Air Act.^[5]

Or consider the auto industry. For many years they faced a patchwork of state regulations, with little long-term clarity.

President Obama brought together all the stakeholders – from the auto companies and autoworkers to the environmental groups and state governments – to find a path forward.

And now, the clean cars program will result in cleaner air, savings at the gas pump for American drivers and certainty for auto companies.

Not long ago, Chrysler committed to adding 1,000 new engineers and technicians to work

on small and midsize cars. General Motors plans to hire 1,000 people in Michigan to develop low-emission electric vehicles.

That could be the story across any number of sectors of our economy. Many American CEOs have made clear that they don't object to sensible standards out of hand. But if they don't know where and when to invest their dollars, they will hold back job-creating resources.

The alternative is to provide that certainty, and encourage the hiring of new workers to build, install, maintain and operate clean technology.

And let me say a few words about the jobs that are created.

First, the labor-intensive jobs installing, maintaining and operating pollution control technology at American facilities can't be sent overseas.

Second, they create opportunities for individuals with a wide range of skills. Workers that will be needed in everything from research, design and engineering to construction, installation and maintenance. There will be opportunities for laboratory scientists, as well as pipefitters, welders and iron workers.

One study explained that environmental protection resulted in broad economic stimulus, including "standard jobs for accountants, engineers, computer analysts, clerks, factory workers."^[6]

Third, many of the facilities that would invest in upgrades are located in industrial centers – communities where good jobs are needed most.

Investments in clean tech for those facilities would create opportunities for the unemployed and under-employed in many struggling communities.

Finally, creating those jobs on our shores can help us sell new technology overseas. Huge markets await firms that develop and produce innovative clean tech.

The annual world market for environmental goods and services has been estimated above \$700 billion, making it comparable with the aerospace and pharmaceutical industries. ^[1]

America currently leads the world in this industry. We should not forfeit that lead and miss out on the extraordinary opportunities to supply the world with environmental technology stamped "Made in the USA."

The bottom line is this: we can protect the health of millions of American families and do so in a way that will benefit the economy.

We can do that by out-educating, out-building and out-innovating our competitors. And by using commonsense regulations to spark innovation, reduce toxic pollution, and put people to work protecting our health and our environment.

Thank you for all you've done and are doing in this effort. I look forward to continuing our work together. Thank you.

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Subject Final Statement on West Virginia Announcement -- Being Issued Now

STATEMENT FROM EPA ADMINISTRATOR LISA P. JACKSON

"Today's announcement from West Virginia's State government is a critical acknowledgement of the substantial environmental, water and health impacts that result from mountaintop mining operations. EPA's responsibility under the Clean Water Act is to ensure that mining activities do not degrade water quality used by communities, and we intend to ensure this requirement is met.

"The most effective path forward now is to work together to develop mining policies that protect the environment, ensure public health, and are cost-effective. The approval earlier this week of the Hobet 45 permit in West Virginia is an example of what can be achieved when mining operators work with EPA to develop their plans. The Hobet 45 mine permanently protects streams, maximizes coal recovery and reduces costs.

"Today's announcement from West Virginia puts us on a path towards closer coordination and dialogue among key stakeholders, from federal and state authorities to industry to environmentalists. EPA is committed to working with all parties to ensure that our country's energy, including coal based generation, is produced in a safe, healthier, and sustainable manner. That is the future of energy and the right future for coal. EPA will continue to rely on the best available science to evaluate mining projects and we strongly encourage West Virginia officials to work in conjunction, not apart, from EPA to develop future mining policy proposals that seek to protect water quality."

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Subject Background on Salt Lake Mayor and Filmmaker Coming Today

Mayor Becker of Salt Lake City is confirmed for the event and so is Bill Haney, the filmmaker behind the anti-mountain top mining film, "The Last Mountain." A bio for Becker and the Hollywood Reporter's review of the film are below. What's important to know about the film is that, through its exhibition here at Sundance, it's been "picked up" by a company called Dada, which will release the film theatrically this coming June. I'm still trying to get a copy for us to take home.

Mayor Ralph Becker Biography

Over 30 years ago, Salt Lake City Mayor Ralph Becker was taken by the same allure that brought many residents to Utah's Capital City, drawn by the area's unique mix of geographic beauty, metropolitan energy and year-round recreational opportunities.

Ralph earned two graduate degrees at his new home's University of Utah – a Master's in Planning and a JD – after completing undergraduate work at the University of Pennsylvania in 1973. He served as the Utah State Planning Coordinator under Governor Scott Matheson and then went on to launch his own Salt Lake City-based consulting firm, Bear West, specializing in community planning, environmental assessment, public lands use and public involvement before acting on his long-held desire to serve the public.

Elected to the Utah State Legislature in 1996, Ralph was a member of the House of Representatives for 11 years and battled for the issues most important to his Avenues constituents. He served in legislative leadership positions for most of that tenure, including five years as House Minority Leader.

In 2008, Ralph brought this considerable body of education, experience and engagement with local issues to his new office of Mayor of Salt Lake City.

In the first three years of his first term, Mayor Becker has greatly expanded transportation options for the City's residents and visitors, with a special focus on public transit, trails and bikeways. He also championed the state's first municipal protections in the areas of employment and housing for the City's LGBT community – an effort that has since been replicated by Salt Lake County and over a dozen local governments throughout Utah. Under Mayor Becker's leadership, City government has become much more transparent, and new opportunities have been created for residents to engage and participate in the decision making process.

Mayor Becker is a leader who has made, and will continue to make, collaboration and partnerships an essential element in his efforts to see Salt Lake City as an even more vibrant, liveable and sustainable community for its current residents and into the future.

Mayor Becker is an avid outdoorsman who, when he is away from work, can be found backcountry skiing, river running or backpacking. He is also the proud father of two sons and a 17-year-old granddaughter.

HOLLYWOOD REPORTER REVIEW OF "THE LAST MOUNTAIN"

PARK CITY — (U.S. Documentary Competition) In the tradition of great advocacy documentaries, "The Last Mountain" makes a powerful case against the coal mining industry in West Virginia. Films like this are largely preaching to the choir -- opponents are unlikely to go near it. But its importance cannot be underestimated.

As a call to arms for sympathetic viewers, the film is informative, stirring, and most importantly, inspiring, and should resonate for a likeminded audience.

This is a documentary with a point of view and director **Bill Haney** makes no bones about trying to be fair and balanced. The visuals and facts speak eloquently for themselves. In the valleys of Appalachia, big coal companies like Massey Energy are blowing the tops off mountains to enhance profits, leaving the once lush forests looking like a lunar landscape. In this unfortunate region, Coal Mountain is the last mountain.

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. serves as kind of an environmental host as he gets involved in the case to save Coal Mountain and goes around meeting local activists and confronts the president of the West Virginia Coal Association. It is encouraging to witness the commitment of ordinary West Virginians like Maria Gunnoe and Bo Webb who have seen too much to stand by any longer.

Mountaintop removal has destroyed 500 Appalachian mountains, decimated 1 million acres of forest, and buried 2000 miles of streams. Flashing the figures on the screen in bold graphics is a bit distracting, but there is no denying their impact. Haney and his team have rounded up an impressive collection of academics, writers, and organizers from around the country, but it is the locals who tell the story most powerfully.

The flattening of mountains is not just an aesthetic disaster; it destroys the area's eco-system, pollutes the water, spreads toxic silicon dust, and adversely affects the health of children. In one heartbreaking scene, a resident walks around and points out the homes of six of her neighbors who died of brain tumors. Equally moving is the story of Ed Wiley, a former Massey contractor who turned activist when he saw the damage being done to his granddaughter. Together they make a trip to plead with Democratic Governor **Joe Manchin**, who is proud to be a "friend of coal."

As the film demonstrates, the fight against big coal is not a popular struggle in West Virginia and often pits neighbors against neighbors. Almost everyone here has ties to the mining industry, and for many it's inconceivable to bite the hand that feeds them. Which makes the struggle of these rag tag crusaders even more heroic.

The film is strongest when it stays local, and side trips to Pennsylvania and Rhode Island seem like unnecessary digressions. But as Haney and his co-writer (and editor) **Peter Rhodes** point out, coal accounts for half of the electricity produced in the U.S. and it is a national environmental issue. The Last Mountain admirably presents the truth for anyone who wants to see it.

Venue: Sundance Film Festival, U.S. Documentary competition (DADA Films)

Uncommon Productions

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Screenwriter: Bill Haney, Peter Rhodes

Producer: Clara Bingham, Eric Grunebaum, Bill Haney

Executive producer: Tim Disney, Tim Rockwood

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**Remarks of President Barack Obama – As Prepared for Delivery
U.S.-China Strategic and Economic Dialogue
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July 27, 2009**

Good morning. It's an honor to welcome you to the first meeting of the Strategic and Economic Dialogue between the United States and China. This is an essential step forward in advancing a positive, constructive, and comprehensive relationship between our countries. I'm pleased that President Hu shares my commitment to a sustained dialogue to enhance our shared interests.

President Hu and I both felt that it was important to get our relationship off to a good start. Of course, as a new President and as a basketball fan, I have learned from the words of Yao Ming, who said – "No matter whether you are new or an old team member, you need time to adjust to one another." Well, through the constructive meetings that we have already had, and through this dialogue, I am confident that we will meet Yao's standard.

I want to acknowledge the remarkable American and Chinese leaders who will Co-Chair this effort. Hillary Clinton and Tim Geithner are two of my closest advisors, and they both have extraordinary experience working with China. I know that they will

have extremely capable and committed Chinese counterparts in State Councilor Dai and Vice Premier Wang.

I also look forward to the confirmation of an outstanding U.S. Ambassador to China, Governor Jon Huntsman. Jon has deep experience living and working in Asia, and – unlike me – he speaks fluent Mandarin Chinese. He also happens to be a Republican who co-chaired Senator McCain’s campaign. I think that demonstrates Jon’s commitment to serving his country, and the broad, bipartisan support for positive and productive relations between the United States and China.

Today, we meet in a building that speaks to the history of the last century. It houses a national memorial to President Woodrow Wilson, a man who held office when the 20th century was still young, and America’s leadership in the world was emerging. It is named for Ronald Reagan, a man who came of age during two World Wars, and whose presidency helped usher in a new era of history. And it holds a piece of the Berlin Wall, a decades-long symbol of division that was finally torn down, unleashing a rising tide of globalization that continues to shape our world.

One hundred years ago – in the early days of the 20th century – it was clear that there were momentous choices to be made – choices about the borders of nations and the rights of human beings. But in Woodrow Wilson’s day, no one could have foreseen the arc of history that led to a wall coming down in Berlin, nor could they have imagined the conflict and upheaval that characterized the years in between. For people everywhere – from Boston to Beijing – the 20th century was a time of great progress, but that progress also came with a great price.

Today, we look out on the horizon of a new century. And as we launch this dialogue, it is important for us to reflect upon the questions that will shape the 21st century. Will growth be stalled by events like our current crisis, or will we cooperate to create balanced and sustainable growth, lifting more people out of poverty and creating a broader prosperity? Will the need for energy breed competition and climate change, or will we build partnerships to produce clean power and to protect our planet? Will nuclear weapons spread unchecked, or will we forge a new consensus to use this power for only peaceful purposes? Will extremists be able to stir conflict and division, or will we unite on behalf of our shared security? Will nations and peoples define themselves solely by their differences, or can we find the common ground necessary to meet our common challenges, and to respect the dignity of every human being?

We cannot predict with certainty what the future will bring, but we can be certain about the issues that will define our times. And we also know this: the relationship between the United States and China will shape the 21st century, which makes it as important as any bilateral relationship in the world. That reality must underpin our partnership. That

is the responsibility we bear.

As we look to the future, we can learn from our past – for history shows us that both our nations benefit from engagement that is grounded in mutual interests and mutual respect. During my time in office, we will mark the 40th anniversary of President Nixon's trip to China. At that time, the world was much different than it is today. America had fought three wars in East Asia in just thirty years, and the Cold War was in a stalemate. China's economy was cut off from the world, and a huge percentage of the Chinese people lived in extreme poverty.

Back then, our dialogue was guided by a narrow focus on our shared rivalry with the Soviet Union. Today, we have a comprehensive relationship that reflects the deepening ties among our people. Our countries have now shared relations for longer than we were estranged. Our people interact in so many ways. And I believe that we are poised to make steady progress on some of the most important issues of our times.

My confidence is rooted in the fact that the United States and China share mutual interests. If we advance those interests through cooperation, our people will benefit, and the world will be better off – because our ability to partner with each other is a prerequisite for progress on many of the most pressing global challenges.

First, we can cooperate to advance our mutual interest in a lasting economic recovery. The current crisis has made it clear that the choices made within our borders reverberate across the global economy – and this is true not just of New York and Seattle, but Shanghai and Shenzhen as well. That is why we must remain committed to strong bilateral and multilateral coordination. And that is the example we have set by acting aggressively to restore growth, prevent a deeper recession and save jobs for our people.

Going forward, we can deepen this cooperation. We can promote financial stability through greater transparency and regulatory reform. We can pursue trade that is free and fair, and seek to conclude an ambitious and balanced Doha Round agreement. We can update international institutions so that growing economies like China play a greater role that matches their greater responsibility. And as Americans save more and Chinese are able to spend more, we can put growth on a more sustainable foundation – because just as China has benefited from substantial investment and profitable exports, China can also be an enormous market for American goods.

Second, we can cooperate to advance our mutual interest in a clean, secure, and prosperous energy future. The United States and China are the two largest consumers of energy in the world. We are also the two largest emitters of greenhouse gases in the world. Let's be frank: neither of us profits from a growing dependence on foreign oil, nor can we spare our people from the ravages of climate change unless we cooperate.

Common sense calls upon us to act.

Both of our countries are taking steps to transform our energy economies. Together we can chart a low carbon recovery; we can expand joint efforts at research and development to promote the clean and efficient use of energy; and we can work together to forge a global response at the Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen and beyond. And the best way to foster the innovation that can increase our security and prosperity is to keep our markets open to new ideas, new exchanges, and new sources of energy.

Third, we can cooperate to advance our mutual interests in stopping the spread of nuclear weapons. Make no mistake: the more nations acquire these weapons, the more likely it is that they will be used. Neither America nor China has an interest in a terrorist acquiring a bomb, or a nuclear arms race breaking out in East Asia. That is why we must continue our collaboration to achieve the denuclearization of the Korean peninsula, and make it clear to North Korea that the path to security and respect can be traveled if they meet their obligations. And that is why we must also be united in preventing Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon, and urging the Islamic Republic to live up to its international obligations.

This is not about singling out any one nation – it is about the responsibility of all nations. Together, we must cooperate to secure all vulnerable nuclear materials around the world, which will be a focus of our Global Nuclear Summit next year. And together, we must strengthen the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty by renewing its basic bargain: countries with nuclear weapons will move toward disarmament; countries without nuclear weapons will not acquire them; and all countries can access peaceful nuclear energy. A balance of terror cannot hold. In the 21st century, a strong and global regime is the only basis for security from the world's deadliest weapons.

And fourth, we can cooperate to advance our mutual interests in confronting transnational threats. The most pressing dangers we face no longer come from competition among great powers – they come from extremists who murder innocents; from traffickers and pirates who pursue their own profit at the expense of others; from disease that knows no borders; and from suffering and civil wars that breed instability and terror. These are the threats of the 21st century. And that is why the pursuit of power among nations must no longer be seen as a zero-sum game. Progress – including security – must be shared.

Through increased ties between our militaries, we can diminish causes for dispute while providing a framework for cooperation. Through continued intelligence-sharing, we can disrupt terrorist plots and dismantle terrorist networks. Through early warning and coordination, we can check the spread of disease. And through determined diplomacy, we must meet our responsibility to seek the peaceful resolution of conflict –

and that can begin with a renewed push to end the suffering in Darfur, and to promote a comprehensive peace in Sudan.

All of these issues are rooted in the fact that no one nation can meet the challenges of the 21st century on its own, nor effectively advance its interests in isolation. It is this fundamental truth that compels us to cooperate. I have no illusions that the United States and China will agree on every issue, nor choose to see the world in the same way. But that only makes dialogue more important – so that we can know each other better, and communicate our concerns with candor.

For instance, the United States respects the progress that China has made by lifting hundreds of millions of people out of poverty. Just as we respect China's ancient culture and remarkable achievements, we also strongly believe that the religion and culture of all peoples must be respected and protected, and that all people should be free to speak their minds. That includes ethnic and religious minorities in China, as surely as it includes minorities within the United States.

Support for human rights and human dignity is ingrained in America. Our nation is made up of immigrants from every part of the world. We have protected our unity and struggled to perfect our union by extending basic rights to all our people. Those rights include the freedom to speak your mind; to worship your God; and to choose your leaders. These are not things that we seek to impose – this is who we are. It guides our openness to one another, and to the world.

China has its own distinct story that shapes its own worldview. And Americans know the richness of China's history because it has helped to shape the world. We know the talent of the Chinese people because they have helped to shape America – my own cabinet contains two Chinese Americans. And we know that despite our differences, America is enriched through deeper ties with a country of 1.3 billion people that is at once ancient and dynamic – ties that can be forged through increased exchanges among our people, and constructive bilateral relations between our governments. That is how we will narrow our divisions.

Let's be honest: we know that some are wary of the future. Some in China think that America will try to contain China's ambitions; some in America think that there is something to fear in a rising China. I take a different view. I believe in a future where China is a strong, prosperous and successful member of the community of nations; a future when our nations are partners out of necessity, but also out of opportunity. This future is not fixed, but it is a destination that can be reached if we pursue a sustained dialogue like the one that you will commence today, and act on what we hear and what we learn.

Thousands of years ago, the great philosopher Mencius (men-shus) said: "A trail

through the mountains, if used, becomes a path in a short time, but, if unused, becomes blocked by grass in an equally short time." Our task is to forge a path to the future that we seek for our children – to prevent mistrust or the inevitable differences of the moment from allowing that trail to be blocked by grass; to always be mindful of the journey that we are undertaking together.

This Dialogue will help determine the ultimate destination of that journey. It represents a commitment to shape our young century through sustained cooperation, not confrontation. I look forward to carrying this effort forward through my first visit to China, where I hope to come to know better your leaders, your people, and your majestic country. Together, I am confident that we can move steadily in the direction of progress, and meet our responsibility to our people, and to the future that we will share. Thank you.

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Subject Politico Story -- Quotes Browner

:Climate speech's tepid reception
By: Josh Gerstein
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President Barack Obama's closely watched climate change speech at the United Nations got a mixed reaction Tuesday: Some world leaders saluted his rhetoric, but environmental activists expressed disappointment that he didn't commit to a timeline to pass cap-and-trade legislation in the Senate.

"After too many years of inaction and denial, there is finally widespread recognition of the urgency of the challenge before us. We know what needs to be done," Obama told fellow heads of state gathered for a climate change summit called by U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon. "The House of Representatives passed an energy and climate bill in June that would finally make clean energy the profitable kind of energy for American businesses and dramatically reduce greenhouse gas emissions," Obama said. "One committee has already acted on this bill in the Senate, and I look forward to engaging with others as we move forward."

Many diplomats and environmentalists were hoping that Obama would detail his strategy to move House-approved carbon-emissions-trading legislation through the Senate and onto his desk to be signed into law ahead of a key climate change conference this December in Copenhagen.

But the president made only a vague pledge to continue pushing for the measure. "The Obama speech was a missed opportunity," said Annie Petsonk, international counsel for Environmental Defense Fund. "Leaders want him to lay out a game plan to get a bill through the Senate, to give some timeline, some commitment to do it on a timely basis. ... They didn't get it."

Environmental activists are particularly concerned that U.S. influence and leadership in the climate issue are dwindling ahead of Copenhagen, with the issue of global warming getting pushed further and further down the presidential agenda by other pressing concerns, such as health care reform, the recession and Afghanistan.

Former Vice President Al Gore gave a warm, but not effusive, reception to Obama's remarks. "I thought that he was simply recognizing the reality of the situation that this legislation is still pending," Gore said at a U.N. press briefing. "I welcome his promise to get personally engaged in the work of the Senate committees." Gore said it would be "far better" for the climate change treaty talks set for Copenhagen in December if the U.S. Senate acted by then. "I would encourage the Senate to take up the climate and energy legislation immediately upon conclusion of the pending health care debate, if not before," Gore said. "I interpret President Obama's statement about getting involved in that process to mean that he will urge them to do exactly that."

Asked about the decision not to set a timeline, White House climate czar Carol Browner said the Senate's pace was not under Obama's control. "The Senate is hard at work," Browner said. "Health care has obviously taken up more time than was originally anticipated. ... At the end of the day, [Senate Majority Leader] Harry Reid does set the schedule for the Senate, and we have to be mindful of that."

Obama said little about the resistance in the Senate but indicated the recent economic slump has left some lawmakers reluctant to impose emissions changes that could affect a weakened economy. "We

seek sweeping but necessary change in the midst of a global recession, where every nation's most immediate priority is reviving their economy and putting their people back to work.

And so all of us will face doubts and difficulties in our own capitals as we try to reach a lasting solution to the climate challenge," Obama said. "But I'm here today to say that difficulty is no excuse for complacency. Unease is no excuse for inaction."

The president insisted his administration has taken a series of important, groundbreaking actions to fight global warming, such as increasing fuel economy standards and directing stimulus funds and tax credits to energy efficiency. "These steps represent an historic recognition on behalf of the American people and their government," he said. "We understand the gravity of the climate threat. We are determined to act. We will meet our responsibility to future generations."

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Subject

Below is an editorial in today's NY Times. Bob Semple (who authored it) told me they wanted to make the point that there is a parallel regulatory process to legislation now well underway). This will be helpful to our efforts to place an oped on Monday.

Seth

NEW YORK TIMES

Editorial

Some Bad Climate News and Some Good Senators Barbara Boxer and John Kerry have delayed the introduction of their long-awaited climate change bill until the end of this month – one more sign that Congress will be hard pressed to get a bill to President Obama's desk before the international summit on global warming in Stockholm in December. The chances of action this year, never all that good, are even slimmer now that the White House and the Senate leadership have pretty much agreed to keep controversial issues – and a bill limiting greenhouse gas emissions certainly falls into that category – on the back burner until the health care debate is resolved. Though smart politics, it is a disappointment to everyone who hoped that the United States would be able to go to Stockholm with a clear strategy in hand. All is not lost. The Environmental Protection Agency is rolling out rules that, when fully effective, could place limits on at least half the greenhouse gas emissions emitted in this country. On Tuesday, the E.P.A. and the Department of Transportation jointly proposed standards to improve fuel economy and reduce carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions in all new cars and light trucks beginning with the model year 2012. The E.P.A. has already sent the White House preliminary proposals involving the regulation of carbon dioxide from large stationary sources, including refineries and power plants. The agency also continues to fine-tune its finding formally declaring that carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases constitute a danger to human health and welfare. Under the Clean Air Act, an "endangerment finding" must be made before final rules limiting emissions can take effect. Nobody, including the E.P.A. administrator, Lisa Jackson, believes that one agency can address the complex problem of climate change. Ultimately, Congress will have to produce robust legislation authorizing major public investments in alternative energy sources and putting a price on carbon to unlock private investment. That is just what the climate change bill approved by the House aims to do and what Senators Boxer and Kerry eventually hope to do with their bill. In the meantime, however, smart regulation can get the ball rolling and, we hope, goad Congress into action

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<http://www.chron.com/business/energy/article/EPA-official-defends-new-emissions-rule-2173244.php>

EPA official defends new emissions rule
By PUNEET KOLLIPARAX, WASHINGTON BUREAU
Updated 08:17 p.m., Thursday, September 15, 2011

WASHINGTON - A top EPA official on Thursday rebuffed concerns that some Texas power plants could shut down because they might not have enough time to prepare for a new federal limit on toxic emissions that cross state lines.

Gina McCarthy, EPA's top air quality official, told a House panel that power plants have until March 2013 to comply with the new emissions limit without facing penalties. Power plants had previously expressed concerns about having to comply by early January, the program's official start date.

"So let me assure you, we do not want and we will not in anyway force the lights to go out or the air conditioning to not be available within the state of Texas or anywhere else as a result of these rules," McCarthy told the House Science and Technology Committee.

The EPA may ease Texas' required emissions limits in response to concerns from state officials and power providers, McCarthy said in written testimony without going into specifics. Texas must reduce sulfur-dioxide emissions by 47 percent in 2012 as the rule stands now, according to the state's Railroad Commission.

McCarthy added that the EPA is meeting with companies and government officials and "has not ruled out any potential solution to the concerns being raised."

Her comments come after Texas' electricity-grid operator said Wednesday that it may need more time to assess how the new rule will affect the risk of service outages and whether the state can reduce any resulting losses in power capacity.

The rule will require 27 states, including Texas, to reduce emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrous oxide that the EPA says can travel across state

lines and harm public health.

Costing workers?

Texas Republicans have said the rule would cost jobs and increase the risk of electricity disruptions, citing Luminant Generation Co., which announced Monday it would cut 500 jobs and close units at one of its coal power plants because it couldn't meet the new standards in time. House Republicans have taken aim at a host of EPA regulations, with a panel voting Tuesday to block rules reducing emissions from industrial boilers and cement plants.

Existing technologies

EPA revealed in a letter before the Luminant announcement that it had tried working with the company to prevent plant closures. A study also showed that Luminant could have used existing technologies more often and purchased emissions credits at a cost of \$15 million to meet the rule's emissions standards.

Republicans continued the economic line of attack. "EPA may not be in the business of creating jobs, but with more than 9 percent unemployment, it certainly should not be in the business of destroying them either, which is what will happen if this rule goes into effect the way you have planned," Rep. Ralph Hall, R-Texas, committee chairman, said in prepared remarks.

McCarthy said power providers can choose among options in meeting the new emissions limit. They can use lower-sulfur coal, install more scrubbers and boilers, switch fuels or keep emissions-reducing equipment on if it's currently used only part of the time, she said.

"The options you've stated are not feasible, so what else do you have to offer, if anything?" Hall asked.

McCarthy replied: "Actually Mr. Chairman, we believe that all of those options are quite feasible and can be done to achieve the requirements by the time the first compliance period is required to be met."

Addressing accusations that the EPA had blindsided Texas by including the state in its rule, McCarthy said EPA had followed the "spirit of the law" in including the state.

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Luminant Monticello Units 1 and 2

FYI.

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Colleagues,

The enviro community now has the specifics of the luminant filing with ercot. We are undoubtedly going to get questions tomorrow at the regional office.

I am not aware that EFH or the state agencies are actively pushing for press at this hour (this could change any minute).

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[This looks in line with their press release earlier this month](#)

“Operational Response Plan

To ensure compliance in this extremely compressed time frame, production and operational changes will have to be made at two of the company's large power plant and mining complexes. Under the Electric Reliability Council of Texas's protocol, these decisions must be communicated to the Council by October 3 so they can adequately prepare for 2012.

At the Monticello Power Plant and supporting Thermo and Winfield mines in Northeast Texas, the following steps will be necessary:

- Monticello Units 1 and 2 will be idled. These units have a capacity of approximately 1,200 megawatts.
- Monticello Unit 3 will cease using Texas lignite for fuel and begin to operate on 100 percent Powder River Basin coal.
- Thermo and Winfield mines will cease mining Texas lignite with the idling of Monticello units 1 and 2 and the fuel switching at Monticello Unit 3, but Luminant will continue reclamation activities at these sites.

At Big Brown Power Plant and its supporting mine in Freestone County, the following steps will be necessary:

- Big Brown units 1 and 2 will cease using Texas lignite for fuel and begin to operate on 100 percent Powder River Basin coal.
- The Big Brown/Turlington Mine will cease mining Texas lignite, but Luminant will continue reclamation activities there.”

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Huh? I don't know what this means. Is this just Luminant milking their story? What does this have to do with RMR status? I assume all Luminant plants are designated RMR??

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INTENDED AUDIENCE: ERCOT Market Participants

DAY AFFECTED: Comments due October 17, 2011

LONG DESCRIPTION: ERCOT has received Notification of Suspension of Operations for the following Generation Resources:

- Luminant Generation Company LLC – MNSES_UNIT1
- Luminant Generation Company LLC – MNSES_UNIT2

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Lawmakers defiant over federal clean air rule

By APRIL CASTRO

AUSTIN, Texas

A threat by one of the state's largest energy companies to shut down generators and layoff hundreds of workers over stricter pollution standards came one day after the EPA issued a letter assuring the company a plan could be worked out to help it comply with the standards.

The new rules are designed to significantly reduce smog and soot pollution by requiring 27 states, including Texas, to decrease smokestack emissions, mostly at coal-fired power plants.

But Luminant and other agencies insist it is logistically impossible to comply with the new regulation by January without decreasing production.

"We continue to believe there are options to explore that would bring your company into compliance with this rule -- a rule that EPA was under court order to finalize and that will have significant public health benefits in Texas and numerous downwind states," wrote Bob Perciasepe, deputy administrator for the EPA, in a letter to Luminant CEO David Campbell.

"We stand ready to continue working with you to ensure that you have explored all the available options to achieve the necessary pollution reductions under the Clean Air Act without having to idle or shut down these operations and put these jobs at risk."

Cambell said that while discussions with the EPA are ongoing, "the reality is that there are no easy paths for reducing emissions by 64 percent this fast."

The letter was delivered to a panel of lawmakers who slammed the EPA Tuesday over a new pollution rule they say will cause electricity shortages and cost hundreds of jobs, including 500 layoffs announced this week, despite the federal agency's attempts to work closely with energy providers to prevent problems.

The legislative hearing came a day after Luminant, Texas' largest energy provider, announced it would shut down generators and lay off 500 jobs to comply with the new set of rules that goes into effect in January.

Reiterating accusations made by Gov. Rick Perry, a leading GOP presidential candidate, Republican Sen. Troy Fraser called the rule a job killer and suggested the Obama Administration is unfairly targeting Texas because it is heavily Republican.

"We are in an election season and surely an agency wouldn't be political in this, but the seven most affected states were all very red states," said Fraser, chairman of the Senate Natural Resources Committee.

"One does question the motive behind some of the actions," said chairman of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Bryan Shaw, a Perry appointee.

Perry has used the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule as fodder in his long-standing accusation that the EPA under President Barack Obama meddles in state affairs, lays down expensive regulations during tough economic times and is forcing companies to cut jobs to offset the cost of complying with environmental rules. Texas has requested a delay in the requirement.

The defiant panel of lawmakers also scoffed at a list of options presented by environmentalists, who say the federal requirement can be met without causing power shortages.

"There are a bunch of rules that are pending, protocols, executive orders that could be issued, we think would really help," said Tom "Smitty" Smith, Texas director for the watchdog organization Public Citizen.

He said energy efficiency programs, new building codes and more solar and wind power could help the state comply with the federal regulation and "keep the lights on."

"If we put as much energy into getting these rule-making packages out the door as we have complaining about the EPA, we might actually be able to keep the lights on," he said.

"'Might' be able to?" Fraser asked. "That's not very encouraging ... that's a pretty strong statement coming from an environmental group."

Texas, faced with a growing population, few new energy sources and hot summers, has been vocal in its opposition to the regulation since it was announced in July. Texas has 19 coal-fired power plants, more than any other state, and plans to build nine more.

Nearly all of Texas' Congressional representatives have signed letters expressing concern about the impact the rule will have on jobs.

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I am forwarding the release issued this afternoon by WVDEP which we received shortly before its official distribution. We expect to see it in the press very quickly.

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WVDEP Seeks Input On Narrative Criteria Protocol

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection's Cabinet Secretary, Randy Huffman, spoke to the Senate Committee on Energy, Industry and Mining today. He was asked to give a report on the status of mining permits that are currently undergoing review by the Environmental Protection Agency.

During his presentation to the committee, Huffman announced that the agency is in the process of establishing a protocol for implementing and enforcing the state's narrative water quality criteria.

The lack of a solid plan for enforcing the narrative standard is the main criticism the EPA has had with the state of West Virginia's regulation of mountaintop mining activities over the past year. However, Huffman pointed out to the committee that the standard doesn't apply to just surface mining or mining in general, but has implications across all types of industrial activities.

As part of the process for establishing a state protocol, the DEP is researching what other states are doing as well as seeking input from interested parties within the state.

"Water quality has become the main topic of conversation across all types of industry, and there is a great deal of debate about what is or should be considered impairment," Huffman said. "Our goal is to take into consideration the ideas of others as we develop our plan for implementing and enforcing the narrative standard.

"I'm not looking for data and reports, I have that," he said. "Nor do I intend to debate the pros and cons of coal mining. What I am looking for are well-thought-out ideas on how we can measure aquatic life impacts and tie those impacts back to the problem where we can then fix it, using the tools of the Clean Water Act.

"The protocol we establish will be our own, but we want to give those who want to propose a solution the opportunity to have their ideas considered," Huffman said.

Those who would like to submit ideas or scientific theories for how the agency should implement and enforce the narrative water quality standard are invited to do so by March 26. Submissions can be emailed to DEP.comments@wv.gov or mailed to:

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All submissions will be placed on the agency's website for public review.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT THE MORNING PLENARY SESSION
OF THE UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

Bella Center
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12:32 P.M. CET

THE PRESIDENT: Good morning. It is an honor for me to join this distinguished group of leaders from nations around the world. We come here in Copenhagen because climate change poses a grave and growing danger to our people. All of you would not be here unless you -- like me -- were convinced that this danger is real. This is not fiction, it is science. Unchecked, climate change will pose unacceptable risks to our security, our economies, and our planet. This much we know.

The question, then, before us is no longer the nature of the challenge -- the question is our capacity to meet it. For while the reality of climate change is not in doubt, I have to be honest, as the world watches us today, I think our ability to take collective action is in doubt right now, and it hangs in the balance.

I believe we can act boldly, and decisively, in the face of a common threat. That's why I come here today -- not to talk, but to act. (Applause.)

Now, as the world's largest economy and as the world's second largest emitter, America bears our responsibility to address climate change, and we intend to meet that responsibility. That's why we've renewed our leadership within international climate change negotiations. That's why we've worked with other nations to phase out fossil fuel subsidies. That's why we've taken bold action at home -- by making historic investments in renewable energy; by putting our people to work increasing efficiency in our homes and buildings; and by pursuing comprehensive legislation to transform to a clean energy economy.

These mitigation actions are ambitious, and we are taking them not simply to meet global responsibilities. We are convinced, as some of you may be convinced, that changing the way we produce and use energy is essential to America's economic future -- that it will create millions of new jobs, power new industries, keep us competitive, and spark new innovation. We're convinced, for our own self-interest, that the way we use energy, changing it to a more efficient fashion, is essential to our national security, because it helps to reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and helps us deal with some of the dangers posed by climate change.

So I want this plenary session to understand, America is going to continue on this course of action to mitigate our emissions and to move towards a clean energy economy, no matter what happens here in Copenhagen. We think it is good for us, as well as good for the world. But we also believe that we will all be stronger, all be safer, all be more secure if we act together. That's why it is in our mutual interest to achieve a global accord in which we agree to certain steps, and to hold each other accountable to certain commitments.

After months of talk, after two weeks of negotiations, after innumerable side meetings, bilateral meetings, endless hours of discussion among negotiators, I believe that the pieces of that accord should now be clear.

First, all major economies must put forward decisive national actions that will reduce their emissions, and begin to turn the corner on climate change. I'm pleased that many of us have already done so. Almost all the major economies have put forward legitimate targets, significant targets, ambitious targets. And I'm confident that America will fulfill the commitments that we have made: cutting our emissions in the range of 17 percent by 2020, and by more than 80 percent by 2050 in line with final legislation.

Second, we must have a mechanism to review whether we are

keeping our commitments, and exchange this information in a transparent manner. These measures need not be intrusive, or infringe upon sovereignty. They must, however, ensure that an accord is credible, and that we're living up to our obligations. Without such accountability, any agreement would be empty words on a page.

I don't know how you have an international agreement where we all are not sharing information and ensuring that we are meeting our commitments. That doesn't make sense. It would be a hollow victory.

Number three, we must have financing that helps developing countries adapt, particularly the least developed and most vulnerable countries to climate change. America will be a part of fast-start funding that will ramp up to \$10 billion by 2012. And yesterday, Secretary Hillary Clinton, my Secretary of State, made it clear that we will engage in a global effort to mobilize \$100 billion in financing by 2020, if -- and only if -- it is part of a broader accord that I have just described.

Mitigation. Transparency. Financing. It's a clear formula -- one that embraces the principle of common but differentiated responses and respective capabilities. And it adds up to a significant accord -- one that takes us farther than we have ever gone before as an international community.

I just want to say to this plenary session that we are running short on time. And at this point, the question is whether we will move forward together or split apart, whether we prefer posturing to action. I'm sure that many consider this an imperfect framework that I just described. No country will get everything that it wants. There are those developing countries that want aid with no strings attached, and no obligations with respect to transparency. They think that the most advanced nations should pay a higher price; I understand that. There are those advanced nations who think that developing countries either cannot absorb this assistance, or that will not be held accountable effectively, and that the world's fastest-growing emitters should bear a greater share of the burden.

We know the fault lines because we've been imprisoned by them for years. These international discussions have essentially taken place now for almost two decades, and we have very little to show for it other than an increased acceleration of the climate change phenomenon. The time for talk is over. This is the bottom line: We can embrace this accord, take a substantial step forward, continue to refine it and build upon its foundation. We can do that, and everyone who is in this room will be part of a historic endeavor -- one that makes life

better for our children and our grandchildren.

Or we can choose delay, falling back into the same divisions that have stood in the way of action for years. And we will be back having the same stale arguments month after month, year after year, perhaps decade after decade, all while the danger of climate change grows until it is irreversible.

Ladies and gentlemen, there is no time to waste. America has made our choice. We have charted our course. We have made our commitments. We will do what we say. Now I believe it's the time for the nations and the people of the world to come together behind a common purpose.

We are ready to get this done today -- but there has to be movement on all sides to recognize that it is better for us to act than to talk; it's better for us to choose action over inaction; the future over the past -- and with courage and faith, I believe that we can meet our responsibility to our people, and the future of our planet. Thank you very much. (Applause.)

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ERCOT Reviews Impact of Cross State Air Pollution Rule

The Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), the state grid operator and manager of the wholesale electric market, released today an evaluation of the potential impacts of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Cross State Air Pollution Rule on generation facilities in ERCOT, as requested by the Public Utility Commission in July 2011.

The report, "Impacts of the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule on the ERCOT System," is available on www.ercot.com in the News/Reports and Presentations section under Operations and System

Planning.

Based on the information provided by the resource owners, ERCOT developed three scenarios of potential impacts from CSAPR:

- The first scenario, derived directly from the compliance plans of individual resource owners, indicates that ERCOT will experience a generation capacity reduction of approximately 3,000 MW during the off-peak months of March, April, October and November, and 1,200 – 1,400 MW during the other months of the year, including the peak load months of June, July and August.
- Scenario 2, which incorporates the potential for increased unit maintenance outages due to repeated daily dispatch of traditionally base-load coal units, results in a generation capacity reduction of approximately 3,000 MW during the off-peak months of March and April; 1,200 – 1,400 MW during the remainder of the first nine months of the year; and approximately 5,000 MW during the fall months of October, November and possibly into December.
- Scenario 3 includes the impacts noted for Scenario 2, along with potential impacts from limited availability of imported low-sulfur coal. This scenario results in a generation capacity reduction of approximately 3,000 MW during the off-peak months of March and April; 1,200 – 1,400 MW during the remainder of the first nine months of the year; and approximately 6,000 MW during the fall months of October, November and possibly into December.

When the CSAPR rule was announced in July, it included Texas in compliance programs that ERCOT and its resource owners had reasonably believed would not be applied to Texas. In addition, the rule required implementation within five months – by January 2012. The implementation timeline provides ERCOT an extremely truncated period in which to assess the reliability impacts of the rule, and no realistic opportunity to take steps that could even partially mitigate the substantial losses of available operating capacity described in the scenarios examined in this report. In short, the CSAPR implementation date does not provide ERCOT and its resource owners a meaningful window for taking steps to avoid the loss of thousands of megawatts of capacity, and the attendant risks of outages for Texas power users.

The Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc., (ERCOT) manages the flow of electric power to approximately 23 million Texas customers - representing 85 percent of the state's electric load and 75 percent of the Texas land area. As the Independent System Operator for the region, ERCOT schedules power on an electric grid that connects 40,500 miles of transmission lines and more than 550 generation units. ERCOT also manages financial settlement for the competitive wholesale bulk-power market and administers customer switching for 6.6 million Texans in competitive choice areas. ERCOT is a membership-based 501(c)(4) nonprofit corporation, governed by a board of directors and subject to oversight by the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the Texas Legislature.

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E.P.A. Chief Stands Firm as Tough Rules Loom

By [JOHN M. BRODER](#)

WASHINGTON — In the next weeks and months, [Lisa P. Jackson](#), the [Environmental Protection Agency](#) administrator, is scheduled to establish regulations on smog, mercury, carbon dioxide, mining waste and vehicle emissions that will affect every corner of the economy.

She is working under intense pressure from opponents in Congress, from powerful industries, from impatient environmentalists and from the Supreme Court, which just [affirmed the agency's duty](#) to address [global warming](#) emissions, a project that carries profound economic implications.

The new rules will roll out just as [President Obama](#)'s re-election campaign is getting under way, with a White House highly sensitive to the probability of political damage from a flood of government mandates that will strike particularly hard at the manufacturing sector in states crucial to the 2012 election.

No other cabinet officer is in as lonely or uncomfortable a position as Ms. Jackson, who has been left, as one adviser put it, behind enemy lines with only science, the law and a small band of loyal lieutenants to support her.

Ms. Jackson describes the job as draining but says there are certain principles she will not compromise, including rapid and vigorous enforcement of some of the most far-reaching health-related rules ever considered by the agency.

"The only thing worse than no E.P.A. is an E.P.A. that exists and doesn't do its job — it becomes just a placebo," she said last week in an hourlong interview in Houston. "We are doing our job."

Although she has not met with the president privately since February, Ms. Jackson said she was confident that he would back her on the tough decisions she had to make. "All of us are mindful that he has a lot of things to do," she said.

Attacks on her and her agency have become a central part of the Republican playbook, but she said she wanted no sympathy.

"Any E.P.A. director sits at the intersection of some very important issues — air pollution,

clean water, and whether businesses can survive," said Ms. Jackson, a chemical engineer trained at Tulane and Princeton Universities and a former director of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. "No one knows this job unless they've sat in the seat."

Ms. Jackson said she intended to go forward with new, tougher air- and water-quality rules, including those that address climate change, despite Congressional efforts to override her authority and even a White House initiative to weed out overly burdensome regulations.

The first of these new rules is expected to be announced Thursday, imposing tighter restrictions on soot and smog emissions from coal-burning power plants in 31 states east of the Rockies. The regulation is expected to lead to the closing of several older plants and will require the installation of scrubbers at many of those that remain in operation. One former E.P.A. administrator, [William K. Reilly](#), who served under the first President George Bush, is a sometime adviser to Ms. Jackson. He said she was taking fire from all sides.

"She's got three very large challenges," Mr. Reilly said. "First, she's got to administer the [Clean Air Act](#) to try to accomplish something for which it was never designed, the control of carbon dioxide, a difficult regulatory challenge in itself. Second, she has to do that and cope with all these other regulations which are not of her making and have come to land on her desk in a climate of intense political polarization and economic distress."

"And the third challenge," he continued, "is that the White House — any White House — doesn't want to hear an awful lot from the E.P.A. It's not an agency that ever makes friends for a president. In the cabinet room, many of the secretaries got along with each other, but they all had an argument with me. It's the nature of the job."

Mr. Reilly said the White House had left Ms. Jackson out on a limb when it failed to push hard for the [cap-and-trade climate change bill](#) that passed the House in 2009 but stalled in the Senate last year. Administration officials had argued that legislation was far superior to agency regulation as a means of addressing climate-altering emissions. But when the bill ran up against bipartisan opposition in the Senate, Mr. Reilly said, "the White House didn't lift a finger," an assertion administration officials dispute.

The White House said that it fully supported the agency's aggressive standards for a variety of pollutants to protect public health and the environment and denied that it was resisting further regulatory action for political reasons.

"It's simply a matter of choosing the health and safety of the American people over polluters," Clark Stevens, a White House spokesman, said in an e-mailed statement, "and doing so in a common-sense way that allows us to protect public health while also growing the economy — which will continue to be a shared goal of this entire administration."

One of Ms. Jackson's most vocal critics is [Representative Edward Whitfield](#), Republican of Kentucky and chairman of the energy and power subcommittee of the House Energy and Commerce Committee. He has held several hearings at which Ms. Jackson served as target practice for opponents of E.P.A. regulation of carbon dioxide and other pollutants. Ms. Jackson said that was the roughest treatment she had gotten in her two and a half years in Washington.

Mr. Whitfield, who has never met privately with Ms. Jackson, was unapologetic.

"It is unprecedented the number of major regulations this administration is putting out," he said, "and I can't tell you how many calls and meetings and letters I have asking, 'Is there

any way to slow E.P.A. down?' "

"What's troubling to us," Mr. Whitfield continued, "is that President Obama on the one hand is saying we have to be really careful about these regulations and consider the impact on jobs and the economy, but over at the agency they're just going full speed ahead with minimal attention or analysis on job impact."

One hot spot where Ms. Jackson can count on friendly treatment is "The Daily Show," where she has [appeared](#) three times in two years. Questioning from the host, Jon Stewart, was gentle, to say the least, referring in a recent show to the agency's "unassailable successes" in dealing with air and water pollution and to the "tremendous corporate interests" arrayed against her.

Even those most supportive of Ms. Jackson say that the agency has taken on a virtually unmanageable set of challenges across the range of policy, from mountaintop-removal coal mining to wetlands preservation to the control of toxic emissions from power plants and refineries. She is also in charge of federal restoration efforts in the Gulf of Mexico after the BP [oil spill](#).

"Have they bitten off more than they can chew?" asked Jason S. Grumet, president of the [Bipartisan Policy Center](#), who has close ties to the White House and the agency. "Yes. But that's a testament to their aspirations, and now reality is setting in."

The reality being that there is often political fallout whenever tough policy decisions are made, and that the timing of Ms. Jackson's rule setting could not be more inopportune for Mr. Obama. "It's always the case that there are conflicts between good policy and good politics, and the E.P.A. is often the crucible of those challenges," Mr. Grumet said.

One of the toughest pending decisions, he said, concerns a standard for permissible levels of smog-causing compounds including [ozone](#). The agency's scientific advisory panel has recommended setting a high bar that could put hundreds of counties out of compliance with the law, forcing them to take action to reduce emissions, even though the pollutants may be generated beyond their jurisdiction.

The law requires that E.P.A. make such decisions based solely on the health effects of the pollution, not on the possible cost of compliance, creating a huge political problem.

"Telling a government that has to stand for re-election that it should make decisions with no consideration of cost is understandably going to create great agita in the political offices," Mr. Grumet said.

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Obama under fire for BP spill response

By: [Glenn Thrush and Josh Gerstein and Manu Raju](#)

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[President Barack Obama](#) is sticking with his philosophy of presidential multi-tasking, refusing to scrub his schedule of events that seem peripheral — even trivial — compared to the unfolding catastrophe in the Gulf.

As [oozing oil fouls Louisiana's marshes](#), Obama has committed to maintaining the semblance of a regular schedule, adhering to his walk-and-chew-gum style of [crisis management](#) even as criticism of his administration mounts.

That includes a sit-down to talk hoops with Marv Albert, events touting the stimulus and Duke's basketball team, a Memorial Day parade appearance in Illinois and a pair of fundraisers in California that roughly overlapped with a memorial service for 11 workers killed in the April 20 explosion on the Deepwater Horizon platform.

The White House is standing behind its walk-and-chew-gum-at-the-same-time mantra — but allies and enemies are puzzled over why Obama isn't projecting more of a sense of urgency and outrage.

"I think this is one of the great lost political opportunities I've ever seen,"

says former [Clinton adviser James Carville](#), a Louisiana native who sharply criticized the Obama administration's response to the spill.

Obama earned high marks — and perhaps the presidency — for keeping his cool during the 2008 financial crisis, but that same determination to maintain an even keel during the Gulf disaster may be backfiring, with even allies saying he's coming off as cold and uncharacteristically tone-deaf.

"There are times and places where his cool, technocratic mastery is a great blessing ... [B]ut, ideology aside, what do you think [President Ronald] Reagan would have done in this situation? He'd be down there. [Look at \[Louisiana Gov. Bobby\] Jindal](#) ... It is puzzling, the detachment," said one veteran Democratic strategist, a frequent defender of Obama.

"I just cringe at the specter of the president doing a political fundraiser in San Francisco during the memorial service or instead of going to the memorial service," the person added. "He was sure there for the coal miners in West Virginia; he spoke at their funerals. That juxtaposition can't be good."

Republicans — smarting over criticism that President George W. Bush delegated his response to [Hurricane Katrina](#) to incompetent subordinates — are seizing on the fiddle-while-Rome-burns theme with relish.

Sean Hannity, speaking on his Fox News show, encapsulated a new GOP talking point Tuesday night, when he said, "Throughout this catastrophe, let's see, President Obama has found time to play golf, political fundraisers, state dinners."

The [National Republican Senatorial Committee](#) e-mail blasted a press release — "President Delays Gulf Coast Spill Recovery Efforts for San Francisco Fundraiser with Oil Heirs" — on the eve of Obama's West Coast fundraisers, which netted \$1.7 million.

Administration staffers say such criticism is deeply unfair and that Obama is focused on the spill, to the point of being obsessed. Having the president personally involved in every public event on the spill would be distracting and "wouldn't move the ball forward," said a White House official.

And despite Obama's commitment to keep prior scheduling commitments, he's carved out time for a day trip to the Louisiana Gulf Coast on Friday and a Q & A with the White House press corps to answer questions about the disaster — in addition to a constant stream of briefings on BP's progress.

Even without the Gulf crisis, Obama's plate was overflowing. Obama has spent much of his time focusing on a sequence of major crises: a knife's edge military confrontation on the Korean peninsula, continuing concerns about the sovereign debt crisis in Europe, a tricky compromise on repeal of the "don't ask, don't tell" policy and high-stakes final negotiations over the financial regulatory bill.

Obama spoke repeatedly about the Gulf during his West Coast events Tuesday and Wednesday, which included a tour of a plant that produces components of solar panels — and a pair of fundraisers for the party and Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.).

"This situation in the Gulf is heartbreaking," Obama declared at his first fundraisers Tuesday. "And the day that it was reported to me that this riser and the drilling situation had blown, I said to my team, 'We've got to put every bit of energy, time, all the resources we've got to make sure that we deal with this.' And we've now got over a 1,000 people from the federal government deployed down there. We are doing everything we can to contain the damage."

"There's not a person who has just felt that sense of despair in watching the broadcasts about oil spill down in the Gulf. Nobody is more upset than me, because ultimately, like any president, when this happens on your watch, then every day you are thinking, how does this get solved?" Obama said at a later event.

"I think they would criticize the president no matter what he did. And I guess the question is, should the president just not go anywhere until this well is capped? I mean, I think he needs to have a schedule," said Boxer.

"The president gets criticized for the color of the suit he wears. I mean, everything is political. I think he's going there on Friday, and he'll go there as many times as he feels he should go there because he knows he's dispatched 1,000 people."

Republicans now are leading the criticism. "The president has remained disengaged; he's only now going for the weekend to do a press event," says California Rep. Darrell Issa, the ranking minority member of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee and a frequent Obama critic. "Getting down there to get briefed is fine ... But if we're not in charge, and he's not overseeing our cleanup, then I question whether it's important for us to go down ... For 35 days he hasn't used the full force of our government."

Former Bush press secretary Dana Perino — who has expressed sympathy with Obama's plight — sees something of a double standard. Her boss was pilloried by the media and Democrats — including then-Sen. Barack Obama — for taking a hands-off approach to the Hurricane Katrina response, while Obama is being cut slack.

"I call it the battered press syndrome," she wrote in an e-mail to POLITICO, "They keep trying to win his favor, but it's not returned." Democrats, for the most part, have stuck with Obama.

"I think there's going to be a concerted effort to [criticize Obama]," said Michigan Sen. Debbie Stabenow. "It's really not about Bush vs. Obama. To me, it's about a philosophy that says deregulate, step back and let Wall Street do whatever they want; step back and let the oil companies control everything."

Boxer on Wednesday defended Obama's action, noting that his visit to the solar-panel plant highlights the need to move the nation away from fossil fuels — and the risk of such underwater catastrophes.

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Sen. Byron Dorgan (D-N.D.) said the administration has been "pretty aggressive" and said Obama was simply at the mercy of events — and a seemingly uncappable well a mile below the surface.

"I think all of us have a lot of angst about the fact that this happened and it hasn't been stopped for over a month," he said. "I understand the politics of this moment is that [Obama's foes] will try to say this administration bears responsibility. But I think that's at odds with the facts, and I think this president has done everything he can to try to address this."

Meredith Shiner contributed to this report.

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Graham says 'impossible' to pass climate bill now

FREDERIC J. FROMMER | May 7, 2010 12:20 PM EST |

WASHINGTON — A key Republican senator negotiating with Democrats on a climate change bill said Friday it's "become impossible" to pass the legislation now because of disagreements over offshore drilling and immigration reform.

Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina said that Congress needs to move forward in a political climate that gives proponents the best chance for success.

"Regrettably, in my view, this has become impossible in the current environment," he said in a statement. "I believe there could be more than 60 votes for this bipartisan concept in the future. But there are not nearly 60 votes today and I do not see them materializing until we deal with the uncertainty of the immigration debate and the consequences of the oil spill."

Sixty votes are required in the Senate to overcome filibusters.

Last month, Graham threatened to withhold his support for the climate and energy legislation because he was angry that Democrats said they would take up a rewrite of immigration policy. That forced his partners, Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., and Joe Lieberman, I-Conn., to postpone the long-awaited unveiling of the legislation, which aims to cut emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases 17 percent below 2005 levels by 2020.

To win over Republicans, the bill calls for expansion of offshore drilling, which some Democrats have said they now oppose because of the Gulf spill.

"Some believe the oil spill has enhanced the chances energy legislation will

succeed. I do not share their view," Graham said. While he respects the positions of Democrats who don't want to see more offshore drilling, he said he still believes that it's needed for the country to become energy independent.

"When it comes to getting 60 votes for legislation that includes additional oil and gas drilling with revenue sharing, the climb has gotten steeper because of the oil spill," the senator said.

He said it makes sense to find out what happened in the Gulf spill, take steps to prevent future accidents and build a consensus for expanded offshore drilling.

Just two days ago, Graham told The Associated Press that the oil spill does not necessarily rule out passage of a comprehensive energy bill this year – although he noted it's always difficult to round up 60 votes.

Neither Kerry nor Lieberman had an immediate comment on Graham's statement. But they aren't likely to agree that it's best to wait. Kerry told an environmental gathering Wednesday that this year is "perhaps our last, best chance to pass comprehensive climate and energy legislation."

And Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., told reporters this week that the oil spill should be incentive to act on legislation. "We have to take care of this issue," he said.

Seth Oster/DC/USEPA/US

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Subject Fw: CAMPAIGN 2010: Palin backs Murkowski primary challenger

Wow.

David McIntosh

----- Original Message -----

From: David McIntosh**Sent:** 06/02/2010 05:25 PM EDT**To:** Richard Windsor; Diane Thompson; Bob Perciasepe; Arvin Ganesan; Seth Oster**Subject:** CAMPAIGN 2010: Palin backs Murkowski primary challenger**CAMPAIGN 2010: Palin backs Murkowski primary challenger***(Wednesday, June 2, 2010)***Alex Kaplun, E&E reporter**

Former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin (R) today threw her support behind Sen. Lisa Murkowski's (R-Alaska) primary opponent, describing the incumbent senator as "part of the big government problem" and attacking Murkowski's stance on climate change science.

In a lengthy Facebook message, Palin writes that there is no "bad blood" between her and Murkowski but said that the challenger, attorney Joe Miller, is a "true commonsense constitutional conservative" willing to buck the political establishment.

"I share Joe's belief that we are at a critical time in our nation's history and the status quo will no longer do," Palin wrote. "Unfortunately, Lisa Murkowski and much of the political establishment have recently evolved into being a bigger part of the big government problem in Washington, and they've strayed from the principles upon which they had espoused."

Palin reportedly once had an interest in challenging Murkowski herself, but she quelled those rumors last year and donated \$5,000 to Murkowski's re-election campaign.

"I've always wished her well, but it is my firm belief that we need a bold reformer who is not afraid to stand up to special interests and take on the tough challenges of our time," Palin wrote.

Palin and Murkowski have long been at odds, with Palin repeatedly characterizing the Murkowski family and their allies as part of the political establishment that controlled Alaska politics. Palin defeated Murkowski's father, then-Gov. Frank Murkowski (R), in the 2006 GOP primary.

When Palin resigned from the governorship last year, Murkowski was highly critical of the move and described it as an abandonment of the state and its residents.

Palin's endorsement runs through a number of positions on which she believes Murkowski has broken from conservative principles, including climate change.

"Joe is against cap and trade (Obama's new job-killing energy scheme that I call cap and tax)," Palin writes. "Lisa believes Al Gore's insistence that man-made global warming is fact, so she's on record as being open to cap and trade legislation to address weather changes."

While Palin's endorsement is certain to bring some attention to Miller's campaign, it remains to be seen if it has enough weight to give Miller the momentum he needs to topple Murkowski. Palin is popular among many conservatives, but Murkowski was not the only Alaska official to take her to task for resigning from office, and polls shortly before her departure showed her with mediocre approval ratings in her home state.

Miller has run for political office only once before, narrowly losing an election for state representative. Murkowski will also figure to have a major fundraising advantage over Miller.

The Alaska primary is Aug. 24.

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Subject Fw: Clean Air Act Under Attack as New Poll Shows Strong Support for EPA Action

Betsaida Alcantara

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: January 21, 2010

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Clean Air Act Under Attack As New Poll Shows
Strong Public Support for EPA Action to Reduce Emissions:
Attacks Protect Dirty Coal, Big Oil at Expense of Clean Energy,
Natural Gas

Washington, D.C.--A new poll of battleground states conducted by the Benenson Strategy Group on behalf of the Clean Energy Works campaign underscores strong public support for both EPA and Congressional action to promote clean energy and reduce emissions. The poll was released today amid renewed efforts by big polluters and their allies in the Senate to attack the Clean Air Act.

"Big polluters and their allies in the Senate have launched an unprecedented assault on the Clean Air Act," said Carl Pope, Sierra Club Executive Director. "Not only have these big polluters stymied efforts to pass comprehensive clean energy and climate legislation in spite of strong public support for it, they are also trying to tie President Obama's hands by gutting the popular and effective laws we already have on the books. Instead of further delay and distractions, it's time for the Senate to get serious about passing legislation that reduces emissions, slashes our dependence on oil, and creates new clean energy jobs."

New poll: Strong public support for action by EPA, Congress to reduce emissions

The new battleground states poll released today by the Clean Energy Works campaign demonstrates strong public support for the

Environmental Protection Agency's plans to reduce emissions and fight global warming using its existing powers under the Clean Air Act. Fifty-nine percent of those polled agree and just 39 percent disagree that "if Congress doesn't pass this energy bill, the Environmental Protection Agency should take action to regulate carbon polluters. Among Independents, support for EPA action is even stronger: 61 percent agree and only 37 percent disagree. The poll also showed strong support (58 percent support, just 37 percent opposed) for comprehensive clean energy and climate legislation--support which has not wavered over the past several months, even in face of an unprecedented misinformation campaign led by polluters.

"Those who wish to avoid any limits on global warming pollution whatsoever are using lies and scare tactics to distract Congress and the American public from the important task at hand," said Pope. "Fortunately, the public sees right through these arguments and strongly supports plans to reduce emissions--one way or another. The American people understand what's at stake and know that we don't have any more time to waste when it comes to creating new clean energy jobs, reducing our dangerous dependence on oil, and slashing emissions."

Attacks protect Big Oil, Dirty Coal while blocking clean energy, natural gas

Big polluters and their allies are attempting to maintain the dirty energy status quo by blocking both legislative and common-sense regulatory measures designed to promote affordable clean energy and reduce global warming emissions. Moving forward with efforts to limit emissions will protect public health, create clean energy jobs, promote renewable energy, and encourage the use of cleaner burning, appropriately produced natural gas instead of continuing our dangerous dependence on oil and dirty coal.

"Not only do these misguided efforts from big polluters strike at the heart of the Clean Air Act, they are stalling efforts to build the clean energy economy," said Bruce Nilles, Director of Sierra Club's Beyond Coal campaign. "By stopping progress, this assault would not only slow our transition to a clean energy economy, it will also continue to protect Dirty Coal at the expense of renewable energy and cleaner burning natural gas. States like Arkansas, Louisiana, and Alaska have tremendous natural gas reserves that--along with clean energy--could help renew their state economies and reduce emissions--but only if we start to tackle global warming and get serious about a transition to clean energy."

The full Benenson Strategy Group memo can be viewed at:
<http://action.sierraclub.org/site/R?i=G61dXkYaM11UWOTPrGa0UA..>

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Subject Fw: Corbin Hiar/Huff Post: A Ray of Light in China? EPA Administrator Attempts to Defuse Climate Standoff

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[A Ray of Light in China? EPA Administrator Attempts to Defuse Climate Standoff](#)

Huffington Post

The climate talks in Tianjin last week did [very little to improve the prospects for a binding international treaty](#), which would reduce the greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions that are warming the globe. In the wake of the disappointing meeting, Lisa Jackson, the administrator of the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), made her first official visit to China. During the trip, which began Saturday as Tianjin talks came to a close and ended yesterday, Jackson and her Chinese counterpart, Environmental Protection Minister Zhou Shengxian, renewed a bilateral environmental "[memorandum of understanding](#)" that had expired in 2008. Will this pact help defuse the superpowers' climate standoff?

Tensions in Tianjin

The frustrating UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) meeting again made clear the gulf of understanding between the US and China. Like painful repeat of the 2009 Copenhagen climate summit, the Tianjin talks stalled when China refused to consider America's call for all pledges made by developing countries to be independently monitored and verified. Claiming this would violate the Kyoto Protocol's principle of differentiated responsibilities for rich and poor countries, [Chinese negotiator Huang Huikang said](#), "I want to emphasize on our side no compromise on the two track process and no compromise on the interests of developing countries."

The Times of India offered further insight into [why developing giants like China are so opposed to independent monitoring](#): "The US stance of demanding equal level of scrutiny of mitigation actions of emerging economies is considered a backdoor route of converting the voluntary actions of countries like China, India, Brazil and South Africa into international commitments."

US climate change envoy Todd Stern, who was not even at Tianjin, further entrenched Chinese

resistance to the American proposal. In a speech at the University of Michigan Law School, he alleged that China was acting as if the Copenhagen Accord "never happened." Su Wei, a senior Chinese climate change delegate at the talks, responded in a press conference by [comparing the US to a vain pig](#). "[The US] has no measures or actions to show for itself, and instead it criticizes China, which is actively taking measures and actions," Su huffed. "The developed countries are trying every means possible to avoid discussion of the essential issue--that is, emission reductions."

Other nations watched helplessly as the political posturing of the world's two largest climate polluters prevented movement on the [other policies the negotiators had hoped to address in Tianjin](#). Dessima Williams, Grenada's UN ambassador and the chair of the Alliance of Small Island States, [suggested to Bloomberg](#) that the US and China "have negotiations inside the negotiations." She described their squabbling as a "brinkmanship game... if you don't jump, I won't jump."

Limits of bilateral diplomacy

So is this week's US-China environmental pact a hop in the right direction? Although it addresses climate change, Jackson and Zhou studiously avoided the contentious issue of increasing verified emissions cuts. The [15-page memorandum](#) pledges in the driest of legalese to collaborate on the prevention of air pollution like GHGs and on the development, implementation, and enforcement of international law such as the hotly negotiated international climate agreement that the UN hopes will take effect in 2012, when the first Kyoto commitment period ends.

The EPA's Jackson tried to put a optimistic spin on the agreement: "China and the United States share a number of environmental challenges, from improving the air our citizens are breathing at the local level to fighting climate change that affects our entire planet, and we must take on these challenges while continuing to expand opportunity at home and abroad," she said in an [intentionally vague statement](#). "This was an important step in our collaboration to protect our environment and increase prosperity for generations to come."

Mother Nature Network blogger [Andrew Shenkel hesitantly agrees](#) with Jackson: "This pact could be a tiny small step towards combating this game of apathetic brinkmanship." He thinks the symbolism of environmental cooperation with China could prove valuable in the effort to convince American legislators to enact or sign onto climate protection regimes. Perhaps. But what is more urgently required of Jackson, the Obama administration, and US negotiators is a credible domestic emissions reduction plan that they can bring to the negotiating table at the big UNFCCC summit in Cancun at the end of November.

With the failure of the US climate bill, the government's capacity to reduce GHG emissions is greatly limited. An [analysis from the World Resources Institute](#) released shortly after the bill died in the Senate shows that, if the administration and state governments were to aggressively use every GHG pollution prevention tool they have available to them, the US would come close to-but still fall short of-the small 5% emission cut from 1990 levels that it promised in Copenhagen. US negotiators need to be able to deliver at least that much in at the Cancun

climate summit.

Bilateral environmental diplomacy isn't a bad thing, it's just inadequate for dealing with the worldwide threat posed by climate change. It'd be better that Jackson spent her time getting the US climate and energy policy in order instead of trying to coordinate and influence Chinese policymakers. China's government, which recently [invested \\$11.7 billion in Chinese solar firms](#) and [controls 43% of the global market for solar panels](#), is already light years ahead.

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CHRISTIE ADMINISTRATION WINS BATTLE FOR EPA ACTION ON
POLLUTING PENNSYLVANIA POWER PLANT

(11/P43) TRENTON - The federal Environmental Protection Agency accepted New Jersey's Clean Air Act petition that seeks to force a Pennsylvania coal-fired power plant to dramatically reduce harmful air pollutants that drift over the Delaware River and into North Jersey, and which has caused longstanding public health concerns for residents living in that region, DEP Commissioner Bob Martin announced today.

The EPA, in accepting the State's petition, has proposed a rule to require the power plant, operated by GenOn Energy (formerly Reliant or RRI Energy) in Portland, Pa., to cut its sulfur dioxide (SO₂) emissions by 81 percent over a three-year period, significantly reducing pollutants that can aggravate asthma and cause other respiratory difficulties.

"It is a priority of this Administration to achieve improved air quality for all residents of New Jersey," said Governor Christie. "Targeting out-of-state air pollution that negatively impacts our State is just one of many initiatives we are undertaking to benefit the public health and improve our environment."

"I commend the federal government for taking positive action on the State's petition," said Commissioner Martin. "Most important, this is a win for the public health and welfare of North Jersey residents, and especially people in Knowlton Township and Warren County, who have long been directly in the path of these unhealthy emissions. That situation is not acceptable."

Commissioner Martin vowed to ensure that the federal process - prompted by the State's filing of a Section 126 Clean Air Act petition -- continues to move along as quickly as possible. He plans to testify in person at a public hearing which has been scheduled by the EPA on April 27 in Oxford, Warren County.

The DEP had pressed for a public hearing in Warren County to afford the greatest opportunity for the residents most affected by the air emissions to relate the effects of GenOn Energy plant's pollution on their lives.

The 126 Petition filed by the DEP in 2010 included evidence to show that damaging sulfur dioxide pollution produced by the GenOn power plant adversely impacts most of Warren County and sections of Sussex, Morris and Hunterdon counties, as well as at least three counties in Pennsylvania. The sulfur dioxide coming from the plant is known to cause a variety of adverse health effects, including asthma and respiratory failure, and environmental impacts such as acid rain.

RRI's power plant emitted more than 30,000 tons of sulfur dioxide in 2009, which is more than all seven of New Jersey's coal-fired power plants combined in that year.

The DEP believes modern air pollution controls, including a scrubber, should be installed to substantially reduce the Portland plant's emissions. Improved sulfur dioxide and particle control also would reduce other hazardous air pollutant emissions, including hydrochloric acid, lead and mercury.

In addition to the 126 Petition to limit air pollution from this plant, the State also has an ongoing legal action against GenOn to reduce emissions of nitrogen oxides, as well as sulfur dioxide, at the Portland facility.

Also, the State is battling out-of-state air pollution in two ongoing pending federal court cases. The DEP is attempting to require Pennsylvania-based Allegheny Energy Inc. and subsidiaries to reduce emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide at three power plants in western Pennsylvania. The Department also is seeking to substantially cut the amount of sulfur dioxide

pollution pouring from the massive Homer City Station power plant in western Pennsylvania.

Those emissions, in the form of nitrogen oxides and fine particulate matter, are carried eastward by prevailing winds towards New Jersey, causing ozone smog pollution, visible haze and acid rain.

EPA will accept written comments on the State's 126 Petition until May 27. For more information on the petition and the scheduled April 27 public hearing visit: <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/new.html>

Full text of New Jersey's 126 petitions on the Portland/RRI issue can be found at:
<http://www.nj.gov/dep/baqp/petition/126petition.htm>

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Subject Fw: Derrick Jackson, Boston Globe: Finally, US leads on environment

Good editorial.
Brendan Gilfillan

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From: Brendan Gilfillan**Sent:** 12/08/2009 10:11 AM EST**To:** Seth Oster <oster.seth@epa.gov>; Allyn Brooks-LaSure; Adora Andy; Betsaida Alcantara; Michael Moats**Subject:** Derrick Jackson, Boston Globe: Finally, US leads on environment
Don't think I saw this column in the clips...

Finally, US leads on environment

By Derrick Z. Jackson | December 8, 2009

IN A CRITICAL demonstration of backbone on global warming, the Obama administration yesterday declared carbon dioxide a dangerous pollutant. Saying the country “will not ignore science and the law any longer,” Lisa Jackson, the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, said her findings and declaration “cement 2009’s place in history as the year when the United States government began addressing the challenge of greenhouse gas pollution.”

In a news briefing, Jackson rattled off the predicted effects of unabated climate change, based on “overwhelming amounts of scientific study.” The effects range from melting polar ice caps to droughts and from disease to hotspots for military conflict. Her ruling covered six top contributing gases to climate change. Other gases included methane, nitrous oxide, and hydrofluorocarbons. “We know that skeptics have and will continue to try to sow doubts about the science,” Jackson said. “It’s no wonder that many people are confused. But raising doubts - even in the face of overwhelming evidence - is a tactic that has been used by defenders of the status quo for years. . . . It’s time that we let the science speak for itself.”

After the briefing, Jackson flew to Copenhagen, where she will be the first of several administration officials to address the international climate change summit. The last official will be President Obama on Dec. 18. The fact that the EPA administrator and the president are the two American bookends at Copenhagen is the strongest signal yet of a new American attitude on the environment.

Still, the summit does not have a global agreement to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. American business lobbyists and fossil fuel-state politicians have thus far kept federal climate change legislation from getting out of the Senate. The United States, about 6 percent of the world’s population, consumes about a quarter of the world’s energy and in turn is responsible for

a quarter of world's greenhouse gases.

This cloud is a hangover from the Bush administration, going back to when EPA Administrator Christine Todd Whitman issued a report in 2002 saying that human activities were responsible for the greenhouse gases of global warming. President Bush brushed off the report as an irrelevant document "put out by the bureaucracy." Whitman later resigned. America became a global pariah in environmental circles.

With the EPA now fully in command of the message of a more well-intended administration, there is hope that the Copenhagen summit, whether it does or does not itself end with a binding agreement, will be a springboard, not a dead end. Jackson's command of the message was on display last week in a Senate environmental hearing. For several minutes, she was badgered by the Senate's leading disbeliever of global warming, Republican James Inhofe of Oklahoma. Inhofe tried to play up the recent story of e-mails showing the process of how scientists have debated, in some cases unprofessionally, the findings of climate change.

Jackson responded by saying, "While I would absolutely agree that these e-mails show a lack of interpersonal skills . . . I have not heard anything that causes me to believe that [the] overwhelming consensus that climate change is happening and that man-made emissions are contributing to it, have changed." When Inhofe pressed for Jackson to delay her endangerment finding, Jackson stood firm and said, "Senator, I believe that what we should be looking for are any changes in the consensus opinion of scientists around the world about climate change."

Having seen no changes, Jackson officially announced that the gases do endanger us. Congress now has a clock ticking on regulations, with Jackson herself saying the nation would be better served by congressional legislation beyond the powers of the EPA. Obama now has leverage with other large polluting nations, leading by a fresh, unprecedented example at home. One of the high points of the early Obama administration has been letting Jackson deliver the president's message. Now Obama needs to deliver it himself.

Seth Oster/DC/USEPA/US

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Subject Fw: FORTUNE: EPA's Jackson: The new face of tough regulation

Alisha Johnson

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From: Alisha Johnson**Sent:** 09/29/2010 12:09 PM EDT**To:** Adora Andy; Seth Oster; Brendan Gilfillan; Betsaida Alcantara; Michael Moats; Vicki Ekstrom**Cc:** Dominique Bennis**Subject:** FORTUNE: EPA's Jackson: The new face of tough regulation

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EPA's Jackson: The new face of tough regulation

http://money.cnn.com/2010/09/29/news/companies/EPA_Lisa_Jackson_fracking.fortune/

By Shelley DuBoisSeptember 29, 2010: 11:56 AM ET

FORTUNE -- The Environmental Protection Agency has only recently had a face. That face has taken the form of Lisa Jackson -- the first African-American EPA administrator, appointed by Barack Obama in 2009. The landmark appointment caused a media stir, not for her race, but for the clean break with the recent past EPA administrators that her appointment represented.

Since then, Jackson has maintained a place in the spotlight and media circuit. Not only has she been a regular figure in the headlines, but she has brought the agency with her. (She's also #6 on Fortune's Most Powerful Woman D.C. Power List.)

0Email Print CommentRecently, the EPA has been front and center in the northeast because it's stepping in to a controversy about natural gas drilling, or fracking. The agency has scheduled hearings across the country where locals could voice their concerns about a fracking to a panel of four EPA members. The hearings brought policy-makers to the people.

Jackson seems keen to do that across the EPA's entire mandate. She's tech-savvy and transparent compared to other people who have been in her position. You can follow her through all kinds of social media, and many of the EPA's activities posted on the webpage call for public participation. She's been on David Letterman and the Daily Show with Jon Stewart. According to the EPA webpage, she's given 125 official speeches and public addresses since she joined the last year. Her predecessor Stephen Johnson made under 90 during his entire four-year term.

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Jackson's credentials have probably prepped her to be more media savvy. Like Johnson, Jackson worked for the EPA before being appointed administrator. But she has also been in the political game-she worked as chief of staff for New Jersey Senator John Corzine, and served as commissioner for the state's Department of Environmental Protection.

She has a science background, which is actually surprisingly new for the administration. The first professional scientist ever hired to head the EPA was Johnson, who made his mark with his work against legislative efforts to curb greenhouse gas emissions. Before him, Michael Leavitt was head administrator. Leavitt served as governor of Utah for a while, and worked as the CEO of an insurance company. He replaced Christine Todd Whitman, who left the EPA mid-term, allegedly because of former Vice President

Dick Cheney's push to exempt companies from the pollution standards of the Clean Air Act.

Compared to her predecessors, Jackson has been a strong voice for policy to address climate change-although she's had some major setbacks, too, thanks to the frosty legislative climate. Probably her biggest has been the carbon cap-and-trade bill that Democratic leaders in the Senate threw out this past summer.

The bill would have been a big win for Jackson and the EPA, which would have been tapping into its ability to regulate greenhouse gasses via the Clean Air Act. Now the agency has to figure out how to cut emissions while keeping the industry happy, and re-think its strategy for navigating a sluggish Congress.

The stumble illustrates what may be the downside of being an accessible, even likable EPA leader. Jackson has positioned herself so prominently that she takes much of the heat from environmentalists when the agency falters, and faces resistance from industries to regulation that could actually break ground. It's a problem that has pervaded the entire Obama administration's tenure, as progressive goals repeatedly run into the political realities of doing business in Washington.

Yet with all eyes on Lisa Jackson, she could give the EPA some muscle that it's never had before. Or, if the administration can't get even compromise versions of its signature environmental agenda through Congress, she could end up, even in the eyes of environmentalists who lives through the Bush years, in the unfortunate and unfair role of scapegoat.

Seth Oster/DC/USEPA/US

10/13/2010 10:01 AM

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Subject Fw: From today's LA Times

This story incorrectly reports you were at the tainjin talks. I'm working now to get it corrected.

Seth

Mark Kasman

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To: Seth Oster; Michelle DePass; Shalini Vajjhala

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Gary Waxmonsky

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US environment chief says hope for progress on emissions despite friction over climate change

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SHANGHAI (AP) — China and the U.S. are working together on cutting greenhouse gas emissions despite the deadlock over a broader global agreement on fighting climate change, the head of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said Wednesday.

"My hope is that we will see continued progress on the issues. They are vitally important," EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson, said in Shanghai after attending U.N. climate talks in northern China's Tianjin last week.

Modest progress at the Tianjin talks was eclipsed by the acrimonious standoff between China and the U.S. over monitoring and verification of efforts by developing nations to curb the greenhouse gas emissions that are blamed for global warming.

Countries remain at odds over how to split the burden of emission cuts and how to verify them.

The U.S. wants China and other developing countries to commit to mandatory, rather than just voluntary goals. Beijing, meanwhile, accuses the U.S. and other wealthy countries of failing to make cuts in carbon dioxide emissions — created in part by burning fossil fuels like oil and coal — commensurate with their massive historical contribution to the problem.

China's 2011-16 five-year-plan, a national economic planning blueprint now being drafted, calls for reducing the amount of energy used per dollar of GDP by 17 percent and for cutting fossil-fuel emissions by about 20 percent from 2010 levels, the newspaper Shanghai Securities News reported Wednesday, citing a source involved in drafting the plan.

The country has shut down thousands of heavily polluting power plants, smelters and steel mills as part of its effort to meet a goal of cutting carbon-based emissions per unit of GDP by 40 to 45 percent by 2020. But at the same time, the fast-growing country of 1.3 billion has become the world's biggest emitter.

Jackson said that despite a barrage of complaints from China and other developing countries that the U.S. and other wealthy nations are failing to commit to substantial reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, American society is making clear progress.

"Part of the message I've hopefully conveyed to my counterparts and the other people I've met during this trip is that the U.S. is already started on reducing carbon emissions," Jackson told reporters.

"We regulate greenhouse gases in the U.S. We monitor and require emissions to be reported in the U.S. We have rules that are phasing in, slowly, regulations for reducing emissions from stationary sources," she said.

Despite acrimony at the diplomatic level, those working on China's own environmental protection are keen to move ahead on cooperation aimed at improving the country's heavily polluted air, water and soil, Jackson said.

"I have found nothing but interest and enthusiasm among my counterparts for making further gains. It's simply because of the fact that China cannot be fully sustainable on the track it is on without considering issues related to air and water quality," she said, noting the daunting challenges also faced in the U.S.

Jackson was due later Wednesday to visit a joint air quality monitoring project in Shanghai, which aims to monitor and measure real-time emissions data, which she described as "crucial for goal setting," as China works to improve its own air quality.

Jackson did not elaborate, however, on any details of specific progress that might help to bridge the logjam over climate change goals before next month's meeting in Cancun, Mexico, which aims to secure a binding deal to curb greenhouse gases.

The talks are meant to craft a replacement for the Kyoto Protocol, which legally mandated modest emissions reductions and expires in 2012. The U.S. never ratified that treaty.

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June 14, 2010

Clinton-Era Secretary Blasts Interior; Scientists Say Salazar Should Quit

By PATRICK REIS of Greenwire

The Interior Department is under attack from a former department chief who said it is incapable of overseeing offshore drilling and from a group of scientists and environmental groups calling for its current head to be fired.

Bruce Babbitt, Interior secretary under President Clinton, said Interior's Minerals Management Service **lacks the tools to provide adequate environmental oversight of offshore oil and gas operations and the job should instead fall to U.S. EPA.**

"The Interior Department can supervise collecting the money and giving the licenses but we need an absolutely independent regulator, and I think EPA is the logical choice," Babbitt said yesterday on the TV program "Platts Energy Week."

Last month, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar ordered a massive overhaul of MMS, breaking the agency into three separate offices responsible for issuing permits of offshore drilling, collecting revenue from those operations and enforcing safety regulations.

MMS is under fire for cozy relationships with industry and reports of sex, pornography viewing and drug use, as well as approving offshore drilling operations -- including BP PLC's exploration plan for the area where oil is now gushing into the Gulf -- by way of a "categorical exclusion," a streamlined environmental review intended to be applied only to routine projects.

Babbitt said Salazar's reorganization plan does not go far enough. "I think Salazar is basically

rearranging the chairs on the deck of the Titanic," he said.

Babbitt said the industry has "essentially been self-regulating" for years, across both Democratic and Republican administrations but that the more serious problems did not take hold until President George W. Bush took office. "The corruption that has crept into the agency is a relatively recent phenomenon coming out of the deregulatory ethic that crept up during the Bush administration," he said.

Enviro groups want change at top

A coalition of 101 environmental groups and scientists said today that Salazar has failed to reform that corruption and should be fired for it.

"Today we know that real reform at MMS never happened," the coalition wrote in a [letter](#) (pdf) to President Obama asking him to demand Salazar's resignation. "MMS continued its reckless lack of oversight of the oil and gas industry, this time in the form of rubberstamping offshore oil and gas development."

The letter, whose signatories include national and regional wildlife groups and a handful of former Interior scientists, is also critical of Salazar's efforts on restoring scientific integrity, protecting endangered species and overseeing the coal industry.

Interior spokeswoman Kendra Barkoff defended Salazar's efforts following the Gulf spill and his plan to restructure MMS.

"Secretary Salazar has ordered a fundamental restructuring of MMS that will be systemic and not cosmetic because he is well aware that we need to clean up the troubled agency and restore balance to the development of our nation's offshore energy resources," she said.

Along with the creation of a body within MMS dedicated exclusively to inspecting energy operations, Salazar is asking Congress to boost funding for the inspections.

The Interior chief is also asking Congress to triple its 30-day deadline for MMS to respond to exploration plans submitted by oil and gas companies, saying that a 90-day review period would provide time for additional environmental and safety reviews.

"The secretary is devoting 100 percent of his time to the fight to protect the Gulf Coast from BP's oil spill and will not rest until the leak is stopped, the affected communities are made whole and the Gulf Coast is restored," Barkoff added.

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A Ray of Light in China? EPA Administrator Attempts to Defuse Climate Standoff
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The climate talks in Tianjin last week did very little to improve the prospects for a binding international treaty, which would reduce the greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions that are warming the globe. In the wake of the disappointing meeting, Lisa Jackson, the administrator of the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), made her first official visit to China. During the trip, which began Saturday as Tianjin talks came to a close and ended yesterday, Jackson and her Chinese counterpart, Environmental Protection Minister Zhou Shengxian, renewed a bilateral environmental "memorandum of understanding" that had expired in 2008. Will this pact help defuse the superpowers' climate standoff?

Tensions in Tianjin

The frustrating UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) meeting again made clear the gulf of understanding between the US and China. Like painful repeat of the 2009 Copenhagen climate summit, the Tianjin talks stalled when China refused to consider America's call for all pledges made by developing countries to be independently monitored and verified. Claiming this would violate the Kyoto Protocol's principle of differentiated responsibilities for rich and poor countries, Chinese negotiator Huang Huikang said, "I want to emphasize on our side no compromise on the two track process and no compromise on the interests of developing countries."

The Times of India offered further insight into why developing giants like China are so opposed to independent monitoring: "The US stance of demanding equal level of scrutiny of mitigation actions of emerging economies is considered a backdoor route of converting the voluntary actions of countries like China, India, Brazil and South Africa into international commitments."

US climate change envoy Todd Stern, who was not even at Tianjin, further entrenched Chinese resistance to the American proposal. In a speech at the University of Michigan Law School, he alleged that China was acting as if the Copenhagen Accord "never happened." Su Wei, a senior Chinese climate change delegate at the talks, responded in a press conference by comparing the US to a vain pig. "[The US] has no measures or actions to show for itself, and instead it criticizes China, which is actively taking measures and actions," Su huffed. "The developed countries are trying every means possible to avoid discussion of the essential issue--that is, emission reductions."

Other nations watched helplessly as the political posturing of the world's two largest climate polluters prevented movement on the other policies the negotiators had hoped to address in Tianjin. Dessima

Williams, Grenada's UN ambassador and the chair of the Alliance of Small Island States, suggested to Bloomberg that the US and China "have negotiations inside the negotiations." She described their squabbling as a "brinkmanship game... if you don't jump, I won't jump."

Limits of bilateral diplomacy

So is this week's US-China environmental pact a hop in the right direction? Although it addresses climate change, Jackson and Zhou studiously avoided the contentious issue of increasing verified emissions cuts. The 15-page memorandum pledges in the driest of legalese to collaborate on the prevention of air pollution like GHGs and on the development, implementation, and enforcement of international law such as the hotly negotiated international climate agreement that the UN hopes will take effect in 2012, when the first Kyoto commitment period ends.

The EPA's Jackson tried to put a optimistic spin on the agreement: "China and the United States share a number of environmental challenges, from improving the air our citizens are breathing at the local level to fighting climate change that affects our entire planet, and we must take on these challenges while continuing to expand opportunity at home and abroad," she said in an intentionally vague statement. "This was an important step in our collaboration to protect our environment and increase prosperity for generations to come."

Mother Nature Network blogger Andrew Shenkel hesitantly agrees with Jackson: "This pact could be a tiny small step towards combating this game of apathetic brinkmanship." He thinks the symbolism of environmental cooperation with China could prove valuable in the effort to convince American legislators to enact or sign onto climate protection regimes. Perhaps. But what is more urgently required of Jackson, the Obama administration, and US negotiators is a credible domestic emissions reduction plan that they can bring to the negotiating table at the big UNFCCC summit in Cancun at the end of November.

With the failure of the US climate bill, the government's capacity to reduce GHG emissions is greatly limited. An analysis from the World Resources Institute released shortly after the bill died in the Senate shows that, if the administration and state governments were to aggressively use every GHG pollution prevention tool they have available to them, the US would come close to-but still fall short of-the small 5% emission cut from 1990 levels that it promised in Copenhagen. US negotiators need to be able to deliver at least that much in at the Cancun climate summit.

Bilateral environmental diplomacy isn't a bad thing, it's just inadequate for dealing with the worldwide threat posed by climate change. It'd be better that Jackson spent her time getting the US climate and energy policy in order instead of trying to coordinate and influence Chinese policymakers. China's government, which recently invested \$11.7 billion in Chinese solar firms and controls 43% of the global market for solar panels, is already light years ahead.

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WVDEP trying to head off EPA on mining

March 3, 2010 by Ken Ward Jr.



West Virginia's [Department of Environmental Protection](#) just announced plans to seek public input on how the state's [water quality standards](#).

But is this all just part of an effort to avoid any federal government crackdown on mountaintop removal, or is [WVDEP](#) [plan to reduce the impacts itself](#)?

WVDEP is going to start accepting public comments on implementation of what's known as the narrative standard [Tattoo](#), that standard prohibits:

... Any other condition that adversely alters the integrity of the waters of the state ... no significant adverse impact on the physical, chemical, or biological components of aquatic ecosystems shall be allowed.

Of course, that standard is one of the major legal triggers the federal Environmental Protection Agency has cited [regulators](#) and the state's coal industry to reduce the impacts of mountaintop removal.



WVDEP Secretary Randy Huffman called me this afternoon to tip me off that this formal announcement he was nice enough to do the same thing two months ago, [when WVDEP first announced plans to come up with a narrative standard](#). Oddly, though, Randy told me today that WVDEP is not putting out a proposed guidance document. WVDEP is just going to ask anyone who is interested to submit ideas for what such a document might look like.

It's not a comment period, because it's not a standards issue.

But, he added:

That seems to be a big gap in the water regulatory program right now. it's necessary for us to do this.

Randy said he doesn't want stacks of studies, reports or data, but actual suggestions for how to integrate science into the regulatory process.

I'm not looking for data and reports. I have that. Nor do I intend to debate the pros and cons of coal mining. We need ideas on how we can measure aquatic life impacts and tie those impacts back to the problem where we can then regulate under the Clean Water Act.

Comments can be sent to WVDEP's office at 601 57th Street SE
Charleston, WV 25304. Or, you can [e-mail them](#).

Still, why is WVDEP doing this comment period now, rather than drafting its proposed policy and guidance?

Well, Randy explained that he was just on a conference call earlier this week with environmental protection officials from EPA Region 4, who were worried because of reports out of EPA Region 4 (which includes Kentucky and Tennessee) about a federal report that said what the current science says about the [levels of water conductivity or salinity that are causing serious problems](#).

According to Randy, that EPA report was putting the figure at between 280 and 350. Typically, conductivity is less than 100 [micro mhos/cm](#). And Randy and other state regulators were none too happy about this EPA report.

You can't do anything with that. You can't clean off a parking lot with that. There is just no way.

We've all been waiting for months for the results of [another in-depth EPA examination of mountaintop removal impacts](#). A journal Science published a peer-reviewed paper that found the impacts to be "pervasive and irreversible." And WVDEP has produced two reports, one a more general examination of mountaintop removal and another more narrow study on the impacts of mountaintop removal on water quality.

So it's a little confusing now for WVDEP to be seeking comment without even giving the public a draft proposal. It's focused on the narrative standard, instead of proposing numeric water quality standards that would give the coal industry a clear target. And, why did the WVDEP's news release try to draw attention away from the coal industry, the coal industry's

Water quality has become the main topic of conversation across all types of industry, and there is a great deal of considered impairment. Our goal is to take into consideration the ideas of others as we develop our plan for improved standards.

The goal of the as-yet unreleased EPA conductivity study was to figure out what level of pollution from mountaintop removal — so regulators could then set a standard and write permit limits meant to avoid that harm. Why not wait and see if regulations accordingly?



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Power Company Contradicts Itself on EPA Rules
National Journal

By Amy Harder

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American Electric Power, one of the nation's biggest coal utilities, downplayed the impact of EPA regulations to its investors while forecasting a doom-and-gloom outcome for Washington policymakers.

AEP has come under scrutiny after announcing on June 9 that it would have to close five of its coal-fired power plants and post a net loss of 600 jobs because of Clean Air Act regulations.

Other utilities employ this strategy, too. Investors have different concerns than average Americans and lawmakers, after all. But the seemingly contradictory comments are drawing renewed scrutiny as EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson works to finalize a slew of controversial standards for major polluters that could potentially change the economy. EPA plans to regulate everything from mercury to greenhouse gases. Republicans have attacked those regulations and introduced legislation to curb the agency's power.

"Because of the unrealistic compliance timelines in the EPA proposals, we will have to prematurely shut down nearly 25 percent of our current coal-fueled generating capacity, cut hundreds of good power-plant jobs, and invest billions of dollars in capital to retire, retrofit, and replace coal-fueled power plants," AEP chairman and CEO Mike Morris said in a statement last week. "The sudden increase in electricity rates and impacts on state economies will be significant at a time when people and states are still struggling."

A week earlier, Morris had sought to allay investors' concerns about the plant closures and their effect on AEP's bottom line at a June 1 investors conference.

"On balance, we think that is the appropriate way to go," Morris said of the closures. "Not only to treat our customers, but also to treat our shareholders, near and long term, with that small amount of the fleet going off-line."

Most of what AEP said it will have to shutter is spare capacity, used when it's very hot or cold. (The plants were used, for example, during last week's Midwestern heat spell.) That fact was not included in the company's release, but Morris made sure to remind investors.

"As you know, those are high-cost plants and dispatch infrequently," Morris said. He went on to add that most of them didn't run at all in 2009 because natural-gas prices were so low.

AEP spokeswoman Melissa McHenry told National Journal Daily that the plants slated for closure haven't been used much in recent years because of low natural-gas prices, but that having them available for use in times of extreme temperatures seems crucial.

McHenry said costs made closing plants a better alternative than retrofitting them. Consumers would still face surging electricity prices because of the time frame, which AEP and many other coal utilities say is unrealistic. Companies must comply with two of EPA's major set of rules by 2015. AEP wants the compliance time frame extended to 2020.

Southern Co., another major coal utility, also fights EPA's regulations and tries to walk a fine line. CEO Tom Fanning told investors in the first-quarter earnings statement that he remains "confident or optimistic perhaps that we've been able to work through some tough complex issues in the past." He also said that extending the compliance timeline to 2018 would make him "feel a lot more comfortable about being able to run our portfolio."

EPA's Jackson was not impressed with the AEP announcement last week. She said after a hearing on Wednesday that it was "misleading at best, scare tactics at worst."

Southern's Fanning, meanwhile, had positive words to say about the agency's administrator.

"In my constructive conversations with Lisa Jackson, she, I think, recognizes that the EPA—last thing they want us to create [is] reliability crises," he said in the earnings statement.

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Seth - Thank you. I am very proud to work for our Administrator and our Agency.

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Wednesday's New York Times will have a lengthy story about EPA and Administrator Jackson. The story is pasted below and this is the link to it online.

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E.P.A. Chief Stands Firm as Tough Rules Loom

By [JOHN M. BRODER](#)

WASHINGTON – In the next weeks and months, [Lisa P. Jackson](#), the [Environmental Protection Agency](#) administrator, is scheduled to establish regulations on smog, mercury, carbon dioxide, mining waste and vehicle emissions that will affect every corner of the economy.

She is working under intense pressure from opponents in Congress, from powerful industries, from impatient environmentalists and from the Supreme Court, which just [affirmed the agency's duty](#) to address [global warming](#) emissions, a project that carries profound economic implications.

The new rules will roll out just as [President Obama](#)'s re-election campaign is getting under way, with a White House highly sensitive to the probability of political damage from a flood of government mandates that will strike particularly hard at the manufacturing sector in states crucial to the 2012 election.

No other cabinet officer is in as lonely or uncomfortable a position as Ms. Jackson, who has been left, as one adviser put it, behind enemy lines with only science, the law and a small band of loyal lieutenants to support her.

Ms. Jackson describes the job as draining but says there are certain principles she will not compromise, including rapid and vigorous enforcement of some of the most far-reaching health-related rules ever considered by the agency.

"The only thing worse than no E.P.A. is an E.P.A. that exists and doesn't do its job – it becomes just a placebo," she said last week in an hourlong interview in Houston. "We are doing our job."

Although she has not met with the president privately since February, Ms. Jackson said she was confident that he would back her on the tough decisions she had to make. "All of us are mindful that he has a lot of things to do," she said.

Attacks on her and her agency have become a central part of the Republican playbook, but she said she wanted no sympathy.

"Any E.P.A. director sits at the intersection of some very important issues – air pollution, clean water, and whether businesses can survive," said Ms. Jackson, a chemical engineer trained at Tulane and Princeton Universities and a former director of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. "No one knows this job unless they've sat in the seat."

Ms. Jackson said she intended to go forward with new, tougher air- and water-quality rules, including those that address climate change, despite Congressional efforts to override her authority and even a White House initiative to weed out overly burdensome regulations.

The first of these new rules is expected to be announced Thursday, imposing tighter restrictions on soot and smog emissions from coal-burning power plants in 31 states east of the Rockies. The regulation is expected to lead to the closing of several older plants and will require the installation of scrubbers at many of those that remain in operation. One former E.P.A. administrator, [William K. Reilly](#), who served under the first President George Bush, is a sometime adviser to Ms. Jackson. He said she was taking fire from all sides.

"She's got three very large challenges," Mr. Reilly said. "First, she's got to administer the [Clean Air Act](#) to try to accomplish something for which it was never designed, the control of carbon dioxide, a difficult

regulatory challenge in itself. Second, she has to do that and cope with all these other regulations which are not of her making and have come to land on her desk in a climate of intense political polarization and economic distress.”

“And the third challenge,” he continued, “is that the White House – any White House – doesn’t want to hear an awful lot from the E.P.A. It’s not an agency that ever makes friends for a president. In the cabinet room, many of the secretaries got along with each other, but they all had an argument with me. It’s the nature of the job.”

Mr. Reilly said the White House had left Ms. Jackson out on a limb when it failed to push hard for the [cap-and-trade climate change bill](#) that passed the House in 2009 but stalled in the Senate last year. Administration officials had argued that legislation was far superior to agency regulation as a means of addressing climate-altering emissions. But when the bill ran up against bipartisan opposition in the Senate, Mr. Reilly said, “the White House didn’t lift a finger,” an assertion administration officials dispute.

The White House said that it fully supported the agency’s aggressive standards for a variety of pollutants to protect public health and the environment and denied that it was resisting further regulatory action for political reasons.

“It’s simply a matter of choosing the health and safety of the American people over polluters,” Clark Stevens, a White House spokesman, said in an e-mailed statement, “and doing so in a common-sense way that allows us to protect public health while also growing the economy – which will continue to be a shared goal of this entire administration.”

One of Ms. Jackson’s most vocal critics is [Representative Edward Whitfield](#), Republican of Kentucky and chairman of the energy and power subcommittee of the House Energy and Commerce Committee. He has held several hearings at which Ms. Jackson served as target practice for opponents of E.P.A. regulation of carbon dioxide and other pollutants. Ms. Jackson said that was the roughest treatment she had gotten in her two and a half years in Washington.

Mr. Whitfield, who has never met privately with Ms. Jackson, was unapologetic.

“It is unprecedented the number of major regulations this administration is putting out,” he said, “and I can’t tell you how many calls and meetings and letters I have asking, ‘Is there any way to slow E.P.A. down?’ ”

“What’s troubling to us,” Mr. Whitfield continued, “is that President Obama on the one hand is saying we have to be really careful about these regulations and consider the impact on jobs and the economy, but over at the agency they’re just going full speed ahead with minimal attention or analysis on job impact.”

One hot spot where Ms. Jackson can count on friendly treatment is “The Daily Show,” where she has [appeared](#) three times in two years. Questioning from the host, Jon Stewart, was gentle, to say the least, referring in a recent show to the agency’s “unassailable successes” in dealing with air and water pollution and to the “tremendous corporate interests” arrayed against her.

Even those most supportive of Ms. Jackson say that the agency has taken on a virtually unmanageable set of challenges across the range of policy, from mountaintop-removal coal mining to wetlands preservation to the control of toxic emissions from power plants and refineries. She is also in charge of federal restoration efforts in the Gulf of Mexico after the BP [oil spill](#).

“Have they bitten off more than they can chew?” asked Jason S. Grumet, president of the [Bipartisan Policy Center](#), who has close ties to the White House and the agency. “Yes. But that’s a testament to their aspirations, and now reality is setting in.”

The reality being that there is often political fallout whenever tough policy decisions are made, and that the timing of Ms. Jackson’s rule setting could not be more inopportune for Mr. Obama. “It’s always the case that there are conflicts between good policy and good politics, and the E.P.A. is often the crucible of

those challenges," Mr. Grumet said.

One of the toughest pending decisions, he said, concerns a standard for permissible levels of smog-causing compounds including [ozone](#). The agency's scientific advisory panel has recommended setting a high bar that could put hundreds of counties out of compliance with the law, forcing them to take action to reduce emissions, even though the pollutants may be generated beyond their jurisdiction.

The law requires that E.P.A. make such decisions based solely on the health effects of the pollution, not on the possible cost of compliance, creating a huge political problem.

"Telling a government that has to stand for re-election that it should make decisions with no consideration of cost is understandably going to create great agita in the political offices," Mr. Grumet said.

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Wednesday's New York Times will have a lengthy story about EPA and Administrator Jackson. The story is pasted below and this is the link to it online.

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E.P.A. Chief Stands Firm as Tough Rules Loom

By [JOHN M. BRODER](#)

WASHINGTON – In the next weeks and months, [Lisa P. Jackson](#), the [Environmental Protection Agency](#) administrator, is scheduled to establish regulations on smog, mercury, carbon dioxide, mining waste and vehicle emissions that will affect every corner of the economy.

She is working under intense pressure from opponents in Congress, from powerful industries, from impatient environmentalists and from the Supreme Court, which just [affirmed the agency's duty](#) to address [global warming](#) emissions, a project that carries profound economic implications.

The new rules will roll out just as [President Obama](#)'s re-election campaign is getting under way, with a White House highly sensitive to the probability of political damage from a flood of government mandates that will strike particularly hard at the manufacturing sector in states crucial to the 2012 election.

No other cabinet officer is in as lonely or uncomfortable a position as Ms. Jackson, who has been left, as one adviser put it, behind enemy lines with only science, the law and a small band of loyal lieutenants to support her.

Ms. Jackson describes the job as draining but says there are certain principles she will not compromise, including rapid and vigorous enforcement of some of the most far-reaching health-related rules ever considered by the agency.

"The only thing worse than no E.P.A. is an E.P.A. that exists and doesn't do its job – it becomes just a placebo," she said last week in an hourlong interview in Houston. "We are doing our job."

Although she has not met with the president privately since February, Ms. Jackson said she was confident that he would back her on the tough decisions she had to make. "All of us are mindful that he has a lot of things to do," she said.

Attacks on her and her agency have become a central part of the Republican playbook, but she said she wanted no sympathy.

“Any E.P.A. director sits at the intersection of some very important issues – air pollution, clean water, and whether businesses can survive,” said Ms. Jackson, a chemical engineer trained at Tulane and Princeton Universities and a former director of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. “No one knows this job unless they’ve sat in the seat.”

Ms. Jackson said she intended to go forward with new, tougher air- and water-quality rules, including those that address climate change, despite Congressional efforts to override her authority and even a White House initiative to weed out overly burdensome regulations.

The first of these new rules is expected to be announced Thursday, imposing tighter restrictions on soot and smog emissions from coal-burning power plants in 31 states east of the Rockies. The regulation is expected to lead to the closing of several older plants and will require the installation of scrubbers at many of those that remain in operation. One former E.P.A. administrator, [William K. Reilly](#), who served under the first President George Bush, is a sometime adviser to Ms. Jackson. He said she was taking fire from all sides.

“She’s got three very large challenges,” Mr. Reilly said. “First, she’s got to administer the [Clean Air Act](#) to try to accomplish something for which it was never designed, the control of carbon dioxide, a difficult regulatory challenge in itself. Second, she has to do that and cope with all these other regulations which are not of her making and have come to land on her desk in a climate of intense political polarization and economic distress.”

“And the third challenge,” he continued, “is that the White House – any White House – doesn’t want to hear an awful lot from the E.P.A. It’s not an agency that ever makes friends for a president. In the cabinet room, many of the secretaries got along with each other, but they all had an argument with me. It’s the nature of the job.”

Mr. Reilly said the White House had left Ms. Jackson out on a limb when it failed to push hard for the [cap-and-trade climate change bill](#) that passed the House in 2009 but stalled in the Senate last year. Administration officials had argued that legislation was far superior to agency regulation as a means of addressing climate-altering emissions. But when the bill ran up against bipartisan opposition in the Senate, Mr. Reilly said, “the White House didn’t lift a finger,” an assertion administration officials dispute.

The White House said that it fully supported the agency’s aggressive standards for a variety of pollutants to protect public health and the environment and denied that it was resisting further regulatory action for political reasons.

“It’s simply a matter of choosing the health and safety of the American people over polluters,” Clark Stevens, a White House spokesman, said in an e-mailed statement, “and doing so in a common-sense way that allows us to protect public health while also growing the economy – which will continue to be a shared goal of this entire administration.”

One of Ms. Jackson’s most vocal critics is [Representative Edward Whitfield](#), Republican of Kentucky and chairman of the energy and power subcommittee of the House Energy and Commerce Committee. He has held several hearings at which Ms. Jackson served as target practice for opponents of E.P.A. regulation of carbon dioxide and other pollutants. Ms. Jackson said that was the roughest treatment she had gotten in her two and a half years in Washington.

Mr. Whitfield, who has never met privately with Ms. Jackson, was unapologetic.

“It is unprecedented the number of major regulations this administration is putting out,” he said, “and I can’t tell you how many calls and meetings and letters I have asking, ‘Is there any way to slow E.P.A. down?’ ”

“What’s troubling to us,” Mr. Whitfield continued, “is that President Obama on the one hand is saying we have to be really careful about these regulations and consider the impact on jobs and the economy, but

over at the agency they're just going full speed ahead with minimal attention or analysis on job impact."

One hot spot where Ms. Jackson can count on friendly treatment is "The Daily Show," where she has [appeared](#) three times in two years. Questioning from the host, Jon Stewart, was gentle, to say the least, referring in a recent show to the agency's "unassailable successes" in dealing with air and water pollution and to the "tremendous corporate interests" arrayed against her.

Even those most supportive of Ms. Jackson say that the agency has taken on a virtually unmanageable set of challenges across the range of policy, from mountaintop-removal coal mining to wetlands preservation to the control of toxic emissions from power plants and refineries. She is also in charge of federal restoration efforts in the Gulf of Mexico after the BP [oil spill](#).

"Have they bitten off more than they can chew?" asked Jason S. Grumet, president of the [Bipartisan Policy Center](#), who has close ties to the White House and the agency. "Yes. But that's a testament to their aspirations, and now reality is setting in."

The reality being that there is often political fallout whenever tough policy decisions are made, and that the timing of Ms. Jackson's rule setting could not be more inopportune for Mr. Obama. "It's always the case that there are conflicts between good policy and good politics, and the E.P.A. is often the crucible of those challenges," Mr. Grumet said.

One of the toughest pending decisions, he said, concerns a standard for permissible levels of smog-causing compounds including [ozone](#). The agency's scientific advisory panel has recommended setting a high bar that could put hundreds of counties out of compliance with the law, forcing them to take action to reduce emissions, even though the pollutants may be generated beyond their jurisdiction.

The law requires that E.P.A. make such decisions based solely on the health effects of the pollution, not on the possible cost of compliance, creating a huge political problem.

"Telling a government that has to stand for re-election that it should make decisions with no consideration of cost is understandably going to create great agita in the political offices," Mr. Grumet said.

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Wow. Semple.....congrats, Lisa.
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NEW YORK TIMES

December 8, 2009

Editorial

The Endangerment Finding

The Environmental Protection Agency formally declared on Monday that carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases constitute a threat to human health and welfare. The move empowers the agency to regulate these emissions and gives President Obama an important tool if Congress fails to pass legislation to reduce global warming emissions.

Mr. Obama and the E.P.A. administrator, Lisa Jackson, have said repeatedly that they would much prefer a comprehensive legislative approach. But while the House has passed a broad climate change bill, the prospects in the Senate are uncertain. The threat of regulation gives Congress extra incentive to act; regulation would provide a strong backstop if it does not.

The E.P.A.'s declaration — known as an “endangerment finding” — is a necessary precondition under the Clean Air Act to regulatory action. Earlier this year, the administration proposed new rules limiting greenhouse gas emissions from cars and light trucks. Those rules, which have been broadly accepted by industry and will be accompanied by big increases in fuel-economy standards, will now be finalized.

The finding also allows the E.P.A. to regulate emissions from stationary sources including power plants, refineries and factories. So far, Ms. Jackson has offered no specific proposals — though she is working on them — beyond a “tailoring rule” that would limit any new regulations to big operations that produce 25,000 tons or more a year of carbon emissions.

Even so, the mere prospect of regulation has inspired something approaching panic, with industry groups like the Chamber of Commerce railing against “top-down, command-and-control” regulation. The House, in an otherwise admirable climate change bill, included a provision restricting the E.P.A.'s authority to control emissions.

This is utterly wrongheaded. The Supreme Court ruled two years ago that the E.P.A. has clear authority under the Clean Air Act to regulate greenhouse gases. It should be retained as both a goad and a backstop.

There is one obvious way to keep the E.P.A. from having to use this authority on a broad scale. And that is for Congress to pass a credible and comprehensive bill requiring economywide cuts in emissions.

No one would be cheering louder than Ms. Jackson, who has neither the resources nor the ambition to regulate what would amount to 70 percent of the American economy. If Congress fails to act, she will have no choice.

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Browner sees enough votes to block bills that scuttle EPA climate rules

By Ben Geman - 04/20/10 11:29 AM ET

White House climate adviser Carol Browner said Tuesday that legislation to block EPA regulation of greenhouse gas emissions is unlikely to pass.

Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) has 40 co-sponsors – including three centrist Democrats – for her plan to overturn EPA’s “endangerment finding” that greenhouse gases threaten humans. The finding is the legal underpinning for regulating emissions.

Sen. Jay Rockefeller (D-W.Va.) has floated a less sweeping plan that would block planned regulation of emissions from industrial plants for two years.

The Obama administration opposes stripping EPA authority. Asked whether there are enough votes to block legislation that hamstring EPA, Browner replied “I think so.”

The White House says its first choice is for Congress to approve a broad climate change and energy bill, but warns that EPA is prepared to act under its current powers if Congress remains deadlocked.

Murkowski’s plan – if it comes to the floor – would not be subject to filibuster. But Browner expressed confidence that even if it passed the Senate, it would face widespread resistance in the House.

Murkowski’s plan would upend a recently finalized EPA-Transportation Department rule that created joint greenhouse gas and mileage standards for cars and light trucks. Automakers support the rule because it will prevent them from being subject to multiple state-based emissions rules.

“You have got a lot of people in the House who think the car rule is a good rule, it’s the right

thing to do, whether it be the members from California or the members from Michigan,” Browner said. She spoke at an energy forum hosted by the National Journal Group.

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AUSTIN – In another push to change the way Texas regulates air pollution, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said Tuesday it's taking over the issuance of an operating permit for a Corpus Christi refinery and could step in at some 39 other refineries, chemical plants and other facilities.

"I think the writing will be on the wall – unless we start seeing better permits that address our objections, we are very likely to begin federalizing others," Al Armendariz, EPA regional administrator, said in a telephone interview. "The state is not following federal Clean Air Act requirements."

Tuesday's action on a Flint Hills Resources refinery in Corpus Christi means the facility must submit an application with detailed information to the federal agency, which could approve or deny a permit. The company said it was evaluating the letter.

The list of facilities that could come next include many manufacturers and refiners in the Houston area. "We've never objected to 40 permits issued by a state permitting authority, and we've not federalized a permit in a state in this manner before unless we were requested to do so by a state or a particular facility," Armendariz said. "The action we're taking today, together with the 40 objections, is unprecedented."

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, which issues permits, in response released a letter from TCEQ Executive Director Mark R. Vickery to EPA that lays out state agency efforts and communication with EPA and said it "remains committed to reaching resolution of Title V (operating permit) objections."

"We still have significant differences in opinion on a number (of) issues, but processes for moving forward have been developed," Vickery wrote. "A collaborative effort will continue to be beneficial for both agencies' limited resources and the continued protection of the environment and public health."

Under the Clean Air Act, states must develop plans to meet federal

requirements aimed at protecting public health. EPA officials have been meeting with the state agency and representatives of industry and environmental groups to discuss what the EPA calls deficiencies with air emission permits. It barred another state rule earlier this year.

One main point of contention is the state's use of a so-called flexible permit, which sets an air emissions cap for an entire facility but allows leeway for various units within that facility. Regulators and environmental groups say that hinders enforcement of clean-air rules, and Armendariz said that type of permit has never been federally approved.

The EPA also objects to a process that allows a facility to make changes without going through a formal permitting process, meaning the public and the federal government are left in the dark, Armendariz said. In addition, the federal agency wants all requirements to be detailed within a permit, rather than just having a reference to where the requirements can be found, he said.

"I think it's another step in requiring some of the biggest air pollution sources in Texas to get permits that comply with the Clean Air Act," said Kelly Haragan, director of the University of Texas' environmental law clinic, which has been representing "environmental justice" groups in Houston and Corpus Christi on air permitting issues.

Reuters:

HOUSTON, May 14 (Reuters) - The Environmental Protection Agency is working to bring a Texas regulatory agency into compliance with federal law, which could affect dozens of major refiners, power plants and chemical facilities in the state that cannot meet current emission standards.

The Environmental Protection Agency has disapproved a number of key modifications made over the years by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to its clean-air permitting programs.

Changes made in key Texas programs under which dozens of oil refineries, chemical and power plants operate mean some permits may no longer comply with the federal Clean Air Act, the EPA said.

"We will have federally consistent permits issued in Texas soon," Al Armendariz, administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Region 6, told a Gulf Coast Power Association utility conference last month.

Texas has about 1,500 facilities classified as major air pollution sources under the Clean Air Act. Texas refineries account for 26 percent of the nation's refining capacity.

The EPA has begun filing objections to some recent TCEQ-issued operating permits, an action that puts those companies "between a rock and a hard place," said the state's top environmental regulator.

Objections have been filed against permits issued to operating units at Exxon Mobil's <XOM.N> Beaumont refinery, ConocoPhillips' <COP.N> Sweeny refinery and Dow Chemical <DOW.N> facilities.

Bryan Shaw, TCEQ chairman, said he remains optimistic that the two agencies can settle many of the disputes. However, he warned that TCEQ is limited by Texas law on some issues.

"I'm encouraged that through our discussions we have been able to clarify some misperceptions EPA had about our program," Shaw said.

Tom "Smitty" Smith, executive director of Public Citizen in Texas, said environmental groups welcomed the EPA's crackdown on the Texas agency.

"For more than a decade, TCEQ has been ignoring federal law in the permitting process," Smith said. "The regional office is making clear that substantial changes are going to have to be made or there will be some changes in who's issuing permits in Texas."

The EPA dispute over TCEQ's "flexible permit" program will be the most difficult of the remaining issues to resolve, said TCEQ's Shaw.

"Our program is not broken, it's just misunderstood," he said.

The "flexible permit" program allows companies to lump emissions from multiple sources under a single "cap" rather than individually by equipment source, which complicates the inspection process and has raised complaints from environmental groups, the EPA said.

While there are only 150 or so flexible permits issued, they include large refiners, a liquefied natural gas plant, chemical plants, some coal-fired power plants and companies that manufacture plastic, soup, glass and air conditioners.

The Texas program brought older plants that were "grandfathered" by state law -- and not subject to emission controls -- into the permit world, significantly reducing dangerous emissions, Shaw said.

"To undo the program now could allow emissions to rise, Shaw said. "I don't want to lose the environmental benefits associated with the flexible program."

Shaw said new TCEQ draft rules will be put out for public comment soon, with board action set for June.

Houston Chronicle:

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The list of facilities that could come next the include chemical plants, refineries and other facilities, such as the Goodyear Tire & Rubber plants in Bayport and Houston, the Motiva Enterprises Houston terminal, Rhodia Inc.'s Houston plant, the Chevron Phillips Cedar Bayou facility and Valero's Texas City facility. Other company permits that have drawn scrutiny from the EPA include Exxon Mobil, Dow Chemical Co. and Formosa Plastics.

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Flexible permit at issue

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Strong objections

Business and industry groups called the EPA action wrongheaded.

"EPA has either been told or been convinced by environmental groups that the permitting program that Texas operates is somehow deficient or not completely consistent with federal law. Our position, and the position of both the chemical manufacturers and refineries that are covered by these state permits, is that those allegations are completely false and without any foundation," said Stephen Minick, of the Texas Association of Business.

Minick called it "a complete waste" and "very expensive" for companies to have to submit applications to the EPA, predicting that at the end of the process, the federal agency would find they met all applicable requirements.

Hector L. Rivero, Texas Chemical Council president and chief executive officer, said, "This is the first time we are aware of EPA demanding a Texas facility apply directly to the federal government for a Title V (operating) permit. . . . We are incredulous that EPA would encroach on a state regulatory program that has a proven track record of success."

Armendariz said if TCEQ wants to retain authority over the rest of the permits at issue, state officials must "demonstrate to me in very short order . . . that these permits they are going to issue are going to be consistent with the Clean Air Act."

"Some agency has to be issuing permits that are complying with the Clean Air Act," he said. "If the state of Texas won't do it, then I have the legal obligation to assume that role."

AP:

HOUSTON — The Environmental Protection Agency moved Tuesday to end a long-running dispute with Texas over how the state regulates emissions, including cancer-causing toxins such as benzene and butadiene, from dozens of refineries that produce a third of the nation's gasoline and billions of dollars of petrochemicals.

In a step it called unprecedented, the agency barred Texas from issuing an operating permit to a refinery in Corpus Christi — a power it has traditionally delegated to state regulators. The EPA said it would do the same in dozens of other cases in which it believes the state's permits violate the Clean Air Act, and could potentially do so statewide by June 30.

"For me, July 1 is a very important day," Al Armendariz, an EPA regional director, told The Associated Press. "The state of Texas has to let me know if they can issue permits that are consistent with federal requirements, and if they can't, then we will."

The decision comes after months of unsuccessful talks between the EPA and the state over how Texas issues permits that stipulate how companies should measure pollution from refineries and other petrochemical plants. It is also the latest dispute between the EPA and a state that leads the nation in the emissions of greenhouse gases and industrial pollutants.

"It is deeply troubling that unelected federal bureaucrats are

willing to kill Texas jobs and derail one of the strongest economies in the country because they are more focused on process than achieving clean air," said a statement issued by the office of Texas Gov. Rick Perry.

At issue are the emissions from the refining of crude oil into gasoline, kerosene, polymers and other plastic-related chemicals. The Clean Air Act requires limits on pollution from each of the dozens of individual production units inside a plant or refinery. But since 1994, Texas has instead issued plants a "flexible permit" that provide a general ceiling on emissions from an entire facility.

Whether the use of flexible permits leads to more pollution is unknown, and environmentalists and the EPA say that's the problem.

Kelly Haragan, director of the environmental clinic at the University of Texas School of Law in Austin, said the flexible permits mean a production unit near a plant's perimeter could be emitting far more toxins than allowed by law, but the violation would be hidden by the plant-wide cap. In some refinery towns, homes, schools and playgrounds sit just yards away from such fence lines.

"There's no way for you to contest that they're not reporting their emissions correctly," Haragan said. "If it didn't have a flexible permit, there would be real emission limits and we would be able to bring enforcement action if they weren't complying with the permits."

Among the plants operating with a flexible permit is the nation's largest oil refinery, a massive Exxon Mobil plant in Baytown outside Houston, and facilities run by oil companies Chevron Corp. in Port Arthur, Citgo Petroleum Corp. in Corpus Christi and BP PLC in Pasadena.

The agency has for years failed to stop Texas from issuing flexible permits, even though it warned the state such permits might violate the law. Perry on Tuesday called the EPA's decision to pick a fight with the state after 16 years of inaction "baffling."

"The Clean Air Act authorizes the delegation of permitting authority to the states," Perry's statement said. "Texas has had our flexible permitting program in place ... for nearly two decades. However, under the Obama Administration there has been a concerted effort to transfer power away from the states to the federal government."

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality declined to comment on EPA's decision. Instead, it referred to a letter dated May 24 and signed by the commission's executive director, Mark Vickery. In the letter, he indicated the agency was frustrated by the dialogue with the EPA and said his agency "recognizes that certain companies' business needs ... may necessitate issuance of ... permits by EPA."

Armendariz said Tuesday the EPA will issue its own permit for the independently owned Flint Hills Corpus Christi East Refinery, and in the coming days begin to do the same for 39 other plants, including facilities owned by Exxon Mobil, Chevron, ConocoPhillips and Dow Chemical Co.

"The time for delay and for partnership and for compromise is very quickly coming to an end and we have to get the Clean Air Act implemented in the state of Texas," Armendariz said.

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You going to the afternoon reception at the WH on Sunday after the ceremony? You should.

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October 14, 2011

**WEEKEND GUIDANCE AND PRESS SCHEDULE FOR
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2011 AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2011**

On Saturday, the President has no public events scheduled.

On Sunday, the President will deliver remarks at the Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial dedication on the National Mall. The memorial commemorates the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his contributions to world peace through non-violent social change. The First Family, the Vice President, and Dr. Biden will also attend. The President's remarks are open to pre-credentialed media.

Later in the afternoon, the President and the First Lady will host a reception at the White House in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the King Family with members of the civil rights community. This reception is closed press.

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11:30AM Pool Call Time

Sunday, October 16, 2011

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9:30AM Pool Call Time

11:05AM THE PRESIDENT delivers remarks at the Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial dedication; THE FIRST FAMILY, THE VICE PRESIDENT, and DR. BIDEN also attend

National Mall

Open to Pre-Credentialed Media (In-Town Pool Gather Time 9:55AM – North Doors of the Palm Room)

3:00PM THE PRESIDENT and THE FIRST LADY host a reception at the White House in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the King Family

Blue Room

Closed press

Schedule for Week of October 17, 2011

On Monday, the President will travel to Asheville, North Carolina to begin his three-day American Jobs Act bus tour where he will discuss jobs and the economy. On the first day of the tour, the President will deliver remarks at the Asheville Regional Airport and at West Wilkes High School in Millers Creek, North Carolina. The President will overnight in the Greensboro area.

On Tuesday, the President will be in North Carolina and Virginia for the second day of his American Jobs Act bus tour. The President will make stops in Jamestown, North Carolina, Emporia, Virginia, and overnight in Hampton, Virginia.

On Wednesday, the President will be in Virginia for the third day of his American Jobs Act bus tour. On the third day of the tour, the President and the First Lady will hold an event at Langley Air Force Base in Hampton, Virginia where they will discuss the importance of hiring American veterans. The President will visit other Virginia locations before returning to Washington.

On Thursday, the President will welcome to the White House the 13 recipients of the 2011 Presidential Citizens Medal, the nation's second-highest civilian honor. Later, the President will host Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg of Norway for a meeting in the Oval Office. The President met the Prime Minister in December 2009 and welcomes the opportunity to reciprocate the warm hospitality that both he and the First Lady received during that visit. The United States and Norway are not only close NATO allies, but also partners who cooperate in a wide variety of endeavors all around the world. The President looks forward to thanking the Prime Minister personally for Norway's important contribution to the NATO mission in Libya and to consulting with him on issues of common interest, including Afghanistan, Middle East peace, the Arctic, global health, climate change, the famine in Somalia and support for the new democracies in North Africa.

On Friday, the President will attend meetings at the White House.

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Subject Gore Project

Just FYI.

Former Vice President Gore and The Climate Reality Project (formerly the Alliance for Climate Protection) today will announce "a new global campaign to broadcast the reality of the climate crisis and mobilize citizens to help solve it. The campaign kicks off with '24 Hours of Reality,' a worldwide, live-streamed event Sept. 14-15. Scientists, celebrities, business leaders and concerned citizens ... will connect the dots between recent extreme weather events and ... manmade pollution ... From Tonga to Cape Verde and Mexico City to Beijing, the event will be live online over 24 hours, in 24 time zones and in multiple languages. Joining the campaign to bring a fresh perspective to the cause is Alex Bogusky, Adweek's 'Creative Director of the Decade.' Bogusky is an architect of the anti-teen-smoking Truth campaign."

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Subject Interesting Daily Beast Piece

Hi. Interesting piece by Joel Kotkin in the Daily Beast. All that matters anymore is the economy. A challenge for us in so many ways.....

Seth

Obama's Middle-Class Meltdown by

Joel Kotkin

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February 26, 2010 | 9:51pm

"By cozying up to Wall Street and pushing climate change, the president is playing to the coasts—and losing middle America.

Joel Kotkin on the Dems' disconnect—and the GOP's problems exploiting it.

"The rapid decline in public support for Democrats and President Obama represents one of the most breathtaking political collapses in modern times. Little over a year from a huge electoral triumph, President Obama's level of support has dropped from around 65% to under 50%. The Democrats in Congress, who held as much as a 10% edge over the Republicans last spring, actually are losing a "generic" vote.

Many Republicans and conservatives may think this represents a confirmation of their values. Yet in reality, the Democratic meltdown has less to do with belated admiration for the GOP—their support as a party remains at historically low levels—than a question of a massive disconnect between the people in power and the large, middle-class majority. The Great Disconnect reflects a growing chasm between the normative "wisdom" within political parties and their aligned media, academic and policy cadres. The Disconnect in part derives from the tendency of politicians and their associates to converse mostly with each other—and not develop much of a direct feel for that vast, and increasingly complex, country beyond the Beltway.

As President, Barack Obama's Great Disconnect seems most obvious. Although he occasionally uses populist middle-class rhetoric, both Obama's priorities and body language suggest his inspiration comes largely from the rarified world of the universities and Democratic Party contributors.

Not surprising then that he started with a stimulus package that, although one was needed, offered little to private sector Main Street businesses. Instead, the primary beneficiaries turned out to be Wall Street grandees, whose high salaries he variously denounces and excuses, and public employee unions.

Obama's move was encouraged by the aging leadership of the Democratic Party, shaped by places like Nancy Pelosi's San Francisco and Henry Waxman's lushly affluent Beverly Hills. It has little to do with the views of the middle class who reside generally in smaller towns and less-than-tonsy suburbs—but some of the wealthiest, and most privileged, populations on earth.

President Obama's other key constituency lies in the public sector unions, whose power in his home state of Illinois now rivals and perhaps surpasses that of Daley machine. Even as middle-class voters see their pensions dwindle along with their housing prices and jobs, the public sector has waxed into something resembling the Blue Meanie in Yellow Submarine who consumes everything in sight, and ultimately itself.

Perhaps nothing so illustrates the Great Disconnect than the president and the congressional lions embrace of the radical green climate change agenda. Still popular in upper-class urban areas and university towns, this agenda is notably less well-supported in middle and working class communities, particularly in the middle of the country.

Even before the Climategate revelations—which led to one top warmist figure admitting to the BBC that there had been in fact “no statistically significant” warming over the past fifteen years—the agenda was losing support, ranking it dead last among 20 priorities in a Pew survey last year. Now they are becoming openly skeptical, with support for the notion of primarily human-caused warming falling since April from 47 top 35%.

President Obama must realize that prioritization of the climate agenda, along with other coastal liberal priorities, undermines Democratic support in the Great Plains and the Great Lakes, where the party recently has been making some significant gains. The recent withdrawals of Senators Byron Dorgan and Evan Bayh reflect the Democrats' growing vulnerability in these regions. Recent polls in Iowa, where Obama won his signature primary victory in 2008, show the president's popularity at less than 50 percent, in large part to losses among independent voters.

Yet if Americans have been departing the Democrats, does it follow that they will shift en masse to the GOP? There is reason for skepticism here as well. After all, this is the same party that, along with the Democrats, supported massive spending under George Bush and actively promoted the disastrous de-regulation of the financial markets. The prescience of the likes of former Majority Leader Dick Army—a co-conspirator in the Bush era's profligacy—at the forefront of the Tea Parties should worry even the most credulous small-government activist.

The Republican claim to the populist mantle is even more suspect. Republicans like House Minority Leader John Boehner have cozied up to Wall Street, hoping to take advantage of rising “buyer's remorse” among the grandees. Suggesting Republicans could shield the financial sector from even modest Democrat efforts to make them face consequences for their loathsome and disastrous folly, they unintentionally show that their critique of the president's “crony capitalism” largely involves shifting the identity of the cronies.

The Republicans also have a bit of a demographic problem. Their Neanderthal stance on social issues varies radically from the rising millennial generation, and threatens to alienate them permanently. And perhaps even more seriously, the strong nativist wing of the party, epitomized by Tea Party keynoter former Representative Tom Tancredo, represent a threat to the other large emerging voting block, immigrants and their offspring.

If you want to see an illustration of what this means, just examine the plummeting GOP registration levels in increasingly multi-racial California. For the first time in modern history, according to veteran political observer Allan Hoffenblum, there is not a single congressional, state Senate or Assembly district in the state with a majority Republican registration.

Although the Republicans are riding high now, do not overestimate their ability to seize the field now so ineptly being vacated by the Democrats. It may well turn out that President Obama still may overcome the Great Disconnect before the GOP does. Obama's ability to change direction already can be seen in such things as his new-found enthusiasm for nuclear power and more drilling on public lands. His most recent jobs bill also has more of a focus on promoting private employment growth than past efforts.

Ultimately, the party that wins in 2010 and beyond will be the one that addresses the real issues of this age—the battle for private sector jobs and upward mobility—that matter to the vast majority of Americans. It

is on those issues, not global warming, ethnic purity or gay marriage that the political future will now turn.

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BULLETIN -- President Obama today will propose an alternative to the line-item veto, sending Congress the Reduce Unnecessary Spending Act of 2010. Under this new expedited procedure, the president would submit a package of rescissions shortly after a spending bill is passed. Congress would be required to consider these recommendations as a package, without amendment, and with a guaranteed up-or-down vote within a specified timeframe. The White House bills this as part of a larger effort the president has undertaken to rein in wasteful spending.

--Look for a mid-morning conference call by the OMB high command of Peter Orszag and Acting Deputy Director Jeff Liebman. On Wednesday, Liebman, in his Obama administration Capitol Hill debut, will make the case to Senator Feingold's Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution. This expedited rescission authority would replace Part C of the Impoundment Control Act of 1974 -- the line-item veto provisions struck down by the Supreme Court in 1998.

EXCLUSIVE -- The administration will get visibly tougher on BP this week. A senior EPA official tells the debut edition of POLITICO's "Morning Energy": "EPA was not satisfied with the response it received from BP and has demanded several meetings with the company since then, including one. where their scientists were instructed to brief EPA and other scientists from the federal government about some of what was included in their letter. It appears BP may be more interested in defending their initial decisions regarding dispersant use than in doing an honest assessment about the options available at this point."

<http://www.politico.com/morningenergy/>

OIL SPILL 101 for the White House press corps, as incident commander Thad Allen joins Robert Gibbs for today's briefing to walk reporters through what has been done, and why the federal government can't just "take over." **Look for Allen to do some ed. boards and meet with pundits:** The White House is frustrated at comments by talking heads suggesting the administration has stumbled.

KATIE COURIC and DIANE SAWYER do their shows from the Louisiana coast tonight. Katie, who'll be in Grand Isle, took a chopper tour with Rear Adm. Mary Landry, the on-scene response coordinator, and flew over the rig storing oil being sucked up with the straw technique. Also went out on a boat with an SMU oceanographer. **Brian Williams doesn't have travel plans,** but has been to the region 15 times since Katrina.

SENATE will appoint conferees on Wall Street reform today, putting bill on track to go to the president by July 4, with a signing ceremony when lawmakers return after that.

ADDED TO NYT A1 BETWEEN EDITIONS: "Tensions escalated sharply Monday on the Korean peninsula, as South Korean President Lee Myung-bak said that his nation would sever nearly all trade with North Korea ... and ask the United Nations Security Council to punish the North for what he called the deliberate sinking of a South Korean warship two months ago."

--White House statement at 1 a.m. -- "Statement by the Press Secretary on the Republic of Korea: President Obama fully supports President Lee in his handling of the ROKS Cheonan incident and the objective investigation that followed. ... Specifically, we endorse President Lee's demand that North Korea immediately apologize."

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Good Monday morning. SPOTTED: Country-music lover Nick Shapiro, lifting weights backstage with Brad Paisley before Saturday's show at Jiffy Lube Live (née, Nissan Pavilion). *Paisley's roadies take the weights to every show .*

"THE GATES-CLINTON AXIS," by Ben Smith and Jen DiMascio and Laura Rozen: "Their close relationship has been central to the unusual degree of agreement on critical issues, most notably the Afghan surge but also a range of other initiatives, from increasing the size of the State Department's foreign aid budget to imposing new sanctions on Iran. ... Gates, known inside the White House as 'Yoda,' is unquestionably the most powerful member of the Obama Cabinet — the only one with the muscle to push back. Clinton, meanwhile, is the most popular, her approval ratings cruising well above Obama's own. ... Clinton, with her hawkish image and ties to Gates and to military brass, would be his most logical successor — and some of her most senior allies have begun quietly to float the notion." <http://bit.ly/9fqLtU>

GAME CHANGE? DEMS SAY THEY'RE BACK ON OFFENSE -- A Democratic official close to the White House: "We're on offense now. Republicans are questioning their loss in PA-12, they are questioning their leadership in Washington, they are questioning their candidate in Kentucky, and they are questioning their strategy of all-or-nothing opposition after failing to stop or even weaken Wall Street reform in the Senate. **The worm is turning. ... We're on offense across mediums -- on Kagan, on Wall Street reform, on Citizens United** [the campaign-finance Supreme Court opinion] -- and Republicans are going to be forced to explain how they handed us a country in peril. We've pulled it back from the brink and they didn't lift a finger to help."

--A Democratic official: "We can't stop from losing some seats. But we know now that we can

make this a choice, and that we can hold down our losses. And, as PA-12 showed, Republicans can't just run against Obama, Pelosi and health care - even in districts like PA-12, won by McCain and where Republicans expect to win. The problem for Republicans is that the only thing they have is opposition to Democrats and Obama, because everything they were for over the past decade -- tax breaks for the wealthy and big oil, trickle-down economics, 'free market' solutions to health care and energy, privatizing Social Security, deregulating Wall Street -- was all a failure that drove our country to the brink of disaster. Republicans can't win on what they believe, so they'll run against us. We aren't going to let them get away with it."

--GOP pushback: "Look at the results more closely: They lost a seat in Hawaii (note: Hawaii has never thrown out an incumbent member of Congress), they retained a 2-1 House seat only by stacking the deck with it being the same day as the primary and having a candidate run as an anti-Obama Dem. And how did the primaries turn out? All three were close. Conway's margin [Ky. Dem. Senate nominee] was razor thin. Blanche Lincoln is in a runoff. And Pennsylvania Democrats repudiated the President, nominating a candidate who has repeatedly said he was offered a job to stay out of the race."

THIS WEEK'S MOVES:

--Senate has a supplemental spending bill on the floor this week. Jim Manley, Spokesman/Senior Communications Advisor, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid: "Last week, virtually the entire Republican Party voted to stand up for Wall Street -- just like they've stood up for health insurance companies, tobacco companies and credit card companies. This week, we'll see whether Republicans will join with Democrats in standing up for our troops, instead of just standing up for special interests all the time."

--Republicans tells us they'll keep hammering the White House (and pushing reporters to do the same) on claims by Rep. Joe Sestak, Pa. Dem. Senate nominee, that he was offered administration job (Secretary of Navy?) not to primary Specter. On "Meet" yesterday, he repeated the claim, but wouldn't say which job.

EXCLUSIVE -- House Republicans have an Xbox-like component to the interactive "America Speaking Out" campaign, launching tomorrow to gather input for a "Contract with America"-style agenda for the fall. In addition to the expected Facebook and Twitter elements, GOPers added a competition aspect to make it fun. Plus you can order stuff.

KAGAN FIGHT SHAPING UP AS SNOOZE: White House notes Sen. Cornyn, one of the more partisan Judiciary Committee Republicans, wasn't asked about her on "Meet" yesterday. In a Friday letter, Clinton library says it'll be providing the Judiciary Committee with the requested by June 4, and "on a rolling basis thereafter." Hearing begins June 28. *See the letter* <http://politi.co/akZIIK>

--N.Y. Daily News' James Gordon Meek staked out Cornyn, who "said he was baffled by Kagan's views on the Citizens United ruling." <http://bit.ly/dqNk5O> *Looking at polls and focus groups, White House LOVES that as a chief attack point.*

BIRTHDAY: Randall Baker Whitestone is 4-9 (hat tip: Keil).

POLITICO in print p.1 <http://politi.co/9gdLMA> **USA Today p. 1** <http://politi.co/b1206W>
Times of London p. 1 <http://politi.co/cpduun>

WHAT WE'RE READING: "WAR," by Sebastian Junger, which describes the U.S. fight in Afghanistan in hauntingly raw terms. *Divided into three "books":*

--" BOOK ONE: FEAR": "The Korengal valley is sort of the Afghanistan of Afghanistan: too

remote to conquer, too poor to intimidate, too autonomous to buy off. ... A few [soldiers] had 'INFIDEL' tattooed in huge letters across their chests. ('That what the enemy calls us on their radios,' one man explained, 'so why not?') ... **Pretty much everyone who died in this valley died when they least expected it, usually shot in the head or throat, so it could make the men weird about the most mundane tasks.** ... Medics are renowned for their bravery, but the ones I knew described it more as **a terror of failing to save the lives of their friends.** ... I wore a body armor vest like the soldiers did ... and a helmet, which they called a 'Kevlar.' Together those weighed around thirty pounds. I had a five-pound video camera, five pounds of water in a CamelBak, and maybe another twenty pounds of food and clothing if we were going out overnight. I could walk all day with fifty or sixty pounds on my back but I couldn't run more than a hundred yards at a time – no one could – and few people could run uphill more than a few steps. ... Patrols on hot days came down to water versus distance: you didn't want to go dry, but neither did you want to carry ten extra pounds if you were going to have to run anywhere. ... **Giving in to fear or exhaustion were ways in which a soldier could fail his platoon."**

--**"BOOK TWO: KILLING"**: "Combat is a series of quick decisions and rather precise actions ... much more like football than, say, like a gang fight. The unit that choreographs their actions best usually wins ... **The choreography always requires that each man make decisions based not on what's best for *him* , but on what's best for the group. If everyone does that, most of the group survives. If no one does, most of the group dies.** That, in essence, is combat."

--**"BOOK THREE: LOVE"**: "Combat fog obscures your fate – obscures when and where you might die – and from that unknown is born a desperate bond between the men ... **[N]o one can figure out whether the Americans are actually winning or if the enemy just decided not to fight for a while.** ... Sergeant Ryan Pitts, the platoon forward observer, was pinned down and badly wounded ... **He'd gotten a tourniquet onto his shattered leg and started throwing hand grenades over the top of the sandbags.** Between explosions he got through to the command post by radio and told them that they were getting overrun." *\$14.84 on Amazon*
<http://amzn.to/9GEIMo>

CHUCK TODD ON "STYLE" SECTION COVER -- Howard Kurtz: "Covering the White House these days is no longer a matter of hanging around the briefing room ... It is an all-consuming assignment in which reporters are expected to be multimedia performers ... Todd, 38, is NBC's chief White House correspondent, the network's political director, an MSNBC anchor, a blogger on its 'First Read' tip sheet and a prolific voice on Twitter. He and [Savannah] Guthrie, also 38, share the beat [and co-anchor MSNBC's 9 a.m. "The Daily Rundown"]. ... 'Chuckie T,' as he's sometimes called, is an unabashed political junkie from Miami who fed his habit during 15 years at the news digest Hotline. ... Todd, who left George Washington University six credits short of graduation, was hired by the late Tim Russert three years ago. He was brought in as a backstage numbers-cruncher who would get an on-air tryout. He proved to be a natural ... With his goatee, infectious grin and steady stream of pop-culture references, Todd doesn't look or sound like a classic television correspondent ... 'We're trying to bring news back to cable,' Guthrie says. She shoots a glance at a publicist: 'Am I allowed to say that?'"
Article <http://bit.ly/cSkuPw> *See the Style cover* <http://bit.ly/7vwqmw>

FEWER PRESS CHARTERS FOR PRESIDENTIAL TRIPS -- NYT Business front,

“When the President Travels, It’s Cheaper for Reporters to Stay Home,” by Brian Stelter: “[T]he press flights [for reporters not on Air Force One, where press seats are filled by rotation] have been sharply curtailed in recent months ... ‘The sole reason is money,’ said Edwin Chen, the senior White House correspondent for Bloomberg News and the president of the White House Correspondents’ Association, who called the cutbacks alarming. ... When Mr. Obama visits San Francisco on Tuesday and Wednesday, for fund-raisers and a tour of a solar panel company, there will be no charter. ... Presidential trips cost the press about \$18 million last year ... When the networks choose not to travel in a pack, reporters of all stripes have to ... buy tickets on commercial flights and hope they make it to the presidential event in time. ... Domestically, some 30 to 40 people fly on the charters when they are still ordered. ... [P]enny-pinching put 11 members of the press corps on a bus to a commencement speech delivered by Mr. Obama in southern Virginia early this month. When the networks vetoed a charter plane for the trip, ‘I suggested it out of sheer frustration and sarcasm,’ Mr. Chen ... ‘The networks said, “Hey, not a bad idea.”’” <http://nyti.ms/dq29by>

2010 -- BLUMENTHAL INTERNAL has him +15 over Linda McMahon, World Wrestling exec endorsed by state GOP. Dem memo: “Blumenthal has withstood the attacks of the past week very well.” *Dems’ “Interested Parties” memo (doesn’t mention Rob Simmons, who says he’s still in the GOP’s Aug. 10 primary)* <http://politi.co/cR0GeS>

--NYT A1, “Republicans See Big Chance, But Worry About Wasting It,” by Jeff Zeleny and Carl Hulse: “Republicans remain confident of making big gains in the fall elections, but as the midterm campaign begins in earnest, they face a series of challenges that could keep the party from fully capitalizing on an electorate clamoring for change in Washington. ... Republicans are working to find a balance between simply running against Democrats and promoting a specific alternative agenda. And they are struggling with how to integrate the passions of the Tea Party movement ... into the Republican Party apparatus.” <http://nyti.ms/a2VFg1>

SPOTTED, in National Airport: Charlie Nichols, wearing a CBS News cap, a gift from “Auntie” Sonya McNair.

WEDDINGS:

--Katie Levinson married top fund manager David Burke at the Harvard Club in New York City. In attendance were friends and family, including politicians (none of whom actually went to Harvard, as far as we can tell) Steve Schmidt, Matt McDonald, Joe Scarborough, Larry Kudlow, Taylor Griffin, Todd Harris, Adam Levine, Ed Skyler, Jennifer Yuille, Tim Burger, Nina Bradley Clarke, Melinda Arons, Matt David and **Rich Lowry, last seen dancing to Lady Gaga.** Did we mention the dress code of black tie and boots? That's right. *Times announcement, w/photo* <http://nyti.ms/aNHfPa>

--Ken Vogel back from his one-day honeymoon -- The Times: “Danielle Brody Rosengarten and Kenneth Paul Vogel were married ... on the rooftop of 101 Constitution Avenue ... Rabbi Jack Moline officiated. The bride, 31, is a counsel and legislative assistant in Washington for Sen. Joseph I. Lieberman, independent of Connecticut; she advises him on climate change

legislation. ... The bridegroom, 34, is a **senior staff writer ... for Politico** ... The couple met in May 2006, when Ms. Rosengarten began a summer law clerkship ... with the House ... Committee on Homeland Security. Mr. Vogel was finishing a 10-month journalism fellowship ... during which he, too, worked for the committee ... They sat in adjoining cubicles in the Ford House Office Building. During her first week, they bonded over lunch in the cafeteria when they discovered a shared love of Ethiopian food and kosher pastrami, and a fascination with federal campaign finance rules. ... **‘He has shockingly blue eyes and the most adorable dimples I have ever seen. He loves campaign finance reform, that was all I needed to know.** We knew instantly that we were intellectually attracted to each other.’ ... [T]hey admittedly annoyed committee staff members who sat nearby with their steady stream of banter over their shared cubicle wall.” <http://nyti.ms/bPrSv0>

POOL REPORT -- HOWARD DEAN’S DNC ALUMNI PARTY -- A 50-state (alumni) party: About 50 of us packed the Takoma Park home of former Democratic official (and current executive director of National Employment Law Project) Chris Owens and Sandy Newman. Spotted alongside Gov. Dean, who rocked a casual Hawaiian shirt, were former Chief of Staff Leah Daughtry, former executive director Tom McMahan, soon-to-be Chrysler VP of external affairs Jody Trapasso, former spokesmen Damien LaVera and Luis Miranda, web gurus Josh McConaha and Kombiz Lavasany, uber-lawyer Joe Sandler, voting rights protector Anna Martinez, a host of finance and political alumni, and dozens of spouses. Also spotted running around the Indian food buffet: a veritable day care of young children.

POPPING ON THE BLOGS -- “The Teachers’ Unions’ Last Stand,” by Steven Brill, on the Obama administration’s “Race to the Top” competitive education grants: “By late March, ... [t]housands of local news stories across the country speculated about how particular states were faring, some of them breathlessly referring to the ‘March Madness’ as governors, state legislators and bureaucrats rushed to consider reforms that might improve their chances. ... Fifteen [states], including such union strongholds as California, Ohio and Michigan, passed laws or revised regulations aimed at boosting their chances. **Before [Arne] Duncan had dispensed a nickel, the country had seen more school reform than it had in decades.**” <http://nyti.ms/9e0wXk>

--Cover image, “How Obama’s Race To The Top Could Revolutionize Public Education” <http://politi.co/daawwB>

--On her education blog, WashPost’s Valerie Strauss takes issues with the article’s contention that a charter school gets better results, for less money, than an adjoining public school that’s separated a fire door: “The student bodies aren’t the same. ... At the Harlem Success Academy, 49% of the students are poor--a difference of 32 percentage points. Only 2% of the students are English Language Learners (compared to 13% at P.S. 149 --more than six times as many).” <http://bit.ly/9YNug4>

--The American Federation of Teachers (AFL-CIO) reacts: “This outdated perspective labels all public school teachers as bad and caricatures contract negotiations ... Randi Weingarten has negotiated many more labor contracts than Brill. While labor and management in our schools rarely agree on everything, more often than not we share the same end goal of providing children

with a great education.”

--**AFT** flags Valerie’s post, claiming “shortcomings” in Brill. <http://politi.co/9f5iQF>

SPORTS BLINK -- Playbook Playoff Tracker, by Tim Alberta -- NBA: Phoenix beat Los Angeles, 118-109, and now trail the series 2-1.

--**NHL: Chicago** disposed of San Jose, 4-2, sweeping the series and advancing to the Stanley Cup Finals for the first time since 1992.

--**NATS WIN BELTWAY BATTLE – WaPo’s Thomas Boswell:** “Liquor may loosen lips, but in baseball, nothing does the trick quite like a win as exciting as the Nats' 4-3 triumph over the Orioles on Sunday. Josh Willingham's 10th-inning smash into the visitor's bullpen moved Washington back above .500 at 23-22. And start the dreaming.” <http://bit.ly/aJzXOM>

DESSERT -- AFP: “**The Rolling Stones scored their first British number one album in 16 years** Sunday after re-releasing one of their classic records, ‘**Exile on Main Street.**’ The aging rockers held off dance band Faithless to grab the top spot in the album chart, the first such achievement for the band since 1994's ‘**Voodoo Lounge.**’ ‘Exile on Main Street,’ which features tracks such as ‘**Tumbling Dice**’ and ‘**Rocks Off,**’ made it to number one when initially released in May, 1972 and contains eclectic influences from blues and soul to calypso. A documentary about the making of album was given its world premiere at the Cannes film festival during the week.”

SPOILER ALERT -- THE LAST “LOST” -- AP: “The series ended where it began six seasons ago after the plane crash: with a close-up of Jack's eye opening as he lay on the ground. But this time, his eye was open and it shut.”

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THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Vice President

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
December 14, 2009

TODAY: Jared Bernstein and Carol Browner to Hold Conference Call on Vice President Biden's Memo to the President on Clean Energy Progress
Call is Embargoed for 12:00 AM EST

WASHINGTON – **TODAY** at 3:45pm ET, Chief Economic Adviser to the Vice President Jared Bernstein and Director of the White House Office of Energy and Climate Change Policy Carol Browner will hold a conference call with reporters to discuss the Vice President's memo to the President on Administration progress building a clean energy economy through the Recovery Act and other initiatives. The memo was produced at the request of the Vice President by the White House Office of Energy and Climate Change, the Office of the Vice President, the Council of Economic Advisors and the Department of Energy.

WHO: Jared Bernstein, Chief Economic Adviser to the Vice President
Carol Browner, Director of the White House Office of Energy and Climate Change Policy

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Harsh Words for E.P.A. From Most G.O.P. Candidates

By **JOHN M. BRODER**

WASHINGTON — The [Environmental Protection Agency](#) is emerging as a favorite target of the Republican presidential candidates, who portray it as the very symbol of a heavy-handed regulatory agenda imposed by the Obama administration that they say is strangling the economy.

Representative [Michele Bachmann](#) of Minnesota wants to padlock the E.P.A.'s doors, as does former Speaker Newt Gingrich. Gov. [Rick Perry](#) of Texas wants to impose an immediate moratorium on environmental regulation.

Representative [Ron Paul](#) of Texas wants environmental disputes settled by the states or the courts. Herman Cain, a businessman, wants to put many environmental regulations in

the hands of an independent commission that includes [oil](#) and gas executives. Jon M. Huntsman Jr., the former Utah governor, thinks most new environmental regulations should be shelved until the economy improves.

Only [Mitt Romney](#), the former Massachusetts governor, has a kind word for the E.P.A., and that is qualified by his opposition to proposed regulation of carbon dioxide and other gases that contribute to [global warming](#).

Opposition to regulation and skepticism about climate change have become tenets of Republican orthodoxy, but they are embraced with extraordinary intensity this year because of the faltering economy, high fuel prices, the [Tea Party](#) passion for smaller government and an activist Republican base that insists on strict adherence to the party's central agenda.

But while attacks on the E.P.A., climate-change science and environmental regulation more broadly are surefire applause lines with many Republican primary audiences, these views may prove a liability in the general election, pollsters and analysts say. The American people, by substantial majorities, are concerned about air and water pollution, and largely trust the E.P.A., national surveys say.

"Not only are these positions irresponsible, they're politically problematic," said David Jenkins of [Republicans for Environmental Protection](#), a group that believes that conservation should be a core value of the party. "The whole idea that you have to bash the E.P.A. and run away from climate change to win a Republican primary has never been borne out. Where's the evidence?"

But the leading Republican candidates are all linking environmental regulation to jobs and the economy, suggesting that the nation cannot afford measures that impose greater costs on businesses and consumers. Mrs. Bachmann drew loud applause 10 days ago at a [rally in Iowa](#) when she declared: "I guarantee you the E.P.A. will have doors locked and lights turned off, and they will only be about conservation. It will be a new day and a new sheriff in Washington, D.C."

In an earlier debate she said the agency should be renamed the "job-killing organization of America." She has called global-warming science a hoax.

The White House disputes the accusation that it is burdening the economy with regulations. It says that it issued fewer new rules in its first two years than the George W. Bush administration issued in its final two years.

"This administration has shown a clear commitment to taking steps to protect our families from dangerous pollution, while at the same time ensuring those steps are implemented in a way that minimizes costs, maximizes flexibility and does not impede our economic recovery," said Clark Stevens, a White House spokesman.

Mr. Perry has been at war with the E.P.A. almost since the day he took office as governor. He is leading a group of states in a [lawsuit](#) seeking to block the agency from putting in place rules limiting greenhouse gas emissions from power plants, refineries and other large sources.

On Monday, Mr. Perry called on Mr. Obama to [halt all regulations](#) because, Mr. Perry said, "his E.P.A. regulations are killing jobs all across America."

In his book, "[Fed Up, Our Fight to Save America from Washington](#)," Mr. Perry described global-warming science as "one contrived phony mess that is falling apart under its own weight" and a "secular carbon cult" led by false prophets like Al Gore.

Such regulatory and financial sentiments are shared by many Republicans in Congress and are encouraged by industries that are reliable financial supporters of Republican candidates — the petroleum industry, utilities, [coal](#) companies, heavy manufacturers and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Republican presidential candidates cross these interests at their peril.

"It remains to be seen of course, but my guess is that in order to get the nomination you're going to have to be pretty solid on these issues," said Myron Ebell, of the [Competitive Enterprise Institute](#), a libertarian research and advocacy organization in Washington. "It's going to be a litmus test or shorthand way for voters to see how the candidate thinks about not only big issues like global warming and energy rationing policies, but it's indicative of other things as well."

Mr. Ebell said that Mr. Romney, Mr. Gingrich and Mr. Huntsman, who have all said that global warming is real and at least tentatively attributed it to human actions, would suffer for it in the Republican primaries.

Mr. Perry's anti-E.P.A. stance has been popular with Republicans in Texas and could carry him far in the primaries, said Ken Kramer, director of the [Texas chapter of the Sierra Club](#). It may prove a liability in a general election, Mr. Kramer said.

"That kind of rhetoric is popular with a certain segment here," he said. "But a lot of other Texans, especially those in major cities with air pollution problems, are not necessarily supportive of the governor's war on the E.P.A."

He added, "My sense is there's definitely a difference between what plays well in Texas from a political standpoint and what plays well in other parts of country."

Mr. Paul holds rather more complex views of the environment and regulation. He generally favors a hands-off approach to federal regulation, although he has backed some tax incentives for clean energy development.

He opposes tax breaks for oil and gas companies but supports Arctic drilling. He is skeptical about climate change but said in 2008 that there were [unexplained anomalies](#) in global temperatures.

Mr. Romney's position may be the most complicated of all. In Massachusetts, he proposed plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and was a sponsor of a regional [carbon cap-and-trade](#) program. He has mostly backed away from those positions, but he says there is still an important place for regulation.

"I believe we should keep our air and our water clean," Mr. Romney said at [a town hall-style meeting](#) in New Hampshire last month.

"Do I support the E.P.A.?" he said. "In much of its mission, yes; but in some of its mission, no."

Despite a Supreme Court ruling to the contrary, Mr. Romney said the federal law did not give the agency authority to regulate carbon emissions. "I don't think that was the intent of the original legislation," he said, "and I don't think carbon is a pollutant in the sense of harming our bodies."

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To "Lisa Jackson"

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Subject Fw: WSJ - EPA Tangles With Texas in Battle Over Air Quality

You've probably seen this already but wanted to be sure. It's a very balanced piece, but I think is quite nice for EPA. It's also worth noting it's the first national story on the Texas SIP issue -- which is a bit surprising. -- but probably means this starts to get more attention. I think we're ready for it.

David Gray

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EPA Tangles With Texas in Battle Over Air Quality

Agency Takes Activist Stance on Pollution, Calling Local Rules Lax; State Officials Complain

By [ANA CAMPOY](#)

A more assertive Environmental Protection Agency is demanding tighter pollution rules, drawing the ire of companies and some of the state's officials. At the heart of the dispute is an EPA threat to void some of the state's air quality regulations, which it says break federal law. The agency also is targeting oil refineries -- of which Texas has many -- emit dangerous amounts of pollutants.

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Alfredo Armendariz, left, recently hired by the Environmental Protection Agency, has been criticized by the energy industry over his past research on emissions from the cement and natural-

Texas is the top carbon-dioxide-emitting state in the nation. State officials have built a system that simplifies the permitting process, for example, by allowing emissions from entire facilities, rather than smokestack by smokestack. Environmental activists and city officials call the system too lax. But the state has produced a cleaner environment, including a 22% drop between 2005 and 2010 in the level of ozone, which is blamed for respiratory problems. The state also encourages industry to adopt greener technology.

"Our results speak louder than bureaucratic meddling," said Katherine O'Connell, spokeswoman for Gov. Rick Perry, a Republican.

The EPA has emerged as one of the most aggressive regulatory agencies in the administration. It has moved to regulate carbon-dioxide emissions from power plants, tougher limits on mercury emissions from coal- or oil-burning power plants, dozens of permit applications for coal-mining projects in Central Appalachia, and concerns about water quality.

EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson has said the agency's moves will be justified by improving public health and has pointed to the administration's success in saving billions of dollars in government spending to subsidize electric vehicles and renewable energy grid.

But business groups, including the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers, say the agency also is saddling companies with costly regulations that drive jobs outside the U.S.

The EPA this month appointed Alfredo Armendariz to head the office in Texas and four other states. While all states must follow the same federal

to develop their own implementation strategies, which are subject to EPA review. Mr. Armendariz had previously called the state's regulations inadequate. Air-quality fights are especially heated in Texas. Officials in the big city of Dallas are particularly vocal. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, which enforces federal air-quality rules, is not strict enough. Dallas and Houston have been in violation of federal air-quality rules for years.

"The whole thing is wrong from start to finish," said state Rep. Lon Burnet, who represents Fort Worth and serves on the environmental regulation committee of the Texas House of Representatives. "They permit almost anything." Houston has been petitioning the federal government to toughen air-quality rules. In response, the EPA said last month it was withdrawing a rule at the end of the Bush administration that found the emissions posed no health risk. Environmentalists welcome the changes in EPA policies. "I've been waiting for this to happen," said Neil Carman, an air-quality specialist at the Southern Environmental Law Center. But companies are unhappy. [Texas Industries Inc.](#), a cement maker, is changing EPA rules when it withdrew its request for a state permit to build new kilns, which it says would have reduced emissions.

Texas Industries is committed to clean air, said spokesman David Smith. Problems happen when the requirements go beyond that and get to a point where they create problems for companies that ultimately don't result in any net benefit. But others disagree with the company's assessment, said EPA spokesman. "There is no room for neighbors and community members to give feedback on the rules." The Texas air permitting process needs to be transparent to the public. The energy industry hasn't spoken publicly on the appointment of Mr. Armendariz, an environmental engineer and an associate professor at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. He is the author of several scathing studies and memos on air-quality rules for cement and natural-gas industries, and has been a consultant to environmental groups fighting the companies.

He declined to comment on EPA policy issues until he completed his current job.

The Barnett Shale Energy Education Council, a group representing environmentalists, attacked Mr. Armendariz's past reports. Recently, executives at natural-gas company [Chesapeake Energy Corp.](#) criticized Mr. Armendariz for producing

misleading research.

Mr. Armendariz has said his work is based on government-issued data that are consistent with those of regional regulators.

Earlier this year, the EPA said it was seeking to invalidate the state rule, contending that it allows companies to skirt federal rules under the Clean Air Act. The agency is expected to announce a decision on certain parts of the rule by the end of this month.

"Our system is not broken," said Bryan Shaw, chairman of the Texas Air Quality Commission. "It's just misunderstood."

—Stephen Power and Ben Casselman contributed to this article.

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EPA Issues Greenhouse Gas Warning Despite Concerns Over Leaked E-Mails

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The administration also waved off concerns about the controversy surrounding leaked e-mails at a British climate research center, with the U.S. envoy to the international climate change conference in Copenhagen dismissing the flap as a "small blip."

EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson said in a written statement that the finding, which declares carbon dioxide and five other greenhouse gases a threat to public health, marks the start of a U.S. campaign to tackle greenhouse gas emissions.

"These long-overdue findings cement 2009's place in history as the year when the United States Government began addressing the challenge of greenhouse-gas pollution and seizing the opportunity of clean-energy reform," she said.

The meticulously timed announcement comes on the opening day of the Denmark conference, and could boost the administration's argument that the United States is taking action to combat global warming -- though Congress has yet to pass climate legislation.

But Republicans since last week had called on Jackson to withdraw the finding pending an investigation into whether the science behind the decision has been compromised. They raised their concerns following the leak of e-mails from the

University of East Anglia's Climatic Research Unit which appeared to show scientists discussing the manipulation of climate data.

Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif., ranking Republican on the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, told FoxNews.com the EPA is rushing to a decision that may not be based on sound science.

"It's certainly reckless considering the underlying science now has been very much called into question," Issa said Monday. "The inconvenient truth is not Al Gore's movie. The inconvenient truth is that people who had an agenda destroyed the facts to get an outcome."

Issa said he's not a global warming skeptic, but thinks the underlying research needs to be more closely examined to make sure billions of dollars are not wasted in the course of complying with new regulations.

While administration officials have said they would prefer Congress take action on regulating greenhouse gas emissions, Republicans fear the EPA is prepared to act unilaterally to do so, buoyed by its latest finding. And they question the timing of the announcement.

"They are finalizing the finding just in time for President Obama to travel to Copenhagen. The EPA claims its process is dictated by science, however, it's conveniently timed to push its politics," Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., ranking Republican on the House Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, said in a written statement.

The EPA signaled last April that it was inclined to view heat-trapping pollution as a threat to public health and welfare and began to take public comments under a formal rulemaking. The action marked a reversal from the Bush administration, which had declined to aggressively pursue the issue.

Business groups have strongly argued against tackling global warming through the regulatory process of the Clean Air Act. Any such regulations are likely to spawn lawsuits and lengthy legal fights.

Democrats, though, claimed that the announcement Monday only strengthens the argument for government action.

"It is now clear that if we take our responsibility seriously to protect and defend our people from this threat, the Senate has a duty to act on climate change legislation," Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., said in a statement. "In light of the EPA endangerment finding, the president's appearance in Copenhagen will carry even more weight, because it shows that America is taking this issue very seriously and is moving forward."

Jonathan Pershing, U.S. deputy special envoy for climate change, said in Copenhagen that the United States is not expecting any legally binding treaty in Denmark this month, but will pursue a "political arrangement" that could lead to one in the future.

He dismissed the controversy over the leaked e-mails.

"I think it will have virtually no effect at all," he said. "The science is incredibly robust. And as we look forward, I worry much, much more about not acting urgently than what will ultimately be a small blip on the history of this process."

Asked about the remark, Issa said: "Richard Nixon said that about what Deep Throat had outed about the break-in."

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Subject AP: UN climate chief: hacked e-mails are damaging

UN climate chief: hacked e-mails are damaging

By ARTHUR MAX and KARL RITTER, Associated Press Writers Arthur Max And Karl Ritter, Associated Press Writers 15 mins ago

COPENHAGEN - The U.N.'s top climate official on Sunday conceded that hacked e-mails from climate scientists had damaged the image of global warming research but said evidence of a warming Earth is solid.

In an interview with The Associated Press ahead of the U.N. climate summit starting Monday, Yvo de Boer said the e-mails pilfered from a British university fueled skepticism among those who believe the science is manipulated to exaggerate global warming.

I think a lot of people are skeptical about this issue in any case," de Boer said. "And then when they have the feeling that scientists are manipulating information in a certain direction then of course it causes concern in a number of people to say 'you see I told you so, this is not a real issue.'"

E-mails stolen from the climate unit at the University of East Anglia appeared to show some of world's leading scientists discussing ways to shield data from public scrutiny and suppress others' work. Those who deny the influence of man-made climate change have seized on the correspondence to argue that scientists have been conspiring to hide evidence about global warming.

"This correspondence looks very bad," de Boer said. "But I think both the university is looking into this (and) I believe there is a police investigation going on whether the e-mails were leaked or stolen."

De Boer noted that the head of the U.N.'s expert panel on climate change, Rajendra Pachauri, had also announced that he would investigate the matter.

De Boer defended the rigorous review process by some 2,500 scientists of climate change research as solid and thorough. "I think this is about the most credible piece of science that there is out there," he said.

Climate negotiators and world leaders from 192 nations are meeting in Copenhagen in the next two weeks, seeking to agree on an all-encompassing package to combat global warming and help its victims. A key issue is cutting the greenhouse emissions that scientists say are to blame for the warming in average global temperatures observed in recent decades. U.S. climate negotiator Jonathan Pershing called the science on global warming "very robust, very substantial." He told the AP that the controversy surrounding the leaked e-mails came at an "unfortunate" time, just before the long-awaited U.N. talks, "but has no fundamental bearing on the outcome."

"Many of us have been exposed to those kind of events" where e-mails have been unintentionally published, he said. "All of us are adults. all of us are aware that there are consequences to writing e-mails, that the Internet is a very fluid place."

Climate skeptics meeting in downtown Copenhagen for a panel discussion organized by a Danish nationalist party said the leaked e-mails highlighted the limitations of global warming research.

"There has been a lot of this kind of activity going on, there has been suppression of view points," said Roger Pielke, Jr., a professor of environmental studies at the University of Colorado. Negotiators in

Copenhagen are trying to set targets for controlling emissions of carbon dioxide and other global-warming gases, including by the leading contributors, China and the United States. They will also seek agreement on how much rich countries should pay to help poor nations to deal with climate change. "Those are the two key issues," de Boer said. "And if those can be unlocked I think the rest will come together as well."

De Boer said he didn't think the conference would fail because key nations have already made pledges on emissions and financial assistance – even though they are still short of what experts say is needed."

It's going to be two weeks of thorough negotiation to try and get the ambition level up and to get the financial specifics on the table," de Boer said.

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Subject A selection of Quotes from Both Sides of the Endangerment Issue

Emily Figdor, director for Environment America's federal global-warming program. "This is the most significant step the federal government has taken on global warming. The stage is now set for [the] EPA to hold the biggest global-warming polluters accountable."

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R., Ky.)

"With double-digit unemployment and over 3.5 million jobs already lost this year, the administration inexplicably continues to push for a job-killing national energy tax—either through legislation or regulation."

Dan Riedinger, a spokesman for the utility industry group Edison Electric Institute, pointed to cost predictions for federal legislation as a guide to the cost. Estimates for legislation vary between \$100 a year to \$1,000 a year extra for families, and such legislation is specially designed to moderate costs. "The only certainty is that EPA regulation would be far more expensive than congressional-designed legislation."

Jeff Holmstead, a former EPA air administrator under the George W. Bush administration and now head of the Bracewell & Giuliani Environmental Strategies Group -- this is the first time the agency has ever made a standalone endangerment finding. He thinks it was a political decision. "It's clearly designed to set the stage for the Copenhagen conference,"

Kevin Book, managing director at ClearView Energy Partners -- "The administration appears to be playing for keeps here,"

U.S. Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Thomas J. Donohue -- "An endangerment finding from the EPA could result in a top-down command-and-control regime that will choke off growth by adding new mandates to virtually every major construction and renovation project. The devil will be in the details, and we look forward to working with the government to ensure we don't stifle our economic recovery."

American Petroleum Institute President Jack Gerard -- "This action poses a threat to every American family and business if it leads to regulation of greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act. Such regulation would be intrusive, inefficient, and excessively costly. It could chill job growth and delay business expansion."

House Minority Leader Rep. John Boehner -- said EPA's announcement is a misguided preamble to what he believes is ahead --:"Today's EPA announcement paves the way for Washington Democrats' 'cap-and-trade' national energy tax, a bureaucratic nightmare that would make households, small businesses and family farms pay higher prices for electricity, gasoline, food and virtually every product made in America. One independent analysis determined that this national energy tax would cost our economy millions of jobs each year for the foreseeable future. What's more, the timing of this announcement is yet another indication President Obama is preparing to unilaterally commit the United States to mandatory emissions cuts at the UN Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen. If the President truly believes these job-killing mandates are in the nation's best interests, he should slow down

and first seek the advice and consent of the people's elected representatives.

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Subject Fw: Greenwire: If air chief loves a brawl, she's come to the right place

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Subject: Greenwire: If air chief loves a brawl, she's come to the right place

EPA: If air chief loves a brawl, she's come to the right place (11/13/2009)

Robin Bravender, E&E reporter

U.S. EPA air chief Gina McCarthy has a thick Boston accent, a shock of cropped white hair and a penchant for a good fight.

"I cannot shy away from controversy," she told a panel of EPA advisers recently. "I don't know if it's my Irish blood, but I love it. I love disagreements. I love the democratic process. If I'm in a room where everybody agrees, I start to nod off."

That is lucky for McCarthy, 55, whose job as the nation's top air regulator has her in what may be the world's hottest spot: the center of a political free-for-all over climate regulation and other air pollution policies.

As President Obama's nominee for the air office post, McCarthy got a whiff of how contentious her new job could be before she was even confirmed by the Senate. Republican Sen. John Barrasso of Wyoming stalled the vote on her confirmation for nearly a month last spring to protest EPA's movement toward using the Clean Air Act to regulate greenhouse gases. Barasso's "hold" prevented McCarthy from being present at the White House Rose Garden in May when Obama announced the first-ever national greenhouse gas emissions standard on cars and truck in May.

"I was at home awaiting confirmation, really ticked off that it was my opportunity to meet the president, and I was not in that garden," she said.

"So much got done before I got here. I finally called up [EPA Administrator] Lisa Jackson, and I said, 'If you don't get these people off my back, I'm never coming there, because you are making all these commitments and dumping them on my lap, and I'm supposed to implement them. I'm supposed to at least get the pleasure of the announcement.'"

McCarthy quickly made up for lost time when she finally moved in June into her fifth-floor office at EPA headquarters, the Ariel Rios Building on Pennsylvania Avenue.

McCarthy and her staff quickly rolled out several climate policies in response to the Supreme Court's 2007 *Massachusetts v. EPA* decision, which gave the agency the authority to regulate greenhouse gases as air pollutants.

Environmentalists have hailed the proposals, which they say were long overdue, while conservative lawmakers and many industry groups have accused EPA of attempting to impose new regulations that would cripple a struggling economy.

But McCarthy, a veteran regulator and a pioneer in a Northeastern regional program to curb global warming emissions, has taken criticism and praise in stride.

"Even if there's controversy, I'm going to make the decision, and people are going to be happy in one instance and unhappy in the next," she said in an interview. "But that's the job I've been given and the job I'm going to embrace."

'I definitely challenge people'

McCarthy has a long to-do list.

At the top of the list are redoing a series of Bush-era rules that were tossed out in court, pioneering a national program to curb greenhouse gas emissions and keeping pace with federal deadlines for pollution programs -- deadlines the agency has consistently failed to meet in the past.

To have a shot at getting it all done, she will need the loyalty of EPA's career staffers, many of whom were disenchanted with the Bush administration's controversial air policies.

"What a breath of fresh air," said an EPA air employee who was not authorized to speak to the press and spoke on background. "She comes to us with much greater knowledge than most of the people that have been in that position recently."

The employee continued, "The most obvious difference is that she takes seriously the mission of the agency to protect public health and the environment. That is her agenda -- it's not to minimize the burden on industry, it's to protect people and the environment, and that makes all the difference in the world."

Diane Chisnall Joy, assistant director of the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection's Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, called McCarthy -- who had led the state DEP -- a leader who values the opinions of her staff and works tirelessly. "She was always there to support the work that we did and never, ever failed to thank us," she said.

McCarthy admits she's "somewhat demanding" of her staff.

"I definitely challenge people," she said. "But hopefully, I am working harder than anybody else, and so people won't resent the fact that I want them to work hard, as well."

Working 12-hour days is not unusual for her. She typically arrives at the office around 8 a.m. When her husband is in town, she gets up early to walk their two dogs -- Tyson, a golden retriever, and Emma, whom she describes as a "little, poopy dog" her daughter handed off when she went to college. Tyson, who would chew on the family's ears when she was a puppy, was named after the ear-biting heavyweight boxer Mike Tyson.

McCarthy usually leaves the office around 8 or 9 p.m. She goes home to the Pentagon City neighborhood of Arlington, Va., eats dinner and starts plugging away to make sure she's caught up on her e-mails, she said.

She finds it remarkable that her boss, Jackson, is just as work-obsessed as she is. "I will e-mail her at 11 o'clock at night, and at 11:01 I'll get an answer," McCarthy said.

McCarthy's staff can also expect to get those late-night notes.

"I've told them that they must stop returning my e-mails at 2 in the morning, because it creeps me out," she said.

New England roots

McCarthy grew up in Canton, just outside of Boston, in a working-class Irish Catholic family.

She still lives in Canton and has found it hard to tear herself away from her native Massachusetts, no matter where her work takes her.

McCarthy studied social anthropology as an undergraduate at the University of Massachusetts, Boston. She went to Tufts University for graduate work, receiving joint degrees in science and environmental health engineering and planning and policy. McCarthy spent 25 years working on environmental issues in her home state in a variety of positions at the state and local levels. She moved to Connecticut in 2004 when Gov. Jodi Rell (R) appointed her commissioner at the state DEP. She got a studio apartment a few blocks from her office in Hartford, but she went home at least once during the week and during the weekend. "I realized," she said, "that I just wasn't gonna move."

When McCarthy took the EPA post in Washington, "for the most part, I started out going home every weekend," she said. Her husband, Kenneth McCarey, works from home as a wholesale floral salesman, so he sometimes comes to visit for stretches of several weeks.

"I like having him here, but I'm still lonely to go home," she said. The couple has three grown children -- ages 22, 23 and 25 -- who all live in the Boston area. "Every time I go home, it's an occasion for me and somewhat of an occasion for them," she said. "They like Sunday dinner."

McCarthy likes to cook for her kids when they come home. "I come from ... many generations of Irish people. We're meat and potato people, so I don't think that I'm the most creative cook, but I do love the 'Barefoot Contessa,'" she said, referring to the Food Network cooking show. "I could watch her endlessly."

But with two kids who are vegetarians and another who only eats chicken if she eats any meat, cooking can get complicated. "So for a meat and potato person, I have to get creative when my kids come," she said.

Passion for public health

You can learn a lot about McCarthy by looking at her early jobs, said Seth Kaplan, vice president for climate advocacy at the New England-based Conservation Law Foundation who worked extensively with McCarthy during her work at the state level.

She started her career in 1980 as the first full-time health agent in Canton. In 1984, she began working for the board of health in the neighboring town of Stoughton and eventually became the town's first environmental officer.

"She fundamentally has been on the ground thinking about and caring about and trying to take care of the public health of citizens," Kaplan said.

He compared her path to that of someone who started out driving a bus and ended up running the transit agency. "There's a special kind of knowledge that comes from having been the line person that I think infuses what she does."

When she was in graduate school, McCarthy gravitated toward health policy courses more than environmental work. "I've always been interested in health consequences," she said. "I see that as being the primary driver for my interest in environmental work, which is why air quality stuff as well as climate interests me tremendously -- because I see those as having really direct and very large health consequences associated with them."

In 1985, Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis (D) appointed McCarthy to serve as a member of a state hazardous waste safety council responsible for reviewing and permitting hazardous waste facilities. From there, she began working her way up in the Massachusetts government, holding key environmental posts under Republican Govs. William Weld, Paul Cellucci, Jane Swift and Mitt Romney.

Reputation

McCarthy's federal appointment was met with broad acclaim from state regulators and environmentalists and with cautious optimism from many industry leaders.

As the head of Connecticut's DEP, McCarthy helped coordinate a multi-state effort to create the

Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), the nation's first mandatory cap-and-trade program. She also won praise for her work on the state's No Child Left Inside program, as well as her efforts to restore the Long Island Sound and Connecticut's parks and forests.

Connecticut environmentalists were sad to see her go.

"We really were disappointed and ticked off when she left," said John Calandrelli, state program director of Connecticut's Sierra Club chapter. "She's very smart, has very good, high energy. She's a spark plug."

Although her tenure in Connecticut was short, she did very well working under tight budget constraints, said Calandrelli, adding that he wouldn't mind seeing her return to resume her job at DEP someday. "We were making big progress when Gina was here," he said.

A March editorial in the *Hartford Courant* said, "There's no other way to put this: Gina McCarthy will be a big loss."

DEP under McCarthy did come under fire in 2007 after a *Courant* article accused the agency of consistently lagging on enforcement action against chronic water polluters.

"We're trying to make that turn" toward stronger enforcement, then-Commissioner McCarthy told the *Courant*, "but we have some serious backlogs to contend with."

The March editorial noted that McCarthy inherited some of those enforcement problems and called her a "pragmatist who tried to bring companies into compliance without putting them into bankruptcy."

McCarthy has a reputation for being honest and straightforward when dealing with industry.

In Connecticut, McCarthy dealt with industry "very fairly," said Eric Brown, associate counsel for the Connecticut Business and Industry Association. She's "very genuine," Brown said. "The person you sit down with is the person she is."

Mary Beth Gentleman, an industry attorney at Foley Hoag's Boston office, spent time negotiating across the table from McCarthy when she was a Massachusetts official.

"In the negotiations that I participated in with Gina, the outcome was workable, practical, somewhat painful," Gentleman said, "but she got both environmental advocates and the company I was representing -- moved us from a deadlock position to a solution."

McCarthy has shown a willingness to listen to and understand industry's legitimate concerns, said Jeff Holmstead, former EPA air chief under the George W. Bush administration and now an industry lawyer. But, he added, "I wouldn't necessarily characterize her as industry-friendly. There's no doubt she believes in fairly aggressive regulation of industry."

McCarthy doesn't see herself that way.

"I never really thought of myself as a regulator," McCarthy said. "I actually am a strong believer in markets. I really think our job is to make sure that the work we do is valued and priced in the markets appropriately. And so I am a true believer in democracy -- in having government intervene when it needs to and not when it doesn't."

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[EPA Eyes New Rule, Permit Process To Assess Climate Benefit Of Biomass](#)

EPA has rejected a forest and paper industry push to exempt carbon dioxide (CO₂) from biomass combustion from greenhouse (GHG) permit requirements, but is considering a new rule or permit provisions that could account for biomass's possible climate benefits -- an approach that could include controversial lifecycle assessments for the fuel.

[Other Agencies Skewer EPA's Original Plan For Hazardous Coal Ash Rule](#)

EPA was harshly criticized by other federal agencies for its original draft proposal to regulate coal ash and other coal combustion residues (CCR) as hazardous under federal waste law, according to a compendium of comments posted in the docket for EPA's proposal that eventually included both a less stringent non-hazardous option as well as hazardous waste rules for handling coal wastes.

[House Lawmakers Urge EPA To Withdraw Mountaintop Mining Guidelines](#)

House lawmakers are urging EPA to withdraw its water quality guidance for mountaintop mining operations, citing long-running industry concerns that the guide inappropriately uses conductivity as a metric to determine water quality, that the guide could be applied to sectors other than mining, and that it unfairly targets only Appalachia.

[EPA Quietly Crafts Guide On CAFOs' Duty To Seek Permits, Riling Industry](#)

As part of an upcoming legal settlement with environmentalists, EPA has crafted draft guidance on when concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) have a duty to seek clean water act discharge permits, a controversial topic that industry says is moot because a federal appellate court ruled in 2005 that CAFOs have no duty to seek permits.

[Industry Rejects Suit Seeking CAFO Liability For Contractor's Discharges](#)

A major poultry company is pushing a federal district court to dismiss a novel case where environmentalists are seeking to hold large livestock integrators liable for violations of their contractors' Clean Water Act (CWA) discharge permits, arguing that its contractual relationship with a

farm is not enough to make it a defendant under the water act.

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[EPA Tells BP To Cut Dispersants](#)

EPA and other agencies have ordered BP to scale back its use of oil dispersants -- by as much as 75 percent -- after the company rejected an earlier directive from the agency to identify a less toxic brand of dispersant to use in response to the ongoing spill in the Gulf of Mexico, Administrator Lisa Jackson said.

[New Environmental Conservatism](#)

NEW YORK -- Recently elected New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie (R) is restructuring his state's outlook on environmental regulation, embracing an industry-backed approach that will give companies more flexibility in meeting air, water and waste requirements while scaling back the role of state regulators, a top state official told a recent environmental policy conference here.

[The Cost Of Oil Spills](#)

Resources for the Future (RFF), the environmental think tank, estimates that the economic and environmental costs of the continuing BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico could easily exceed \$15 billion - \$20 billion if its average costs approach those of the massive Exxon Valdez spill.

[EAB Accelerates Shell Permit Review](#)

EPA's Environmental Appeals Board (EAB) has set an accelerated schedule for briefing and oral argument in environmentalists' appeal of EPA Region X air permits issued to Shell that allow the company to conduct exploratory oil drilling off the Alaska coast beginning in July.

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Operator

Ladies and gentlemen, thank you for standing by, and welcome to the AEP Second Quarter 2011 Earnings Conference Call. [Operator Instructions] And as a reminder, today's call is being recorded. Now with that being said, I'll turn the conference over to Mr. Chuck Zebula. Please go ahead, sir.

Charles Zebula

Thank you, John. Good morning and welcome to the Second Quarter 2011 Earnings Webcast of American Electric Power. Our earnings release presentation slides and related financial information are available on our website, aep.com. Today, we will be making forward-looking statements during the call. There are many factors that may cause future results to differ materially from these statements. Please refer to our SEC filings for a discussion of these factors.

Joining me this morning are Mike Morris, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer; and Brian Tierney, our Chief Financial Officer. We will take your questions following their remarks. I will now turn the call over to Mike.

Michael Morris

Thanks a lot, Chuck, and good morning, everyone. Thanks for being here with us for the update on the second quarter activities at American Electric Power Company.

I'd move you to Page 3, the second quarter 2011 highlights and try to get some granularity about these small statements. First, we're really quite satisfied with where we are through the second quarter of 2011. We really got up to a bit of a slow start in kilowatt-hour usage as you may remember early in the year, but things have improved in our entire footprint since then.

Clearly, stronger in the West than in the East, but acceptable in both of those areas. Commercial sales in the East still are lagging from what we had forecasted they might be, but we're really seeing very strong industrial sales throughout our Eastern footprint.

In fact, if you remove the impact of Century Aluminum still being offline, we're at about 95-plus percent of the overall industrial send-outs that we saw in the prerecession time. And that really stays in line with the things that we talked to you about during 2008 and 2009.

Clearly, different from the recessions that we saw in our Eastern footprint back in the 80s and 90s, where plants actually were shut, and shut forever. What we suggested in the 2008, 2009 timeline was that people were laying their plants up for the intent to come back and clearly, that has come to be the case.

We are seeing additional shopping in Ohio beyond what we had forecast for our retail customers, but as you might imagine, American Electric Power retail operations have been successful, not only in AEP Ohio's footprint, but in the other opportunities that present themselves here in Ohio.

And of course, any gigawatt-hour sale that doesn't go to the retail market does go to the off-system market. And I think you know from our press release that off-system sales results have been quite solid.

So when we look at the net-net of the effect of switching in Ohio, we've always been an advocate for that. We didn't think that it would affect us quite as deeply as it has, but we're reacting to it in a very constructive way. And net-net, the impact is acceptable and we are satisfied with where we are with AEP retail and some of the things that we see.

So based on all that we look at throughout these first 2 quarters, we feel very comfortable with our \$3 to \$3.20 range, and reaffirm our earning strength forecast for calendar year 2011.

We have a couple of interesting litigation developments to talk about. We couldn't be happier with the way that the Texas Supreme Court ruling came out just a couple of weeks ago. I know that many of you had a chance to digest that, and of course, many of you have seen the impact that it had on CenterPoint and continues to have for them, as they go through the remand cycle of what the Texas Supreme Court has decided.

For us, as you know, it justifies the way that we went about auctioning off our assets, the way that we characterized stranded costs going forward, and it has great potential upside for, us not only in a one-time event, which we'll talk about or Brian will talk about a little bit more here in 2011, but on an ongoing basis as well.

And one of the things that you may not have appreciated, and we surely do, about the Texas Supreme Court decision, is that it also removed potential downsides that were argued by other petitioners in the case and made it quite clear that the approaches that AEP Texas took to that endeavor were exactly in compliance with the law, and we're very satisfied with that, as you might imagine.

We're also over-the-top satisfied with the ability to remove a number of the litigants in the overall activities in Arkansas as they pertain to the John W. Turk Plant. We are grateful that our team at SWEPCO was able to bring resolution with the hunt club folks as well, as well many of the other interveners in that case. And I can assure you that the political folks in Arkansas, as well as many of the judges that we reported the settlement to, were quite pleased with what they had come to learn about those activities.

As you know, there are 2 NGOs who did not participate in the overall dialogue, although invited. And that is interesting, and we'll continue to carry on our dialogues with them to see if we can find some resolution.

But more importantly, the underlying environmental issues that those parties have raised were addressed in the overall settlement with the other parties, so we think that we have the potential to bear fruit in those discussions with the 2 NGOs and we'll continue to do that.

When we look at our regulatory plan, as you know, where we've already had some success in calendar year 2011, \$220 million of our overall rate stack already accomplished. There are a few cats and dogs out there that may help us get there, but we're in pretty solid shape the way that we see it.

And the open proceedings in Ohio, Virginia and Michigan are there. Some may be resolved yet this year, and they'll have a constructive effect, we would hope, in that sense.

So let's spend a few minutes talking about Ohio because surely, as you know, we have a number of open cases in front of this jurisdiction, all of which are important to us, all of which are important to our customers and clearly, all of which are very important to the

economy here in Ohio.

We continue to have what we believe to be constructive dialogue with the many parties to the cases, including the Commission staff. We will continue to work toward that end on all of these outstanding matters. As you know, the merger case has been approved by the FERC. We would hope that, that will come through here in Ohio in the not-too-distant future.

A couple of important filings to be made in the not-too-distant future, obviously, today, we expect that the staff will file their testimony in the overall ESP case. Like all staff testimonies, or the testimony filed by any party, it will have some parts that we agree with, there will be some other parts that I'm sure we don't agree with.

Net-net, testimony is never the end result of where a case may end up but nonetheless, we, like you, look forward to reading that, and hopefully, we'll find a few things in there that will be encouraging for us. But I'm well aware that we may read things in there that we don't necessarily agree with as, well.

At the end of the day, we feel very comfortable about our position in Ohio. We feel comfortable, as I mentioned, about the dialogue that we've had with the parties to the cases. This is a new and different Commission, surely up to the task of resolving these many cases, and we would hope that, that happens. We also will be filing our view of the 2010 review of the SEET activity, pursuant to Senate Bill 221. As before, we think Ohio Power is in the Safe Harbor zone. And based on the way that the staff dealt with the activities at Columbus and Southern in the 2009 review SEET activities, we feel comfortable that we will not be impacted at all by the SEET activities in the review that will go on.

Like all my other colleagues, let me move into the environmental update, I should say, all my other colleagues who are coal-centric producers. I know that you had a pretty good walk-through the way that we all see the impact of the things the Environmental Protection Agency continues to do.

Casper came out, the industry spoke in a solid voice of -- we understand the end game here. We think that we can get there efficiently, financially and electrically, if the dates would be extended from 2014 to 2016. Much to our dismay and others, they moved those dates from 2014 to 2012. And of course, as you surely read frequently, the state of Texas was included for the very first time in the final rule that came out, now called Casper.

Notwithstanding that, we feel pretty comfortable at American Electric Power with our overall view of what we think the EPA's rulings, not only that which are issued, but those which will be issued, will have on our overall system. We stay committed to the notion that we'll be shuttering 6,000 megawatts prematurely. I know there's always been some confusion whether they were part of an overall settlement on New Source Review and New Source performance review some years back.

About 700 of those megawatts were included in those timelines, however, the rest of them have all been moved forward because of the current activities going on at the EPA.

Closing some of those facilities over time will, of course, have an effect on our ability to have gigawatt hours available for us in the off-system sales market. But throughout the footprints where we are very active with off-system sales, we expect other facilities will be shut as well. And that clearly will have not only a constructive impact on the capacity fees that we receive going forward, but it will also increase the amount of money recognized on gigawatt hours of energy put into the marketplace. And it doesn't take much of an uptick in those 2 numbers to compensate for the megawatts that will be coming offline because, as you all can imagine, those were higher-price plants at the top of the stack, which didn't dispatch as early as those on the lower cost portion.

So we feel as though there will be some impact, it surely won't be a devastating impact. Nonetheless, we will continue to do what we can politically, as well as in the general dialogue with the EPA to try to put greater rationality in what it is that they're trying to accomplish. I know that some of the more principled NGOs are concerned about the approaches that we have taken to this, particularly in the legislative arena.

But our position, we think, is reasonable. It gets us to the same environmental footprint by 2020 instead of 2016 or 2017, and it's not in a much more financially and electrically rational and beneficial way. So we will continue to put as much pressure on the EPA as we can. I'm happy to see that today, they decided to put another cap on oil and gas drilling. That will bring some additional folks in the fray of trying to discuss about the incredible aggressiveness that the EPA is taking, all in keeping with what they think is their challenge, but nonetheless, in our view, unnecessarily over-the-top and a bit aggressive. I don't think there's a corporation in America that doesn't want to get to the right place, it's just a matter of trying to get there in a cost-effective and energy-effective way.

Lastly, let me talk a minute about some disappointment for us, anyways, from the carbon capturing storage project layup at our Mountaineer station in New Haven, West Virginia. I know that many of you had the opportunity to be there. You know how amazingly impressive it was that we were able to capture and store the only integrated project anywhere in the world with a coal-fired power plant.

But going forward, without a carbon legislation or without an appropriate approach to carbon and its impact, it was simply not able for us to go forward and continue that project. It has been completed or will be completed through the base in engineering drawings and activities and laid up for another day.

We're encouraged by what we saw, we're clearly impressed with what we learned, and we feel that we've demonstrated, to a certainty, that carbon capture and storage is in fact a viable technology for the United States, and quite honestly, for the rest of the

world going forward.

So with that, let me simply close by saying we, as I mentioned at the outset, reaffirm our view of our earnings strength in 2011 and, of course, stand by our \$3.25 forecast for 2012.

With that, I'll turn the microphone over to Brian.

Brian Tierney

Thank you, Mike. This morning I'll review quarterly and year-to-date reconciliations through the second quarter, discuss low trends, review customer switching data and provide an update on the company's capitalization and liquidity. Then we will get to your questions as quickly as possible.

On Slide 4, you'll see that second quarter earnings for this year was \$352 million or \$0.73 per share, which was \$3 million less than last year's second quarter results of \$355 million or \$0.74 per share.

Here are some of the highlights for the quarter-on-quarter comparison: Operations and maintenance expense net of offsets was unfavorable by \$56 million or \$0.08 per share. This number is largely explained by an increase in storms expense of \$52 million. Much of this variance is attributable to Appalachian Power when in the second quarter of 2010, they were able to defer \$25 million related to a 2009 storm.

This year, Appalachian Power had storm costs totaling \$17 million for the quarter. Other costs, net, accounted for negative \$0.04 per share or \$34 million, and primarily consisted of a decrease of \$10 million net of tax from the sale of shares of the Intercontinental Exchange in 2010 and year-on-year increases in other taxes.

Customer switching accounted for an unfavorable quarterly comparison of \$24 million or \$0.04 per share. We will discuss this in more detail on Slide 7. Rate changes accounted for positive \$66 million or \$0.09 per share and came from multiple jurisdictions.

Off-system sales net of sharing were positive \$37 million or \$0.05 per share. This result was driven by a significant increase in physical volumes and the widening of spark and dark spreads. Physical volumes were up 81% due to an 11% reduction in planned and unplanned outages, and the fact that more of our units were in the money since around the clock prices were up 14%, while natural gas prices were only up 1% and delivered prices for coal were only up 3%.

Weather accounted for a positive \$0.01 per share, a \$5 million improvement over last year, and was favorable \$47 million versus normal weather. Driving this result for the quarter was the fact that our Western service territories experienced the hottest June in the last 30 years.

Turning to Slide 5, you will see that for year-to-date 2011, AEP earned \$744 million or \$1.55 per share, which is \$24 million more than last year's \$720 million or \$1.50 per share.

Highlights include operations and maintenance expense, net of offsets, which compared negatively to last year by \$30 million or \$0.04 per share, so with the quarterly comparison, this difference was largely driven by an increase in storm costs of \$36 million.

Other costs net decreased \$0.05 per share or \$35 million, and similar to quarterly comparison, was primarily driven by the absence of the \$10 million net of tax gain on ICE shares and from higher other taxes.

Customer switching was the difference of \$43 million or negative \$0.06 per share, and again, we'll discuss this in more detail later.

On the positive side, rate changes were responsible for a year-to-date gain of \$110 million or \$0.15 per share versus 2010. Again, these rate increases were for multiple jurisdictions.

Off-system sales, net of sharing, accounted for a positive comparison to last year of \$49 million or \$0.07 per share year-to-date. The story here is similar to the quarterly explanation, but it's not as dramatic. Physical volumes were up 45% and spark and dark spreads widened with around the clock prices for electricity increase in 5%, while natural gas prices were actually down 10% and delivered prices for coal increased 1.4%.

Finally, in contrast to the quarterly comparison, weather was a negative variance to last year for the year-to-date period. Although unfavorable by \$0.02 per share or \$15 million to last year, this year was actually favorable \$67 million when compared to normal weather.

Turning to Slide 6, we will take a look at the normalized load trends as promised. It's important to remember that this data has been adjusted to exclude the effect of weather and represents our total connected load.

In the bottom right-hand side of the slide, you will see that total normalized retail sales were up 1.9% for the quarter and are running at a positive 2.2% for the year-to-date. This improvement is primarily in the residential and industrial classes.

Although the residential class is up 4.4% for the quarter, it is up 9/10 of a percent year-to-date, which we believe is more indicative of growth in the class. Economic recovery for our commercial class of customer remains slow.

The improvement in the industrial class has been aided by the return to full production of one of our large aluminum customers. Mike mentioned that with the exception of

another aluminum customer who remains closed, our industrial sales volumes now stand at 95% of the prerecession levels.

Slide 19 in the appendix provides more detail on our top 5 industrial sectors. Finally, all customer classes have benefited by the Valley Electric Membership Corporation acquisition in our SWEPCO operating unit.

As a reminder, as part of our guidance for 2011, we were expecting sales volumes to exceed the prior-year by 1.7%. Although the mix of customer sales continues to shift somewhat between the classes, we remain confident that our original guidance remains sound. On Slide 7, we can examine AEP Ohio customer switching.

For clarity, let me describe the graph. The bars show us the 2011 cumulative percentage of load lost as to compared to AEP Ohio's total load. The line shows us how much generation margin was lost associated with the customer switching, \$46 million in total.

At the bottom of the page, you can see how this activity is split between our 2 Ohio operating units for the quarter-to-date and year-to-date periods. As we have previously discussed, the more significant activity is occurring in Columbus and Southern Power.

In aggregate, about 7% of 2011 total AEP Ohio load has switched through the end of June. The level of switching, to date, is running ahead of the pace assumed in our guidance, and we expect that to continue for the remainder of 2011.

It is important to note that we are experiencing positive, offsetting margins associated with the freed-up energy and capacity through off-system sales and capacity sales to competitive retail suppliers.

Given the net effects of increased switching and positive margin offsets, we remain confident with the 2011 earnings guidance.

Finally, on Slide 8, I would like to update you on our balance sheet and renewal of our recent credit facilities. You'll see that AEP's debt to total capitalization stands at 56.6%. This is the lowest level for this ratio in the last 5 years and reflects the commitment by the company to maintain a strong balance sheet and solidly BBB credit ratings.

Our cost reduction initiatives from last year and our capital expenditure discipline reflect that commitment and are direct reasons for the strength of our balance sheet. Also, on Wednesday, we issued an 8-K which contained important announcements about our 2 core credit facilities. On July 26, we renewed and upsized the \$1.45 billion facility that was due to expire in April of 2012 with a \$1.75 billion facility that will expire in 5 years.

In addition, we were able to extend the \$1.5 billion facility that was due to expire at the end of June of '13 by 2 years, now with an expiration in June of '15. We were also able to reprice that facility to reflect current, more favorable pricing. These assumptions

improve the capacity of our credit facilities by nearly \$300 million to \$3.25 billion, and extend the tenure of these facilities considerably.

Also, as Mike mentioned earlier, we are pleased with the decision of the Texas Supreme Court to reverse the PUCT's decision to deny recovery related to the capacity options and to remand the issue back to the PUCT.

As a result, TCC will be entitled to recover \$420 million plus carrying costs dating back to 2002. We expect the total to be about \$900 million. This capital infusion will further strengthen the balance sheet of the company.

In summary, the company is in a strong credit and liquidity position as we enter the next several years, where the company will see increased demands for capital investment for environmental, maintenance and reliability needs.

As Mike mentioned, we are affirming our guidance for 2011 and 2012. As you know, our point estimate guidance for 2012 is \$3.25 per share. This guidance assumes a reasonable outcome in Ohio, manageable impact to off-system sales from the Casper rules and continued growth in our Transmission business.

In the coming months, as the Ohio and EPA pictures become clearer, we will be able to provide more specific guidance than the point estimate we affirm today.

We appreciate your time today, and I'll turn the call now over to the operator for your questions.

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How the president can help slow the rise of the oceans and heal the planet - without waiting for Congress

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President Barack Obama walks in the White House rose garden.

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When Barack Obama won the Democratic nomination for president in 2008, he declared that future generations would remember it as "the moment when the rise of the oceans began to slow and our planet began to heal." More than three years later, the oceans are still rising and our planet has done more howling – in the form of extreme weather – than healing. In fact, the current political climate is actually headed in the wrong direction: The most heated talk in

Washington right now is not about reducing carbon pollution or expanding renewable energy, but whether to dismantle the Environmental Protection Agency. Michele Bachmann has pledged to see the EPA's "doors locked and lights turned off." Rep. Louie Gohmert, a Republican from Texas, wants to "let EPA go the way of the dinosaurs that became fossil fuels."

Not that Obama hasn't overseen some progress on the environment. He struck a deal with automakers to double fuel-efficiency standards by 2025. He boosted funding for clean-energy research. And he made some impressive appointments to key positions, including Lisa Jackson as head of the EPA and Steven Chu as secretary of energy. But overall, Obama's record on the environment has been uninspired – and that's putting it kindly. He hasn't stopped coal companies from blowing up mountaintops and devastating large regions of Appalachia. He caved in on tightening federal standards for ozone pollution, putting the lives of millions of Americans at risk. And the biggest tragedy: He has done almost nothing to rein in carbon pollution – or even to convince Americans that, in the long run, cooking the planet with coal and oil is a bad idea.

It's not all Obama's fault: His plans to rebuild America's energy infrastructure have been hampered by the recession, and his efforts on global warming have been stymied by Tea Party wackos and weak-kneed Democrats in Congress. But the president has spent far too much time blaming others, when he could have been taking action on his own. Here are 10 things Obama could do right now – without any say-so from Congress – to slow the rise of the oceans and heal the planet. All it takes is the will – and some political courage.

ONE: Stop the Pipeline

Is it in our national interest to overheat the planet? That's the question Obama faces in deciding whether to approve Keystone XL, a 2,000-mile-long pipeline that will bring 500,000 barrels of tar-sand oil from Canada to oil refineries on the Gulf of Mexico. Greenlighting the \$7 billion pipeline would help feed America's addiction to oil – but it would also send a clear signal that Obama ranks cheap gas as a higher priority than a stable climate. Activist and writer Bill McKibben, who organized protests at the White House to stop the pipeline, calls the decision "a defining moment of the Obama years."

There are two big problems with Keystone XL. First, mining and refining the tar sands of Alberta – the second-largest repository of carbon on the planet – requires huge amounts of energy. That's why carbon pollution from tar-sand oil is up to 20 percent higher than from conventional crude. If we burn through the tar sands, warns NASA expert James Hansen, it's "game over" for the climate. Second, an oil spill from the pipeline could devastate the Midwest: A recent study by the University of Nebraska estimates that a worst-case spill in the Platte River would create an oil slick that would stretch for hundreds of miles and contaminate drinking water for millions of Americans.

There are signs the pipeline may already be a done deal: The State Department's environmental review of the project recently concluded that the pipeline would have "no significant impacts." But Obama can still stop the project all by himself, simply by refusing to sign the certificate of national interest required to allow the pipeline to cross the U.S. border. But blocking Keystone XL means saying no to Big Oil. Among the companies with the most to gain if the pipeline is built: Koch Industries, a major backer of the Tea Party. To put pressure on the State Department,

which must sign off on the pipeline, Keystone's operator has hired the former deputy director of Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign as a lead lobbyist.

Environmental choices don't get much starker than this. "Obama is alone at the top of the key," McKibben recently wrote. "Will he take the 20-foot jumper – or pass the ball?"

TWO: Prevent Oil Spills

Last year, after an explosion at BP's deepwater Horizon rig killed 11 workers and spewed nearly 5 million barrels of crude oil into the Gulf of Mexico, Obama convened a national commission to examine the causes of the spill and recommend reforms. "The question is," the president said, "what lessons we can learn from this disaster to make sure it never happens again?"

Not many, apparently. The oil-spill commission, whose chairman called the disaster "both foreseeable and preventable," released its full report last January, along with a long list of recommendations to improve the oversight and safety of offshore drilling. Among them: Involve top scientists at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in decisions about where and how to drill, and boost the industry's liability for environmental and economic damages above \$75 million.

But so far, Obama has failed to act. "Most of the recommendations have now been buried," says Rick Steiner, an Alaska oil-spill expert. "It's a travesty." Part of the blame lies with Republicans in the House, who are pushing to open up large swaths of the Atlantic Coast and the Arctic to offshore drilling. But Obama can implement many of the reforms by executive order: Improve training for federal inspectors, impose a fee on the oil industry to cover the cost of regulation, put a stop to the Interior Department's cozy relationship with drillers, and establish Regional Citizens Advisory Councils for both the Gulf and the Arctic to give local communities a voice in how the industry is regulated.

THREE: Crack Down on Carbon

NASA climate scientist James Hansen has called coal, the most carbon-intensive of all fossil fuels, "the single greatest threat to civilization and all life on our planet." But Obama has failed to curb carbon pollution from coal plants. He didn't manage to push a program to cap and trade carbon emissions through Congress when he had the chance, and there's no way he can win approval for a straight-up carbon tax. But now he has a chance to do it the old-fashioned way: by wielding the power of the executive branch.

Following a 2007 ruling by the Supreme Court, the EPA has the responsibility to regulate greenhouse gases as a pollutant. The agency is working on new rules that would cut carbon pollution from power plants – the country's single biggest source of planet-warming emissions. The question is: How tough will they be? To make Big Coal really clean up its act, the standards need to be set at roughly the same pollution levels produced by natural gas – about 1,100 pounds of pollution per megawatt hour of electricity. "That would essentially end the construction of conventional coal plants in America," says Vickie Patton, general counsel for the Environmental Defense Fund. "But if the standards are significantly looser, they could have the perverse effect of actually encouraging the construction of a new generation of plants." The ultimate outcome –

no more coal plants, or far too many – is entirely in Obama's hands.

FOUR: Strike a Deal With China

Thanks to America's failure to provide leadership in climate negotiations over the past two decades, the idea that the nations of the world will come together and strike a deal to reduce carbon pollution is an increasingly far-fetched fantasy. But rather than struggle to get global negotiations back on track, why not just cut a deal with the only other country that really matters? Given that the two nations combined emit more than 40 percent of the carbon pollution released into the atmosphere every year, a bilateral agreement with China could have a huge impact on the climate. "Deals among the major emitters are a lot more practical than global treaty-based talks through the United Nations," says David Victor, an expert in international treaties at the University of California in San Diego. A bilateral deal would also remove one of the major roadblocks to congressional action: the fear that driving up the price of oil and gas at home would send more manufacturing jobs scurrying to China.

But even if China didn't agree to a carbon cap – or if Congress refused to follow suit – climate talks with the world's biggest carbon polluter could help shift the debate over global warming. David Doniger, policy director of the National Resources Defense Council's climate center, believes a deal with China to phase out so-called "super greenhouse gases," such as hydrofluorocarbons, is within reach. "It's not going to solve the problem of climate change," he says. "But it's a step in the right direction."

FIVE: Make Coal Clean Up Its Mess

A month before Obama took the oath of office, an earthen dam ruptured at a coal-waste storage pond near Kingston, Tennessee, sending a billion gallons of gray-black sludge into the Emory River, destroying homes, killing wildlife, and contaminating the soil and water. It was the second-largest industrial disaster in American history after BP, a flood of waste 100 times bigger than the Exxon Valdez oil spill in 1989.

Each year, coal plants in the U.S. generate nearly 140 million tons of coal ash, a toxic sludge laced with chemicals like arsenic, cadmium and mercury. Disposal of the ash is regulated – when it is regulated at all – by state laws, most of which are weak and filled with loopholes. For decades, the industry has poured the toxic sludge into lagoons and mines, used it to pave roads and fertilize crops, even recycled it into bowling balls and toothpaste. There are currently more than 1,000 sites that store coal ash in 35 states, and the vast majority of them are unmonitored. According to the EPA, residents who live near unlined ash ponds run a risk of cancer from arsenic contamination 2,000 times greater than federal standards permit.

None of this is any secret to EPA chief Lisa Jackson. At her confirmation hearing in 2009, just a few weeks after the Kingston spill, she was asked what she would do to protect the public from coal-waste pollution. Jackson suggested that it was time for the EPA to step in and issue new rules for disposal of the toxic waste. "The EPA currently has, and has in the past, assessed its regulatory options," she said. "I think it is time to re-ask those questions." Three years later, the EPA is still dragging its feet. New rules have been proposed to treat coal ash as "special waste" – jargon for "hazardous" – and subject it to stricter standards. But Jackson says the new regulations can't be finalized this year because the agency has to sift through 450,000 public comments

submitted by opponents and advocates. It's a lame excuse for inaction – one that puts the public at risk.

"Obama needs to tackle this issue head-on," says Lisa Evans, a senior attorney at Earthjustice who has been involved in the fight over coal ash for more than a decade. "Allowing the proposal to languish is harming communities where the ash is disposed, and it is harming the coal-ash recycling industry, which needs regulatory certainty about how this material will be handled in the future."

SIX: Hang Tough on Fuel Standards

In July, Obama announced that the administration has reached an agreement with the auto industry that would nearly double fuel standards to 54 miles per gallon by 2025. Environmental advocates hailed it as the biggest step ever taken to reduce American dependence on foreign oil and cut planet-warming pollution. "If we can lock in these gains," says David Friedman, a clean-vehicles researcher at the Union of Concerned Scientists, "it's a huge, huge deal."

The key word is "if." Although automakers have agreed to the new standards in principle, the rules could be festooned with loopholes before they are finalized next year. Obama needs to insist on three key elements. First, vehicles should not be granted fuel exemptions for supposedly "green" moves like installing cleaner air conditioners. Second, cars with four-wheel drive should be required to meet the new standards, rather than being classified as trucks. And third, automakers must not be given a pass for developing electric vehicles. As it stands now, electric cars count as zero-emission vehicles, even though most aren't. "The electricity that powers electric cars has to come from somewhere," says Dan Becker, head of the Safe Climate Campaign. "In many states, it comes from burning coal. That certainly creates greenhouse-gas pollution." If electric vehicles take off, we could end up substituting coal for oil – undercutting the environmental impact of the new fuel standards before they even take effect.

SEVEN: Make Conservation Patriotic

Ever since Jimmy Carter asked Americans to put on a sweater and turn down the thermostat, the idea of taking voluntary steps to reduce energy consumption has been seen as something of a joke. In fact, conservation and improved efficiency measures are not only the simplest ways to cut our energy use – they're also the least expensive. Amory Lovins, co-founder of the Rocky Mountain Institute, has long argued that it's eight times cheaper on average to save a kilowatt of electricity than it is to make one.

During the 2008 campaign, Obama was nearly laughed off the campaign trail when he floated the idea that keeping car tires properly inflated should be part of a national plan for energy conservation. Turns out he was right: California now requires repair shops to check the tire pressure on every car they service – a move projected to save motorists 75 million gallons of gasoline every year.

As president, Obama should act immediately to make energy efficiency a patriotic cause. Create a Climate Corps, modeled on Teach for America, to inspire college kids to spend their summers installing insulation in old homes and buildings. Pass out compact fluorescent light bulbs at

every public appearance. Convince the cast of True Blood to wage an ad campaign against "energy vampires" – electronic devices like DVD players that continually suck up small but significant amounts of electricity. Decree that the federal government buy only hybrids and electric vehicles, and that all federal buildings be equipped with energy-saving lights. Park Air Force One once in a while and take Amtrak – or ride a bike. Write a children's book about why wasting energy is bad.

EIGHT: Give Fish a Chance

Our addiction to fossil fuels is making the world's oceans more acidic – which in turn makes it harder for marine life to thrive and reproduce. But there is a simple step that Obama can take to protect the oceans: Issue an executive order establishing strategic "fish production zones." Fishing would be prohibited in the zones, helping to boost the world's population of fish, dolphins, whales, sea turtles and even seabirds. "Many fish populations remain deeply depleted, resulting in lost jobs and depressed fishing communities," says Carl Safina, founder of the Blue Ocean Institute. "But just as you can't have only retail stores – you need factories to produce what will go into those stores – we need to have places in the ocean where fish can grow big, breed prolifically and then disperse to stock nearby fishing areas."

Even George W. Bush understood the need to restock the pond: To his credit – and reportedly over the strenuous objections of Dick Cheney – he created three new marine reserves before he left office. Obama should go much further, creating production zones that cover 20 percent of U.S. waters. "Studies show that this works," says Safina. "And it works best if the reserves – the fish-producing factories – are large."

NINE: Pardon Tim DeChristopher

Back in 2008, as the Bush administration was scrambling to open up millions of acres of federal land to oil and gas drilling, DeChristopher staged a daring act of civil disobedience, posing as a bidder to disrupt a federal auction that would have damaged wilderness areas like the Arches and Canyonlands national parks in Utah. For this, the 29-year-old activist was sentenced in July to two years in federal prison. Obama has since declared many of Bush's last-minute leases invalid. Now he should make a small but important symbolic gesture by pardoning DeChristopher, sending a signal that a citizen-activist should not be singled out for punishment when the government itself disrespects the rule of law. "If Nixon can pardon Haldeman," asks Wendy Abrams, founder of a global-warming project called Cool Globes, "why can't Obama pardon DeChristopher?"

TEN: Use the Bully Pulpit

Ever notice how often the phrase "climate change" pops up in Obama's speeches? Not much – only 20 times in the past year, and fewer than half as many as the year before. The president has failed to make a big issue-defining speech on global warming, failed to defend the climate scientists being attacked by Big Oil, and failed to blast congressional climate deniers like Sen. James Inhofe, who shamelessly and stupidly dismiss global warming as a "hoax."

In fact, Obama's refusal to speak out on the risks and moral obligations of climate change may well be his biggest failure as president. "He has been silent on the defining issue of our time, letting Big Oil and the deniers define the debate," says Joe Romm, a leading climate advocate

who served as assistant energy secretary under Bill Clinton. "In some sense, he has been a bigger failure than Bush – because Obama knows better. He knows exactly what is at stake."

Insiders insist the president is running a "stealth campaign" on climate change, quietly going after coal and oil by tightening air-pollution and fuel-efficiency standards. But Obama alone has the power to elevate global warming to the forefront of the international agenda, where it belongs. He must use his remarkable rhetorical skill to explain to the world that the fossil-fuel era is coming to an end – and inspire us all to take action, no matter what the cost. "Obama needs to make a decision," Romm says. "Does he want to be remembered as the president who had the best chance of taking action on climate – but who failed to stop the catastrophe?"

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A full set of stories from today will be coming to you in a package tomorrow. Here is an interesting one from Al.

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Interesting quote from David Campbell at the end. A \$45B bet gone bad.

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-- TXU value depends on the price of natural gas--

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TXU purchasers are on the road telling investors about the value of their decision to buy the utility for \$45 Billion.

As is made clear in an article published on Star-Telegram.com titled TXU buyers bet on higher natural gas prices, one of the major factors that will make the decision a good one is the price of natural gas in Texas.

The higher the price of that commodity, the more money the utility will make and the more valuable the stock will be.

That analysis may not be intuitively obvious since about half of TXU's generating capacity burns natural gas, but when one looks at the actual electricity production from the company the story becomes more clear. As of 2006, only about 6% of TXU production comes from burning gas - most of the gas fired capacity in the system is in peaking plants that rarely operate. The vast majority of TXU production comes from coal and nuclear plants whose fuel costs are much lower and more stable than those of the gas fired plants.

Since Texas electrical markets are partially deregulated, the market price is set by the highest cost generators. Those are usually companies that depend on natural gas as their main supply. Companies with substantial quantities of lower cost generation can make a huge rate of return in that kind of market.

Here are some numbers for thought - according to figures published by the Nuclear Energy Institute the average cost of generation (in US dollar cents per kilowatt-hour) from various sources in 2006 was as follows:

Coal - 2.37

Gas - 6.75

Petroleum - 9.63

Nuclear - 1.72

If you are a company with mostly depreciated coal and nuclear assets (since most of TXU's plants are more than 25 years old, they qualify) you can manufacture electricity for well under 50% of the market price. That is a huge margin for a high volume commodity.

Here is the explanation in the words of the company:

David Campbell, TXU's chief financial officer, explained the company's hedging strategy in a July interview, noting that TXU's coal and nuclear plants "are like a natural gas field" that TXU owns.

"They produce power at the cost of coal and nuclear, but the price is driven by the wholesale market in Texas, and that price is set by natural gas," he said.

That is something to think about.

<http://atomicinsights.com/2007/09/txu-value-depends-on-the-price-of-natural-gas.html>

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MR. CARNEY: Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Today I have with me two special guests, here to discuss the President's speech earlier today on America's energy security. I have Secretary of Energy Steven Chu; I also have Heather Zichal, who is the Deputy Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Policy.

Secretary Chu will open with a short statement, and then the two of them can take questions from you. And why don't we address the questions that you have for them at the top, we can let them go, and I'll remain to take questions on other issues after they leave. Thanks very much. And I'll call on people once they start.

SECRETARY CHU: Thank you and good afternoon. This morning we heard the President talk about a bold, but ambitious and achievable goal to reduce our oil imports by a third by 2025. And this is a goal, although ambitious, I believe is achievable. So instead of spending a billion dollars a day to import foreign oil, this is a goal where we believe we can be investing in money and creating wealth in the United States.

To achieve this goal will require two things. It's going to require increasing domestic production. It will also require decreasing our dependence on oil. And so, for that, let me at least tell you some of the things the administration has been doing over the past two years.

We've established an historic fuel economy standard for model years 2012-2016 for light-duty trucks and cars. And that's expected to save \$1.8 billion of oil per year -- barrels of oil per year.

We've made great strides in electric vehicles. In 2009, the United States produced less than 2 percent of the world's advanced batteries, but with the investments made, we expect that we'll have battery capacity of producing up to 500,000 batteries per year. This could be 40 percent of the advanced battery world market.

We've also made great strides in battery research. A lot of the battery technology -- the latest chargeable battery technology that is now being invented in the United States is being built in the United States, and there's going to be a huge market for these batteries.

We've made great strides in biofuels. Research being done only one or two years ago are now being designed in power plants today, and we expect this to continue. We also expect to be announcing groundbreaking plants for commercial scale -- cellulosic and advanced biorefinery plants -- in the next two years. And we've also assembled teams -- for example, at Cal Tech, there's an energy team, a hub that would create biofuels directly from sunlight. And this is an economic way of just bypassing plants or algae or other forms of energy. So these are things that we have been doing.

Natural gas. As you all know, natural gas is -- a growing amount of natural gas, the reserves, because of the ability to frack shale rock, has been increasing. We believe that it is possible to safely and responsibly extract natural gas, and the U.S. government remains committed to that.

Electricity, the President has spoken before about electricity. Today we have roughly 40 percent of our electricity is in clean energy, if you consider the nuclear, the wind, the solar -- natural gas counting half credit.

We've set as a goal, the President has announced in his State of the Union, by 2035 that we would expect 80 percent of our energy to come from clean sources. This is very important because what this goal means is it unleashes a lot of the capital sitting on the sidelines for the lack of certainty that could be invested in America to create jobs, to create these new clean energies.

So these are many of the things that we're doing today. But as I said, the bottom line message is that we feel the pain that all Americans feel on the price of gasoline today. We see what it will lead to -- as the President stressed, it's not a short-term fix. We are going to be increasing the production of oil in the United States, but there is a global plan put forward that would say this will require a concentrated effort for years to come, but ultimately, what this is about is diversifying our supply of energy from oil into many other different sectors, and with that we can have the means to go forward.

And with that I'll turn it over to Heather.

MR. CARNEY: I'll go ahead and -- questions? Jim -- or Jake?

Q I'd defer to my colleague.

Q Mr. Secretary, one of the things that Republicans have seized on are comments that the President made when he was in Brasilia that the U.S. intended to become a major customer of Brazil's oil resources. And I'm wondering, given that comment and what his intentions are to reduce reliance by a third, how do you square those two?

SECRETARY CHU: Well, I think, first of all, the President was, in large part, talking about partnering with Brazil in the development of their oil resources. American companies have a lot of technical expertise in drilling oil, especially deepwater oil. And so I think part of it is that this allows American companies to partner with Brazil so they can develop those resources.

But it is by no means in contradiction to decreasing our reliance on foreign oil, because we also want to increase the production of domestic oil sources, both offshore and onshore. And so this is in no way contradictory to that.

MR. CARNEY: Jake.

Q Secretary Chu, do you think that the American people need to change their behavior at all in order to reduce our dependence on foreign oil, or is this really just something that's going to happen for us magically?

SECRETARY CHU: I think, given the statements over the last many, many decades, this is something that requires a concerted effort both in policy but I think in terms of the behavior. I mean, the price -- the oil shock that occurred in 2008 is something -- and now we're beginning to live this again -- through this again in 2011.

And I think what we want to do is to take stock of what's been happening since that time and say, look, let's look for a long-term path on what we need to do. And again, go back to this -- increased efficiency in your personal vehicles; it means electrification, in many cases. Batteries we think -- if you asked me two years ago, could I say that there would be a mass-marketed car within the next five years where you can drive 300 miles in a car that, let's say, you can buy without spending less than \$30,000, I'd say I'm not so sure. Today, I think it's really within grasp. I really feel that one can do this. And there are many, many companies and countries that recognize that within a short period of time, these batteries and these vehicles will become a reality.

Q So beyond more fuel-efficient vehicles, though, purchasing those, you don't think there's anything the American people need to do in terms of changing our behavior?

SECRETARY CHU: Well, I think people will automatically have to adjust. I mean, the terrible thing about the high oil prices is it comes right out of your pocketbook every week. And this is something that the administration feels very deeply and we recognize that. And that automatically does things. But in the meantime, what we want to do is say we have a plan going forward to actually give America the real long-term solutions. So it's electric vehicles, it's biofuels, it's efficiency; natural gas can be a player in the transportation sector as well.

Q Is there ever any consideration given to trying to change the American -- Americans' behavior by raising taxes on fuel? I know that's a forbidden thing, but it seems to be the model in much of the rest of the world, and even some states do it more than others.

SECRETARY CHU: Well, I think right now, I think the President's plan was outlined and we're going to stick to that plan. I think it's a solid plan going forward in the future.

Q Mr. Secretary, when you took this job, did you expect that you'd be overseeing a policy that was based on so much additional drilling, given what was released today, which seems to be a lot different than let's say the rhetoric that we heard even during the campaign and when you signed on?

SECRETARY CHU: No, I think the President has said many times that drilling -- development of the fossil fuel resources in the United States, as long as it's part of a comprehensive plan, was part of the package. And I think that's -- we still remain committed to that, the President remains committed to that vision.

MR. CARNEY: Chip.

Q The President said there are no quick fixes, and you've said that, too. But just so the American people understand this, is there anything in this whole spectrum of things that the administration is working on that would actually bring down the price of gas, or restrain the rise of the price of gas in the next year? And if not, when is the soonest any of these would have an effect on the price of gas?

SECRETARY CHU: Well, it's very hard to predict what anything that could predict how -- the short-term price of gasoline, the short-term price of oil, how it would affect it. Certainly if one says America is committed to further exploration, further drilling of gasoline, oil in the United States, that might have some effect, but it's very hard to really predict what's going on there. I think what you want to do is show that we have a plan going forward that diversifies the energy supply in transportation and give them that plan that diversifies that, so Americans have a choice. They can plug in their car to drive. They can use biofuels to drive. They can use more efficient cars, as well as oil and gas, which will be around for decades. When you have those choices, you're no longer subject to a single source, and that actually has a very calming factor in oil markets.

MR. CARNEY: Wendell.

Q Mr. Secretary, how can you convince Americans that Republicans are wrong when some of them say the President is actually cheering on \$4-a-gallon gasoline because it adds to the pressure to implement these clean energy policies?

SECRETARY CHU: I don't think anyone really would say -- look, the price of gas and oil today is so high that it's

creating such hardship to the American public and to businesses, and the recovery is fragile. And so I don't think anyone seriously can consider that anyone in public office, especially the President, would consider cheering on. We want to give Americans solutions -- solutions that will work, begin to work today, but continue to work so that two years from today if something like this should happen again, we're not surprised. We'll be in a better position to absorb that given that we'll have a diversity of choices.

Q But it's still half what they're paying in Europe.

SECRETARY CHU: I think that may be so, but again, we've seen -- Americans are now flocking to automobiles with much higher gas mileage, and they're voting with their feet. And as we develop better and better, more fuel-efficient cars, plug-in hybrids, other hybrids, more efficient internal combustion cars -- the Americans will vote with their feet. They see in the long term what might be happening. And I think that's -- Americans will make the right choice.

Q Mr. Secretary, the President talked about incentives for gas and oil leases. What precisely are the incentives, and when will they come into effect?

SECRETARY CHU: Well, he spoke of spurring on gas and oil leases. I don't know what the exact fraction is, but maybe Heather can -- but right now, there's roughly 50 or over 50 percent of the leases that are now given out are not being explored -- maybe 70 percent of the offshore leases.

MS. ZICHAL: Through a Department of Interior report that was issued yesterday, what we learned is, for offshore leases about 70 percent, and about 50 percent onshore leases remain idle. And what we're focused on to address that domestic production component that the President spoke today about being so important is finding new incentives to develop those idle leases.

Q What are they?

MS. ZICHAL: And so -- one of the options that the Department of Interior is exploring is looking at the terms of the lease sales, so that when a company is going out proactively and developing aggressively on their leases, there are additional opportunities we have to extend those lease sales -- so more of a carrot approach.

Q And when will it take effect? When will you decide?

MS. ZICHAL: Well, on some instances for offshore leases, we're already implementing those. We're working with Congress to -- we need legislation in order to do that for onshore leases. Obviously, this is part of a broad array of initiatives that the President talked about today and part of what we think is an important component of a bipartisan bill and energy policy.

Q So there's really no date then?

MS. ZICHAL: Well, I think we're doing the offshore component and we're working with Congress on the onshore component.

Q Have you extended any offshore -- you said, I guess one of the incentives is extending the leases?

MS. ZICHAL: Correct. For companies that are doing due diligence to develop the leases that they currently have -- and again, this is all through the lens of, we want to make sure that when we're going out there and companies have access to significant amounts of oil and gas -- which the Department of Interior report pointed to yesterday -- that those resources are being developed in a timely manner. And for offshore leases, there are already some measures that we have taken to make sure that that's happening, to bring those oil and gas resources to the American people.

Q Nuclear power, Mr. Secretary, which the President talked about again today as being a required component; you've talked about that. Three weeks after what happened in Japan, are you convinced that TEPCO has that situation under control? And looking at the lessons for America, are you convinced that investors in America will ever look on nuclear as safe enough to build new plants?

SECRETARY CHU: Well, first, let me talk about the American nuclear reactors. We believe they are safe. The President has ordered the Nuclear Regulatory Agency to go back and be doubly sure -- that INPO, a very strong safety group, industry group in the United States, is looking and seeing what we can do. Within the Department of Energy, we're also adding to that.

So this terrible tragedy that happened in Japan -- one of the -- the fourth-largest earthquake in recorded history, one of the largest tsunamis, I'm sure, in recorded history -- will teach us some lessons and we will use those lessons going forward to make the current fleet of nuclear reactors safer, and we will also use those lessons to make any future reactors far safer.

And so we do this all the time whenever there's an accident

like this, whether it be an airplane, an oil rig fire, anything. We go back, we learn lessons, and we push forward and say, okay, we're going to make it much safer.

With regard to TEPCO, I think that this is a very trying circumstance where we stand by and we're working very hard with them in any way we can to lend assistance or technical advice. We're not there on the ground, but we do have conversations with them -- both the NRC, the Department of Energy and others -- daily. And we are working very hard with them to mitigate any future potential risks as best we can. And so I can't really be sure of anything since I'm here and they're there. But, again, with regard to American reactors, we believe they are safe and as a result of this tragedy they're going to be safer.

Q Can I follow up, Jay, on that?

MR. CARNEY: Let me get to April.

Q Secretary Chu, two issues. One, you're talking about you feel Americans' pain when they go to the pump. But at the same time, while you're feeling this pain and you're watching the pocketbook, what mechanisms are in place right now to make manufacturers not gouge a consumer when they go to buy that electric vehicle, when they go to buy that biofuel vehicle? Because at this point, those cars are much more expensive than the average-price car. So what mechanisms are in place?

SECRETARY CHU: Correct me to -- you're talking about the gouging of highly fuel-efficient cars, for example?

Q I'm talking about hybrid cars, yes. All -- those cars that help you ride better with gas and keep your mileage low, your gas mileage low.

MS. ZICHAL: Well, I think there's a couple of things. First and foremost, through strategic investments in both the Recovery Act and the budget, the President has made significant investments in the research and development for these new advanced technologies that we will bring cleaner, more efficient cars and trucks to American families.

And those technologies -- we're working every day -- Secretary Chu can talk to you about what we're doing to help bring the prices down for these technologies and what we're doing as an administration across the board to look not only at cars and trucks, but biofuels, again, as a solution to bringing prices down.

SECRETARY CHU: But the answer to the specific question --

look, the allegations that price gouging among dealers or the allegations of price gouging at gasoline stations I think come up every now and then and we're not really -- I personally am not really sure to the extent it's happening. But in the end, this is very quickly self-correcting.

And let me do back to what's been happening. In the last couple of years, in the last two years, the American car companies are bouncing back. They are offering much more fuel-efficient cars. The Americans are recognizing that those are the cars to buy. The administration has been incredibly supportive and pushing into this direction. And so when you have that growing and that supply growing, that will naturally take care of itself.

Q My second question -- following up on what Mark was asking about the risk of new -- of creating new nuclear facilities in this country. With the new -- since we've seen what's happening in Japan, are there any concerns about any new buildings, any new construction for nuclear facilities that they are not located in populated areas? Is that a concern, as well, for this country?

SECRETARY CHU: Well, I think what has happened in the past is -- what the public doesn't fully appreciate is many of these reactors were built, let's say, 40, 45 years ago in places which were not so populated, and the population kind of grew up around them. And so as we go forward and site places, that will always be a consideration.

But let me also say that the newer reactors -- first, going back -- if you look at the current fleet of reactors, they are constantly being upgraded. A team of scientists and I toured one of them because it was a Mark I GE, that was a sister reactor to the one in Japan, and since they've been decommissioned many years, we actually can walk inside and get a feel for what was going on so that we could actually help and get a better firsthand experience about what might be possible.

Even when we were touring this decommissioned reactor, we got a good flavor for the constant upgrade of safety during the lifetime of that reactor. This will continue in all our current reactors, but in addition to that, the newer reactors that are now on the drawing boards and are being built are going to be far safer than the ones built 40 years ago. And so you -- it's just like today's automobiles and today's airplanes are safer.

Q Secretary Chu, while you're here -- I know you're not on the ground in Japan, but you testified on the issue a couple weeks ago. Could you give us your assessment of the current

situation in Japan with the reactors, what you think is going to happen in the coming days?

SECRETARY CHU: Well, I think the most crucial thing -- first, there are three direct reactors under distress, and we're also worried about spent fuels in four -- spent fuels, especially the most recent one that has the hottest fuel. And so the first order of business -- and this appears to be at least now under control -- is that you keep the water in the spent fuel ponds and you keep cooling the reactors.

There has been damage, we know, in the cores of three reactors, significant damage. And we're monitoring that situation. We're also worried about how to keep them cool and then, in the longer term, how do you get the salt water out of those reactors and resupply them with fresh water so that you can minimize any adverse effects --for example, corrosion.

So these are the things that we're focusing on here in the United States -- is how do you go into a long-term stable position where you can keep cooling the reactors and make sure the spent fuel ponds remain covered with water.

MR. CARNEY: Let's just get two more for our visitors. Ann.

Q Mr. Secretary, at what point in the future would alternative fuels, biofuels surpass oil consumption in the U.S.? Would that ever happen?

SECRETARY CHU: Yes, it will. Well, actually, let me temper this with the following. Let me make it broader. It's not only the biofuels for transportation, but I would say renewable energy in general. I mean, what the Department of Energy is focused on is to develop those technologies where the cost of electricity from photovoltaics or wind would be equal or less than the cost of new fossil fuel, whether it's gas or coal or whatever. That again, this is something where -- the debate, for example, at the Department of Energy, we are confident the business plans of companies around the world that are solar, photovoltaic energy will drop by 50 percent before the end of this decade, we begin to look at whether it's possible to drop it by 75 percent by the end of this decade.

Seventy-five percent is a magic number in my mind -- 70-75 percent -- because that means the cost of electricity of photovoltaics is less than the cost of new fossil energy.

Fossil fuels, similarly -- we are trying to target fossil fuels and design so that you get fossil -- biomass to replace fossil fuel, but biomass based on, for example, woody materials,

based on agricultural waste like wheat straw, corn cobs -- agricultural waste, lumber waste residues -- that's very inexpensive feedstock. We are working on ways to convert that feedstock in to drop in substantive fuels -- diesel gasoline, jet fuel. Already in the laboratory, this is being done. Now, the question is, can it be made commercially viable and when.

Okay, but when you make it commercially viable, then you're on to something very, very big because that means if it's commercially viable without subsidy, it can begin to be a very significant part of it, because it doesn't compete directly with food crops.

Q So is there a time in the future where oil -- when fossil fuels are not the predominant source of energy?

SECRETARY CHU: Well, I think in the next couple of decades, oil -- fossil fuels like oil and gas will be a very big part of the mixture. But in these coming years -- I can't promise you that the transition will occur 10 years from today, 15 year from today, 20 years -- but something -- in this part of the century, I think for sure it's going to be price competitive, okay? But it also depends a lot on the biomass capability of the world, and so that's the other complication.

MS. ZICHAL: And I think just to build on that, the point that the President made today is that if we're serious about gas prices and we're serious about these challenges, then we need a serious plan in order to take our country there. And that's why through the speech today he put out a new goal for oil savings. Later this afternoon, we'll be releasing a blueprint that talks about what we need to do to diversify across the board our energy sources and how we're going to get from A to B.

MR. CARNEY: Okay, Mark.

Q Mr. Secretary, we've been hearing Presidents talk about reducing dependence on foreign oil for decades. Why will this -- President Obama's plan work when others haven't?

SECRETARY CHU: I think technologically we're much closer than we ever were. As I said before, I was on the scientific advisory board of a battery company before I took my present position, and if you asked me four or five years ago what's the prospect of having a fairly inexpensive battery where you can drive 300 miles on a single charge, I would have said I don't know.

Based on what I've seen just in the last two years, I'd say 50 percent chance we might be testing those batteries in cars,

which means it will take three or four more years to get them on the road -- because there's a lot of safety things you have to do -- but a 50 percent probability that we'll be testing those batteries -- a battery one-third the cost, three times the range -- and at that point, that's mass market. It just flies off the shelf.

So it is really technology driven. If you asked me five years ago what's the prospect of having biofuels based on cellulosic materials that could be a direct drop in subsidies, I would have said I don't really know. But based on what's coming out of the labs and what is now being piloted today, I'd say, well, five or 10 years. I mean, that is a little bit longer time period, but I'd be surprised if in 15 years or 20 years it's not going to be a fraction of fuel in the United States. Why the United States? We have incredible agricultural resources in the U.S. So we're blessed with that.

MS. ZICHAL: And again, I think to just build on that for a moment, part of the answer is looking at the two years of the -- the first two years of our administration and the actions that we've taken. First and foremost, the Recovery Act, we had an historic investment in clean energy development and research. Second, one of the first actions that the President took was to set a goal of 1.5 million electric vehicles on the road by 2015. And we used our existing authorities in new and interesting ways through the Department of Transportation and EPA to establish the new efficiency standard that Secretary Chu was talking about. That's 1.8 billion barrels of oil savings over the life of the program.

And across the board, we are looking at -- think about energy policy -- not about what is the role of the Department of Energy, what is the role of EPA, but how are we going to across the board use our existing authorities to bring solutions to American families and work with the Congress to find some additional bipartisan solutions.

Q But you would agree that America is still addicted to oil? (Laughter.)

MS. ZICHAL: We would agree that America certainly needs to continue producing our oil supplies. In the short term, as the President said, we have some steps we need to take, and we are going to continue to build on to increase the use of our domestic oil and gas resources. But we need a long-term plan, because as long as we don't have a long-term plan that is legitimate to help us break our addiction, we are going to continue to be stuck to these -- in these oil price shocks.

Q Secretary Chu, do you still believe that we need European levels of gas prices, as you suggested to The Wall Street Journal in 2008?

SECRETARY CHU: No, I think there's enough incentive today. I think, again, no one is even considering that today, given where the price of gas is. I think given the long-term prospects, I think Americans realize and the world realizes, given the demand in China, especially, and followed by India, that most of the automobiles being sold in the world -- China is the biggest market -- that increased demand going into the coming decades, with the finite resources we have, we'll say, okay, this is the way the world is going to be.

You can't -- as the President said, you cannot predict what's going to happen a year from today, a month from today, in terms of prices. But he emphasized the prices are more likely to go up than go down. Given that, the handwriting is on the wall, so we're going to diversify our supply of transportation energy, we're going to make efficient vehicles, we become less dependent on oil for transportation. And that's where we get our transportation security. That's what makes it easier on the American pocketbook.

MR. CARNEY: Thank you, Secretary Chu. Thank you, Heather.

I'm here to take other questions on other issues if you have them. We can start back at the top here.

Jim.

Q Thanks, Jay. On Libya, yesterday the President said the question the administration wants to answer is whether the Qaddafi forces are sufficiently degraded so that opposition groups don't need to be armed. Judging from what's going on, on the ground today, those forces are pushing back the rebel forces. So I wonder what the White House assessment is right now, and what are the issues under consideration for not assisting the rebels with arms?

MR. CARNEY: I'm not sure I --

Q Well, if you're making a determination whether to supply them with arms or not, what are the arguments for not supplying them with arms?

MR. CARNEY: Well, I think the President said very clearly in one of his interviews yesterday evening that he's not taking anything off the table -- he's not ruling something in or ruling something out in terms of lethal assistance to the opposition.

With regard to the start of your question, we are very confident that the coalition that we are part of, that is responsible for both enforcing the no-fly zone and protecting Libyan civilians, will be capable of succeeding in its mission and pushing back Colonel Qaddafi's forces.

The broader question of assistance to the opposition is one that we're looking at very closely. We're coordinating with the opposition and exploring ways that we can assist them with non-lethal assistance, and we'll look at other possibilities of assistance as we move forward.

Working with our coalition partners in the Contact Group which was stood up in London yesterday with the Secretary of State, broad number of partners involved in that effort looking at the political future of Libya and working with the opposition. And we're examining all these issues as we work towards a Libya that has a government that answers to its people, that is chosen by its people, and is democratic and respects the rights of its citizens.

Q Given what is going on, on the ground, do you concede that he's to some degree reasserting his authority right now militarily?

MR. CARNEY: Well, I think there's a lot of ink that's been spilled on military operations in Libya, and the back-and-forth between Qaddafi's forces and the opposition. And all I can tell you is that we remain very confident in the capacity of the NATO coalition to push the Qaddafi forces back, to protect Libyan civilians, to fulfill its mission to enforce the no-fly zone.

And there are different developments each day, but the trend we think is clear and the pressure on Qaddafi will continue -- both on his forces through the military operation and all the ways that we've discussed, through the measures that the United States and its international partners have taken to isolate him, to put pressure on him, to pressure those around him to realize that their days are numbered, the days of this regime are numbered, and that they may want to reconsider where they stand.

Q Jay, we're hearing on the Hill, at least off the record, that things --

MR. CARNEY: Wait, you're reporting something off the record here at the briefing? (Laughter.)

Q -- that budget talks are ongoing and that they're making happier noises than they are at least behind the scenes.

So I wanted to get the White House's assessment of where the budget negotiation process is now.

MR. CARNEY: Well, as we have said consistently through the various reports -- both on the record and off -- about the progress of negotiations, we are engaged in the negotiations. We believe that there is ample reason to be optimistic, that common ground can be found as long as all sides roll up their sleeves and get to work and realize that you're not going to get -- no side is going to get everything it wants.

And the American people expect us to compromise. We have a system of government in place precisely for this reason, that sides with opposing views come together, work out a compromise, pass legislation that the American people believe should be passed and support. We think we can do that. We think that completing the funding for fiscal year 2011, a fiscal year that's nearly half over, should be a relatively easy task, and that the differences that separate us are not so great that we cannot find the common ground in a way that each side can feel that it accomplished something in getting it done.

Q Are you -- that's what you've thought from the beginning. Do you have any sense -- are you getting any feeling that maybe there's a bit more movement and willingness for a compromise now than there has been?

MR. CARNEY: Well, I don't want to characterize it. Obviously, these are ongoing negotiations. And as I said in answer to a question about an entirely different subject, the dynamic changes sometimes hour by hour, day by day. But we believe that there are -- there is reason to be confident that if everyone agrees that this position won't succeed, and this position won't succeed, and therefore, we have to find some middle ground here, and the President has demonstrated his willingness -- put skin in the game to show that he's willing to come more than halfway, the Democrats have shown that we're willing to do more to cut more as long as priorities that the President believes are vital to ensuring economic growth in the future and job creation in the future are protected -- that we can then get this done and move on to other big challenges that we face.

Q What about some of those other issues? I know the line has been drawn on health care reform, Planned Parenthood, greenhouse gas regulation. But what about things like the foreign service pay, an alternate F-35 jet engine? There's a lot of other things. Is the White House willing to move on those issues?

MR. CARNEY: Well, what we've said, Tricia, very clearly and our position has not changed, is that we believe that this is an appropriations process, a budget bill that's about cutting spending and funding the government, and that that should be the focus; and that this is not the place to wage sort of debates about ideological issues or politically charged issues; that that's a way to try to derail the process instead of trying to get the train into the station and get the work done.

I'm not going to negotiate line by line what's in that budget agreement, but our overall approach to this remains the same today as it was yesterday and last week.

Jake.

Q In terms of the question of whether or not the U.S. or the coalition should arm the rebels or more closely coordinate strikes with them, have military-to-military contact, such as their military is, could you walk us through what some of the considerations are, what the debate is playing out behind closed doors?

MR. CARNEY: Well, first of all, I would make clear that there is a kind of "what problem haven't you solved today" aspect to this, which is that in a remarkably short period of time -- as the President laid out in his speech and laid out in the interviews yesterday -- with American leadership, the international community acted, first to take dramatic, unprecedented measures through the United Nations and unilaterally in terms of non-lethal measures, sanctions to put pressure on the Qaddafi regime and isolate the Qaddafi regime, and then through U.N. Security Council 1973 to authorize all necessary means to protect the civilian population of Libya from Qaddafi's forces and to avert what was most likely an imminent humanitarian catastrophe.

We've had remarkable success in achieving the goals laid out. And so in terms of the assistance provided the opposition, obviously the measures we have taken has provided great assistance to the opposition. We prevented the invasion of and sacking of Benghazi and averted likely thousands of civilian deaths in the course --

Q But the President gave a much more positive assessment of what the condition was on the ground for the rebels on Monday than exists today because the situation on the ground has changed.

MR. CARNEY: And the situation -- as I said, we're not going to do a play-by-play of how does it look today, how does it look

tomorrow. What I said in the beginning is --

Q -- going on behind closed doors, and in the name of having --

MR. CARNEY: Well, who said anything was going on behind closed doors?

Q In the name of the -- of candor and explaining to the American people what's going on, what we're talking about doing. You guys have been criticized for a lot of quick action that you had to take because of the immediacy of --

MR. CARNEY: After we were --

Q -- because of the immediacy --

MR. CARNEY: After we were criticized for moving too slowly -- but, yes.

Q You can -- if you'd like me to get a roomful of straw men, I can do that. But if we can have that conversation for a second, and that is, what are the -- what's the debate? What are the issues? I'm not saying that one side is right or one side is wrong. I'm just saying, can you explain to the American people what are some of the considerations you guys are weighing?

MR. CARNEY: In terms of what? Arming --

Q In terms of more closely working with the rebels, whether it's arming them, whether it's more closely coordinating military strikes with them, having direct conversations with them. What are some of the competing issues?

MR. CARNEY: We have said and we continue to say this, that obviously through this very brief window of time we have worked very quickly to try to assess who the opposition is. As the President I believe said in one the interviews, that clearly not everyone in Libya who is opposed to Qaddafi is friendly to the United States. But we have been working with those leaders of the opposition who have demonstrated -- who have been vetted and who have demonstrated a commitment, at least initially, to the kinds of actions that we believe are essential, that adhere to the principles that we discussed that broadly apply as we look at the whole region and the unrest in the whole region, which is a commitment to the universal rights of their citizens, a commitment to free and fair elections, to a democratic transition, to tolerance and respect, like I said, for human rights.

So the Libyan National Council put out a statement yesterday from London, which we found to be encouraging in terms of their approach to this. And we are dealing quite closely with that opposition leadership as we make an assessment about what measures we can take going forward.

But I remind you that we're not going to rush into anything here without carefully considering what the policy decision is, what the outcome we desire is, and how we can help most effectively. And that's the same approach we took in making decisions about kinetic military action and supporting an international coalition through the United Nations, with support from the Arab League and other nations, to launch a military action. And that's the approach we'll take going forward.

Q Wait, just to follow up. What -- are you -- what are the concerns? Given that you have vetted many members of the opposition and found them, at least initially, to be on the right side of these humanitarian ideals that the President espouses and the United States stands for, what are the concerns that exist beyond what the NATO commander yesterday referred to some "flickers" of al Qaeda and Hezbollah ties among some of the rebels? What's the worry? Is it that the U.S. then has more ownership, or NATO has more ownership of this military action? Is it just the law of unintended consequences? Is it what the U.S. went through in Afghanistan?

MR. CARNEY: Well, let me -- I mean, we could -- I don't want to bore everyone here with a conversation that you and I can have. But I think these are all good questions, and I think that in some ways your questions are answers in that we carefully consider all those issues in a situation like this. And we -- the President is committed not just to quick action that can be effective to avert humanitarian catastrophe, but making the right choices for the long term, to make sure that we -- his eye is constantly on the long game here in terms of what's in the best interest of the American people and U.S. national security interests as we move our way through this historic period of upheaval and change in the Middle East.

I mean, there is a lot to be optimistic about in terms of the change that we're seeing -- the commitment that we're seeing from the grassroots and on the ground to the kind of democratic ideals that we obviously hold dear and believe are universal. But we don't want to do anything -- we want to make sure that the policy decisions we make are targeted and have the best possible chance of achieving the goal that we seek.

Dan.

Q On this issue of vetting, is this process continuing so that the U.S. gets a better understanding of what the leadership structure is of the opposition, who exactly it is that you're dealing with?

MR. CARNEY: Yes.

Q Can you explain --

MR. CARNEY: The process is continuing. I mean, just as you would expect it to continue. We have contacts with the opposition. The Contact Group that was stood up will obviously play a role in that. And it's not just the United States. This is an international coalition -- that we are working together with our international partners on all facets of this. This is a -- but simply to say that, yes, we are continuing to discuss -- have conversations with the opposition and to evaluate the opposition and to assess what the makeup of it is there in Libya.

Q And is the administration finding anything more than just the flickers of al Qaeda or other --

MR. CARNEY: Well, I'll point you to what Ambassador Rice said, which is that that answer to that is no. And what's important to remember about what we're seeing in Libya, like what we saw in other countries, is that the motivation, the ideals, the aspirations that are expressed in these popular movements are antithetical in many ways to the -- in all ways, really -- to the purposes and ideals set forth by terrorist organizations who use violence against innocent civilians to achieve their goals are quite the contrary to the kind of protests we've seen in Egypt and Tunisia and other countries. In Libya we're very much driven by the kind of ideals that are, like I said, antithetical to those who support violence to achieve their goals.

Q On Syria, the President said that the considerations that went into the U.S. involvement, engagement in Libya would not necessarily apply to Syria. So is there a strategy right now that's being put together to address what may happen in Syria?

MR. CARNEY: Well, we are obviously very closely watching the situation in Syria. We condemn the violence that has occurred there. We condemn the arrest of human rights activists, lawyers, journalists and others. We call on the Syrian government to engage in the political dialogue that we have called on other governments in the region to engage in -- to refrain from violence, to begin a process of reform.

The Syrian President, as you know, gave a speech earlier today in which he talked about moving quickly on the very reforms that he

promised in 2005. We urge him to do so. It's clearly what his people are demanding. But we're obviously paying very close attention to what's happening in Syria and all the things I just said about the violence and the actions taken by the government, and we urge political dialogue.

Q But is the administration putting together a series of considerations specific to Syria that if they aren't met the U.S. would be engaged, as they were in Libya?

MR. CARNEY: Well, I think what the President made clear last night was that he approaches these situations with a broad set of principles, but that he does not have a cookie-cutter approach to each country. Each country is different. What's happening in each country is different. The government -- governments can be different; the cultural situation can be different. Our interests are at the forefront of his mind as he approaches all these problems. So we do not have a set of responses that apply in reaction to a set of actions.

Q Right, I understand that. So are you putting together a "designer," then, response for Syria at this point, depending on what may happen there?

MR. CARNEY: Well, obviously we -- I mean, I guess I could answer, yes, we have people watching Syria and analyzing what's happening and obviously advising the President on the policy positions we're taking, the things we're saying publicly to the Syrian government about what we believe they should do and the President should do and engage in the political dialogue, and that will be constantly -- that will evolve as the situation evolves.

Chip.

Q On Syria, are any military options on the table or being considered at this point? I mean, I know you plan for all contingencies, and all through Egypt and Libya, from very early stages, you said all options are on the table. Are all options on the table in Syria?

MR. CARNEY: Well, Chip, I think we're not in a situation that is analogous to what we had in Libya, which is in this region is the place where obviously we did make the decision -- the President did make the decision to take action militarily. And that was a set of circumstances that in many ways are likely to be unique to Libya: the broad international coalition, the request from the Libyan opposition, the support of the Arab League, the imminent humanitarian catastrophe large-scale, the demonstration by Colonel Qaddafi of his willingness to kill his

own citizens on a large scale. All those factors came together to -- were weighed by the President as he made his decision, and they in many ways were unique to Libya.

Q So as far as you know with regard to Syria, there are no military options even in the early stages of consideration?

MR. CARNEY: That's certainly the case, yes. I'm not going to predict the future, and I think the President made clear that he's not in the business of predicting the future either, but he did make clear also last night that we do not have a singular approach to each situation.

Q Yes, in the CBS interview yesterday -- picking one at random -- the President used the expression "constant bombardment" at one point. He essentially argued that if Qaddafi wants the "constant bombardment" to stop, he'll have to step down. Isn't that crossing the line from using military action to protect civilians and using it to push him out?

MR. CARNEY: The constant bombardment is happening because of the threat of violence that Qaddafi's forces pose to the population of Libya. And as we've seen has been discussed about developments in the last 24-36 hours that it's not like they're laying down their arms. It's not like Qaddafi has gone into -- circled the wagons and gone into retreat. He is clearly still trying to wreak havoc on his country and putting his own citizens in great danger.

And so the mission of the U.N. Security Council resolution is to protect the civilian population, and the constant bombardment will continue as long as that mission remains.

Q Any plans in the works, or any consideration being given to a broader kind of -- as some people have said, a Cairo II speech, to try to put all this in context? Or is that impossible given that every situation is --

MR. CARNEY: No, look, obviously, the President spoke pretty expansively just the night before last about Libya, but also within the context of how he makes decisions and in terms of use of force and why he made the decision he made, why America's interests were served by this action. And he also put it in the context of the Arab Awakening or Arab Spring that we've been witnessing the last several months.

I certainly would not rule out the possibility that he'll want to address this issue sometime again in the future. I don't have -- I'm not promising that, but I wouldn't rule it out.

Wendell.

Q Since the President, Jay, hasn't ruled out providing weapons to the Libyan opposition, does he believe he can do that without also providing U.S. trainers, or that providing U.S. trainers wouldn't break his promise not to put boots on the ground there?

MR. CARNEY: The President made very clear that there will not be U.S. troops -- no boots on the ground in Libya.

Q So he believes you could possibly provide weapons without sending U.S. trainers?

MR. CARNEY: I don't see why not.

Q And does he -- does he feel that he could provide U.S. weapons and make sure none of them fall into the hands of the flickers of al Qaeda that there may be?

MR. CARNEY: Well, Wendell, you're leading me down the road of things that may happen if a decision is made that hasn't been made.

Q What I'm actually trying to do is find out whether some things the President has said and some realities -- like weapons are stolen and sold -- actually preclude the U.S. providing --

MR. CARNEY: I would simply say that there are a lot of factors that go into a decision like that, and some of the factors would be probably related to the questions that you're asking. Obviously, we would not make a decision like that if we did not think that it was the smart way to go, and that the policy goals it would serve were achievable and outweighed the risks involved. That's how we approach all these issues.

Q For a couple of days, I've been asking you if we're at war in Libya, and I don't think I've gotten an answer yet. I'd like to try again. Is it a war?

MR. CARNEY: Look, it is a -- obviously, it's military action. Did we invade Libya? No. Are we -- do we have U.S. troops on the ground in Libya? No. You can call it -- it's been a false argument that some media outlets have tried to engage about the nomenclature here. It is the use of military force in concert with our allies. Military force is inherently a risky proposition, puts men and women in harm's way, and military -- but what it is not is in the context that we live in today, anything like a situation where you had I believe at one point 170,000-plus U.S. troops on the ground in Iraq; where you have

100,000 U.S. troops and 140,000 ISAF troops overall in Afghanistan in a prolonged engagement, a prolonged war. That is not what is happening in Libya.

The President made very clear how this is not at all like that. You can call it what you want, but it's not analogous.

Q Jay, following up on the question on the budget, is there still a veto threat? Will the President veto anything with a rider -- anything that comes to his desk with a rider on it? Because that was the position three weeks ago.

MR. CARNEY: No, the position -- let me be clear. The position was that we do not believe that this is the proper place to insert ideologically driven agenda items or politically driven agenda items, that those debates can happen outside this process. The appropriations process is a Byzantine and complex one. And I don't want to get into deciding what line can or cannot --

Q -- you didn't want riders, that was a veto, that you weren't going to accept anything with a rider.

MR. CARNEY: Again, you're trying to define -- a rider could be something that declares apple pie the favorite dessert in America. The issue here is the kind of politically charged, contentious issue that can derail this train that needs to get to the station so that the government is funded, people's priorities are met --

Q So there's a scenario where he signs something that has some riders in it as long as it's not NPR and Planned Parenthood?

MR. CARNEY: Look, I'm not going to negotiate the agenda items here. His position is clear about what shouldn't be in this. His position is clear about his willingness to cut spending significantly and predict --

Q -- his veto position -- is there any veto position on that?

MR. CARNEY: The veto position the President issued was in the statement of administration policy related to HR1 and the President's priorities, and that stands. But I'm not going to get into negotiating specifics beyond telling you that the very issues that could derail this process are the ones that should not be in it.

Q How would you describe this compromise that has been written by Jack Lew, from what I understand, of the additional \$20 billion in cuts that's on the table for Republicans to

accept? Is that a beginning? Is that take or leave it? Would you just -- this new plan --

MR. CARNEY: Well, I certainly don't think we're in the beginning of this process.

Q No, I understand that, but is that --

MR. CARNEY: And I would simply say without addressing speculation --

Q Is that simply a floor? That position, the \$20 billion?

MR. CARNEY: -- in the media about what proposals are out there and who authored them. I would say that negotiate --

Q There's not a Jack Lew written proposal --

MR. CARNEY: Again, I'm just not going to address -- I'm not going to address speculation about who's drafted proposals, what the numbers attached to them are, except that we believe there is an easily achievable compromise if both sides, all sides are willing --

Q -- that negotiating --

MR. CARNEY: Look, I think that we're negotiating, we're discussing with leaders on the Hill regularly what the contours of an agreement would look like. And I think -- I can tell you that as part of that engagement -- because there seems to be occasionally questions about how engaged we are -- the Vice President spoke with Speaker Boehner yesterday; he spoke with the Senate Majority Leader yesterday; and obviously senior White House staff have been engaged in negotiations.

But I'm not going to acknowledge -- I mean, part of getting a deal --

Q The plan exists or does not exist?

MR. CARNEY: Well, I think that there are ideas on the table about how we get from here to there, and that good-faith negotiations can get us from here to there.

Q You've said a couple of times today and in previous sessions that the Qaddafi regime's days are numbered. What evidence do we actually have that that is true?

MR. CARNEY: He's lost legitimacy to rule in the eyes of his

people; that he controls only a relatively small portion of his country; that he obviously has lost a great deal of military capacity, which is one of the means by which he was able to rule as a dictator and autocrat for all these many decades. I think his days are numbered. And I think that the regime's days are numbered. And we are participating with our international partners in a number of measures designed to put pressure on Qaddafi that will hopefully convince him of what the rest of us know is true.

Q But isn't it a bit of an overstatement, considering the fact that we keep seeing this seesaw battle across the desert? It's clear that in certain places, Tripoli and Sirte, he has significant support not only from military elements but also from the civilian population. Isn't it overstating it to say that his days are numbered? Couldn't those days be quite a few?

MR. CARNEY: I think that, again, you can take a day-by-day breakdown and say he's up, he's down. The trend, we believe, since the coalition engaged militarily is clearly against him. And what is clear is that his days as leader of Libya are numbered and probably over, as Libya writ large. And we can't predict, we don't have a crystal ball, we don't know how long Qaddafi will hold on, but we believe we can work with our partners, consult with the opposition and give them the kind of advice and assistance, non-lethal or otherwise, that can help them move this process and create a situation where the Libyan people, after a very long winter, will have a chance to choose their own leaders and decide their own future.

Q But by saying "writ large," you do concede to some extent that he could control a substantial or reduced portion of territory --

MR. CARNEY: I concede that we cannot predict to you the day that Qaddafi will leave the country or leave power.

Ann.

Q Would the President seek an approval -- a resolution of approval from Congress if he decides to give any kind of armaments or military equipment to the opposition?

MR. CARNEY: That's a double hypothetical, so I can't -- I just don't know.

Q He himself said in three interviews yesterday that that kind of option is still on the table; he hasn't ruled it out. He did not go to Congress asking specific --

MR. CARNEY: And there's great historical precedent for not doing that.

Q I'm asking -- and maybe your answer is no -- he would not go to Congress --

MR. CARNEY: It's not. It's just a hypothetical that I can't entertain because the world as it is is vexing enough.

Q Does he believe he needs that authority? That's not a hypothetical?

MR. CARNEY: Again --

Q It's not a hypothetical.

MR. CARNEY: -- we don't even have the circumstance before us around which to answer that question. So I'm not going to answer it as a hypothetical.

Mark --

Q Can I ask a budget --

MR. CARNEY: Yes, I'll get to you, Jared.

Q General Electric made \$5 billion from its U.S. entities, \$14 billion worldwide; seems to have paid little or no U.S. corporate taxes, depending on who you believe. They're right now asking 15,000 unionized members of their workforce to accept significant cutbacks. They've cut their workforce in the U.S. by a fifth since 2002. Jeff Immelt is obviously the chairman -- or the head of the President's Council on Competitiveness and Jobs. Does the White House associate itself with that type of corporate stewardship in the sense that Immelt is its leading avatar or representative to the corporate world?

MR. CARNEY: Well, I would say that membership on the Jobs Council, as the President made clear, is not decided by agreement on every issue. It is not -- the whole point of the Jobs Council is to get outside advice, to help the President -- to generate ideas for the President to consider ways by which he can increase American competitiveness and create jobs.

In terms of the tax issue that you raised at the beginning, we had a long exchange about this the other day and I discussed at length and would ask you read that instead of having to hear me discuss it again about the President's commitment to corporate tax reform.

Q Jay, just two questions?

MR. CARNEY: Are you working for the Post now? I can't believe it. You moved up to the Washington Post.

Q Do we want to check everyone's seat?

MR. CARNEY: No, go ahead, Lester. (Laughter.)

Q Thank you.

MR. CARNEY: I'll take one.

Q I think you'll probably want to take the follow-up. The Democrat governor of the President's home state of Illinois, Pat Quinn, signed a bill abolishing the death penalty because, he said, "I am deeply concerned that an innocent may be executed." Does the President still disagree with this?

MR. CARNEY: Again, I haven't heard him discuss this. I would -- his position is what it is.

Q Page 57 of "The Audacity of Hope."

MR. CARNEY: I have no announcement to make about a change in any position of the President's on this issue.

Q All right, he has not changed. What is the President's opinion of the mayor-elect of Chicago's agreement with Governor Quinn and with previous governor Republican George Ryan, who commuted 167 death sentences in Illinois?

MR. CARNEY: I don't have an answer for you on that.

Q You just rather --

MR. CARNEY: I haven't discussed the President's opinion of the mayor-elect's opinion of a former governor's position --

Q Well, he likes the mayor-elect, doesn't he?

MR. CARNEY: He does, indeed, yes.

Q Jay, can you talk a little bit about --

MR. CARNEY: Sorry, Jared -- peripheral vision thing.

Q -- U.S. plans or plans with our allies in finding a place for Qaddafi if he decides -- if and when he decides to step down?

MR. CARNEY: I think we're getting ahead of ourselves. I believe the Secretary of State discussed this, maybe the President did as well in his interviews about -- some things that were -- indications we're hearing from around Qaddafi of interest being expressed through different channels about what the future may hold, but we're a long way from engaging in that discussion. And it's probably not one we'd do in public from here.

Q We're tracking those, or chasing them down if we hear those reports, though. Is that a fair conclusion?

MR. CARNEY: I think it's a fair assumption.

Jared.

Q Two basic questions. One is, what is the White House stance on the Republican's government shutdown prevention act proposal?

MR. CARNEY: I don't have a detailed response except to say that we believe that instead of passing sort of nice-sounding legislation that doesn't accomplish what can be accomplished at the negotiating table, we ought to roll up our sleeves and accomplish what can be easily be done if each side is willing to move off its starting position, make a few compromises, accept the fact that they can't get everything they want, to reduce spending, protect but not do things that would harm our economic recovery, and then move on, get this done.

Q Thanks, Jay.

Q A quick follow-up is on -- sorry about that -- on Libya. Why don't we have a better understanding of the opposition? That's something I haven't understood is why.

MR. CARNEY: Well, I would simply say that this is a development that's barely a month old and it's not that we don't have -- we have an understanding of the opposition and we're deepening it and developing it further.

Thanks.

Q Thank you.

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Subject Fw: ARB Statement on Renewable Fuel Standard

Mary Nichols' out of Calif statement on RFS2 below -- simply for your information.

From: "Kay, Leo@ARB" [lkay@arb.ca.gov]**Sent:** 02/03/2010 04:19 PM PST**To:** Seth Oster**Subject:** ARB Statement on Renewable Fuel Standard

Seth,

FYI, this is what we're sharing with reporters asking for our comment:

In response to the announcement made today by EPA regarding the Renewable Fuels Standard, Mary D. Nichols, chairman of the California Air Resources Board, made the following statement:

"The California Air Resources Board applauds the EPA for its efforts to conduct a thorough assessment of the climate-related impacts of renewable fuels. It is notable that both the EPA, and CARB have determined that sound science compels the consideration of land use change in any lifecycle analysis of the greenhouse gas impacts of fuels. While our regulatory programs differ somewhat, we look forward to working closely with the EPA and with the National Academy of Sciences to continue evaluating the lifecycle analysis of fuels. CARB fully stands behind the President's call for a comprehensive energy and climate bill that will include biofuels and other next-generation alternative fuels to help lower greenhouse gas emissions and drive the development of clean energy jobs and technologies."

Hope all's well with you.

--Leo

Seth Oster/DC/USEPA/US

09/01/2011 12:47 PM

To "Lisa Jackson", "Bob Perciasepe", Scott Fulton, Bob Sussman, Gina McCarthy, Cynthia Giles, "Joseph Goffman", Avi Garbow

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Subject Texas Tribune Story on ERCOT Report

The Texas Tribune

"Risks of Outages" Under EPA Rule, Texas Report Warns

September 1, 2011

By Kate Galbraith

Steam rises from the stacks at the Martin Lake Coal-Fired Power Plant in Tatum, TX March 30, 2011. In a report released this morning, the Texas electric grid operator warned of "risks of outages for Texas power users" if a federal pollution rule takes effect as scheduled in January.

The "cross-state air pollution rule," finalized this summer by the Environmental Protection Agency, orders more than half the states, including Texas, to reduce their emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides. It will force some Texas coal-plant operators to reduce their capacity, switch to lower-sulfur types of coal or make other changes to meet the requirements.

The grid operator laid out three scenarios for meeting the requirements. All three anticipate reduction of power plant capacity of 1,200 to 1,400 megawatts during the summer months, and larger reductions in the spring and (especially) in the fall. The grid's total capacity is 84,400 megawatts.

Grid representatives, appearing before the Public Utility Commission this morning, noted that the grid had already been severely strained over the past few months due to the extreme heat. "At least two" rotating outages would have occurred in August had the pollution rule been in place, according to Warren Lasher of the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), the grid operator.

Donna Nelson, one of the two Public Utility commissioners, said that she was working with Bryan Shaw, the chairman of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, to "get a meeting with the EPA administrator or her designee" to discuss the implications for Texas.

During a July visit to Austin, the EPA Administrator, Lisa Jackson, told the Tribune that she was "happy to talk to ERCOT and we're going to reach out to them to understand their concerns."

"This is not an onerous rule," Jackson added.

The Texas Railroad Commission wrote to the state attorney general last month to ask that Texas take legal action against the rule.

The attorney general is "deeply concerned" about the rule, said a spokeswoman, Lauren Bean, though her office would not comment on legal strategy.

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Subject Fw: OVERNIGHT ENERGY: EPA seeks to quell climate concerns as greens fret

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OVERNIGHT ENERGY: EPA seeks to quell climate concerns as greens fret

By Ben Geman and Andrew Restuccia - 09/15/11 06:42 PM ET

State of play: The Environmental Protection Agency sought to quell concerns Thursday that climate change regulations will face the same fate as an ozone rule that the White House [scuttled this month](#).

EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson said Wednesday that the agency would [miss an end-of-September deadline](#) to propose greenhouse gas standards for power plants, but insisted the rules are still on track.

She [told San Francisco radio station KQED](#) on Thursday that the agency will “absolutely” continue moving ahead with the standards. EPA officials say they will announce a new schedule shortly.

EPA is seeking to rebut the notion that the delay stems from White House or other influences outside the agency. Jackson told KQED that the delay was “not at all” a political decision, while spokeswoman Betsaida Alcantara told E2 that “we are very much committed to proposing the standards.”

The delay comes as greenhouse gas regulations and other EPA rules are under attack from Capitol Hill Republicans, who have called them “job killers.”

The rules were scheduled to be proposed by Sept. 30 under a legal agreement between EPA and a group of environmentalists and states that had sued the agency under former President George W. Bush, who opposed climate regulations.

Environmental groups issued a flurry of statements Thursday decrying the new delay.

“Every day we delay cleaning up our nation’s power plants fattens polluter profits and shrinks our chances of

tackling the climate crisis. Today's decision suggests that when it comes to uncontrolled carbon pollution, the administration appears content with business as usual," said Joe Mendelson, the policy director for climate and energy programs at the National Wildlife Federation.

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Subject Fw: The Hill: Top House Republicans ready bill to thwart EPA climate rules

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Top House Republicans ready bill to thwart EPA climate rules

By Ben Geman - 03/01/10 02:43 PM ET

Senior House Republicans including Minority Leader John Boehner (R-Ohio) plan to roll out a resolution Tuesday that would nullify EPA's authority to regulate greenhouse gas emissions.

Their plan mirrors a Senate effort led by Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) – which may come to the floor this month – to overturn EPA's "endangerment finding" that greenhouse gases are a threat to humans.

The finding provides the legal underpinning for planned EPA rules that limit emissions from various industry sectors.

Boehner plans to hold a press conference Tuesday about the plan with members including Republican Conference Chairman Mike Pence (R-Ind.) and Energy and Commerce Committee Ranking Member Joe Barton (R-Texas).

The resolution currently has 79 cosponsors, according to Boehner's office. It will be a so-called resolution of disapproval under the Congressional Review Act, a mid-1990s law that allows Congress to overturn federal rules but has been used successfully just once.

The House GOP plan follows a resolution to block EPA [filed last week by two senior House Democrats from conservative states](#) – Ike Skelton (D-Mo.) and Collin Peterson (D-Minn.).

The White House is opposing the efforts, [alleging recently that they would harm Detroit automakers](#), even though opponents of EPA rules say they want to blunt the economic effects of regulating stationary sources like power plants and refineries.

Murkowski's plan – which has 40 cosponsors including three Democrats – could not be filibustered but faces big hurdles clearing Congress and a likely White House veto. But it would nonetheless be a major political setback for advocates of emissions curbs if the plan gained majority support in either chamber.

Sen. Jay Rockefeller (D-W.Va.) is planning legislation that would temporarily block EPA's stationary source rules without nullifying EPA's power entirely.

An industry lobbyist tracking the plan said Rockefeller's bill is expected to call a two-year timeout on the planned EPA rules, which the agency recently said it would [implement more slowly](#) than had originally been expected.

The lobbyist predicts that Rockefeller's plan could draw centrist Democrats away from backing Murkowski's more sweeping approach.

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04/13/2011 04:29 PM

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Subject NY Times Story I Mentioned

NEW YORK. TIMES

EPA Budget Deal Slams State, Regional Programs

By GABRIEL NELSON of Greenwire
4/13/11

The spending deal brokered last week by President Obama and Congress to avert a government shutdown would balance most its \$1.6 billion in cuts to U.S. EPA's budget on the backs of state regulators and local environmental projects, according to details of the bill that were released by appropriators early this morning.

Three-quarters of the cuts, totaling \$1.19 billion, would come from State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG), which mainly fund water infrastructure upgrades and state plans to comply with new federal rules. That includes a \$997 million cut from a pair of revolving funds that finance local drinking water projects and efforts to clean up polluted bodies of water.

With total funding of \$3.77 billion, the STAG programs make up less than half of EPA's \$8.7 billion budget under the pact. Though the president proposed a similar cut to the revolving funds in his fiscal 2012 budget request, his pact with Republicans would now pull funding for the water infrastructure projects a year early.

The budget deal also includes a \$191 million cut to regional programs, such as Obama's own Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. Those programs would now get almost exactly as much as Obama requested this year for projects in the Great Lakes, as well as the Chesapeake Bay and Puget Sound.

Those cuts, along with a plan to rescind \$140 million of unobligated grants from the STAG program, will be a blow to state agencies that are limping due to years of state budget cutbacks, said Bill Becker, executive director of the National Association of Clean Air Agencies. The spending deal also rejects the administration's request for an extra \$82 million in grants to help states implement new air pollution rules from EPA, and cuts another \$10 million on top of that, he said.

Becker said it's "disconcerting" that many lawmakers want to shrink the federal government, but they are doing it by taking most of the money away from state and local agencies. For example, the spending deal zeroes out a \$20 million program meant to cut air pollution in smog-choked areas of Southern California.

It isn't fair that "Congress asks the states to carry out the will of these environmental statutes, and then savages the funding required to do these tasks," Becker said. "We're trying to do the job that Congress asked us to do."

While the cuts to EPA grant programs were mostly in line with the president's request for next year, the deal goes after the agency's own efforts by taking money from EPA scientists and the offices that design the agency's regulations. Scientific programs would get \$815 million, down \$42 million from fiscal 2010, and environmental programs would end up with \$2.76 billion, down 8.8 percent from last year.

That was a key demand for Republicans such as House Appropriations Chairman Hal Rogers of Kentucky, who framed the spending deal today as a way to "rein in out-of-control federal bureaucracies."

Climate change work by EPA and the Interior Department, which were House Republicans' main target on the environmental front, would end up with \$49 million less than last year, leaving them \$116 million below the president's request for fiscal 2011. But the programs would be allowed to continue, since the House-approved "riders" to stop greenhouse gas regulations and reporting rules were stripped from the bill.

The compromise also takes a slice out of EPA's budget for its hazardous waste cleanup program. The legislation would chop roughly \$23 million from the Superfund budget, reducing it from \$1.31 billion to \$1.28 billion for the remainder of the fiscal year.

The cut isn't likely to significantly affect the day-to-day operation of the program, which is charged with the cleanup of nearly 1,300 hazardous waste sites across the country. And it wasn't much to give away for President Obama, who asked for \$1.24 billion for the program in his budget request for fiscal 2012 (Greenwire, Feb. 14).

Superfund's annual budget has typically ranged between \$1 billion and \$1.3 billion since it was created in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980.

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Subject Fw: AP: EPA Reports Decrease in Toxic Chemical Pollution

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EPA Reports Decrease in Toxic Chemical Pollution

EPA: Struggling economy helps send less chemicals into nation's environment

By DINA CAPPIELLO**The Associated Press**

WASHINGTON

When it comes to pollution, the economic downturn could have an upside.

The Environmental Protection Agency on Tuesday reported that toxic chemical pollution from the nation's industrial plants, mines and factories declined by 6 percent in 2008, the second year in a row that companies have reported releasing less pollution.

Companies put 3.86 billion pounds of toxic chemicals into the air and water and onto land in 2008, down from 4.1 billion pounds in 2007 and 4.26 billion pounds in 2006.

Part of the explanation for the decrease is that fewer facilities reported to the EPA's annual database — known as the Toxics Release Inventory, or TRI. The decline, the EPA said, could be the result of the economic downturn.

As companies shut down or reduce manufacturing, the amount of pollution also dips.

The EPA said the economy's toll on pollution would likely be even more visible in 2009 numbers.

Air pollution decreased the most in 2008, by about 14 percent. Pollution entering lakes, rivers and streams actually increased, an uptick that the EPA said was caused in part by a large coal ash spill at a Tennessee Valley Authority power plant in Kingston, Tenn.

Other pollution indicators have also shown the link between a faltering economy and less pollution. The Energy Information Administration earlier this month predicted that emissions of the gases blamed for global warming would decline by 6.1 percent in 2009 because of a drop in

energy consumption and power plants burning less coal.

The Toxics Release Inventory is released annually by the EPA and includes information on 650 chemicals from more than 21,000 facilities.

Seth Oster/DC/USEPA/US

08/06/2010 12:12 PM

To "Lisa Jackson"

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Subject Spks Series Pre-Brunch and Post Spkrs Series Mtg

Administrator -- Juliet will be at the brunch, per your invitation. She will also stay after, per our invitation, to have a background conversation over lunch with you on climate issues (David and I will participate). The latter piece would mean you would miss the weekly senior staff meeting.

Seth Oster/DC/USEPA/US

To "Lisa Jackson"

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Subject Fw: TALKING POINTS State of the Union

For tonight.....

Michael Moats

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From: Michael Moats**Sent:** 01/27/2010 02:43 PM EST**To:** moats.michael@epa.gov**Subject:** TALKING POINTS State of the Union

Talking points on tonight's speech.

SOTU Talking Points*Rescue, Rebuild, Restore - A New Foundation for Prosperity*

- The President is going to talk directly to the American people about restoring security for middle class families after a lost decade of declining wages, eroding retirement security and escalating health care and tuition costs.

- The President will talk to the American people about steps we need to take to build on the work we did this past year to bring the economy back from the brink of a depression. While the worst of the economic crisis has passed, for too many American families and businesses the wreckage remains.

- o He'll call on Congress to pass a jobs bill to jumpstart private sector job creation with:

- § Investments in small businesses,
- § Investments in Green Jobs and clean energy;
- § Investments in road, bridge, rail and port projects; and
- § Policies to spur more exports of American manufactured products.

- The President will talk to the American people about meeting the challenges that have hurt middle class families, and those who aspire to it, by building a New Foundation of prosperity for American families and businesses.

- o He'll call on Congress to pass Education reforms that transform families and strengthen the country;
- o He'll call on Congress to pass meaningful Financial Reforms that hold Wall Street accountable, makes sure no bank is ever too big to fail and provide clear rules of the road that give the American consumer the clear information they need to make financial decisions;
- o He'll call on Congress to enact Energy Reform that creates the jobs of tomorrow, increases our energy independence and reduces pollution;
- o He'll call on Congress to enact fiscal reform that recognizes that the deficits and debt exploded the last decade before the President took office. He'll propose measures to deal with the costs of bringing the economy back from the

brink of a depression and call on Congress to engage in the bi-partisan work required to address the debt that was accumulated in the last decade.

- o He'll ask Congress, Democrats and Republicans, to continue the work on health reform. He'll remind all members that premiums will continue to rise; businesses will continue to drop coverage and more families will deal with insurance company abuses if we don't act.

- The President will also speak directly to the American people and to Congress about changing the way business is done in Washington so that the American people know that their interests always come before the special interests. He'll call for more transparency so that the public is always aware of what's being done on their behalf.

- The President will talk about his efforts to better protect the American people. After inheriting two wars and a growing terrorist threat, he will review the steps that he has taken to increase the pressure on al Qaeda, and refocus on Afghanistan. He will discuss the progress made in carrying out his plan to end the war in Iraq. And he will announce a new plan to protect the American people from bio-terrorism and infectious disease.

- The President has renewed America's alliances and standing in the world. He will preview the progress that we are poised to make as we near completion of a landmark arms control agreement with Russia, and prepare to host a Nuclear Security Summit in April that will rally the world behind the goal of securing all loose nuclear materials. He will also speak about America's leadership on issues like global economic growth, climate change, and human rights.

- For over a decade, American families have been working harder and falling further behind. As college become less affordable; retirement savings become less secure; home values plummet; health insurance premiums and co-pays eat into wages and the cost of living explodes, the standard of living for American families continues to decline.

- While they meet their responsibilities and play by the rules, they have seen the special interests and those with political access in Washington get farther and farther ahead. Rather than seeing policies that encourage responsible behavior, American families have too often seen Washington reward irresponsibility while passing on debt to future generations.

- The President will talk about the need for change that the American people want and expect. For a decade, American families and businesses have experienced an erosion of the economic security that has been at the core of our prosperity. Tonight the President will lay out his vision on what steps are required to restore that security and how Washington should do its work in a way that reflects the best of our people and our democracy.

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GOP plans strategy to stymie EPA

By: Robin Bravender

December 1, 2010 04:56 AM EST

Get ready for a string of up-or-down votes on the Obama administration's environmental record.

Republicans plotting their offensive against the Obama administration's environmental policies are eyeing a powerful weapon that would force the Democratic-held Senate to schedule votes on nullifying controversial regulations.

GOP lawmakers say they want to upend a host of Environmental Protection Agency rules by whatever means possible, including the Congressional Review Act, a rarely used legislative tool that allows Congress to essentially veto recently completed agency regulations.

The law lets sponsors skip Senate filibusters, meaning Republicans don't have to negotiate with Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) for a floor vote or secure the tricky 60 votes typically needed to do anything in the Senate.

The House doesn't have the same expedited procedures, but it's assumed the GOP majority would have little trouble mustering the votes needed to pass disapproval resolutions.

A spate of contentious EPA rules that are soon to be finalized could be prime targets, including the national air quality standard for ozone, toxic emission limits for industrial boilers and a pending decision about whether to regulate coal ash as hazardous waste.

"We're not going to let EPA regulate what they've been unable to legislate. And if I'm chairman, we're going to have a very aggressive, proactive schedule," Rep. Fred Upton (R-Mich.), the likely incoming chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee, told POLITICO.

Upton said specific legislative plans won't be made for the Energy and Commerce Committee until the fight for the chairmanship shakes out. Rep. Joe Barton of Texas and several other Republicans are challenging Upton for the slot.

Once the chairmanship is nailed down, "then we will launch a full offensive," Upton said. As far as specific options, he said, "the Congressional Review Act certainly is a good one."

But the law comes with complications. For one thing, direct attacks against the administration's policies would certainly face White House opposition and difficulty getting the two-thirds vote needed in both chambers to overcome a veto. And it might look bad politically to be seen as simply undoing

environmental regulations with no replacement or direction.

"It's kind of a blunt instrument," a former House Republican aide said of the review act. "Whatever it is you're doing, you're knocking it out of the box. That doesn't necessarily get you the right policy result."

And Republican efforts to demonize EPA could come back to bite them, a former Senate Democratic staffer said. "The risk in that strategy is being seen as politically motivated even though public health is at stake."

The review act has been successful only once since it was enacted in 1996. In 2001, the Republican-controlled Congress voted to overturn the Clinton administration's ergonomics rule. The resolution was signed by incoming President George W. Bush.

Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) attempted to use it in June to block EPA climate regulations, but her resolution narrowly failed to clear the chamber by a vote of 47-53 after a furious lobbying effort from the White House and Democratic leadership. Several moderate Democrats were placated by a promise to hold a vote on a two-year delay of the EPA climate rules, which has yet to be scheduled.

Matt Dempsey, spokesman for Sen. Jim Inhofe (R-Okla.), predicted several Democrats would join the GOP in voting to roll back energy regulations. "Democrats received the message loud and clear about the Obama agenda" after this fall's election, he said. "I wouldn't be surprised at all if Democrats joined Republicans in stopping some of these regulations coming down the pike."

Jeff Holmstead, an industry attorney and former EPA air chief during the George W. Bush administration, said the mere threat of a congressional vote could prod EPA to issue less aggressive rules.

"In some ways, the threat of the CRA may be just as useful as actually doing a resolution of disapproval because if the White House believes that a rule is controversial enough or may be controversial enough, they certainly don't want to be in a position to have to veto," he said. "I think they are certainly and legitimately concerned about being viewed as anti-industry and anti-business."

Republicans are also considering efforts to force the administration to win congressional approval before major rules are final.

Upton suggested such an approach in an October Washington Times op-ed. "Federal government agencies have overstepped their authority and have not been held accountable for their aggressive actions," he wrote. "No significant regulation should take effect until Congress has voted to approve it and the president has had an opportunity to approve or veto congressional action."

One option being floated is to reform the Congressional Review Act to force lawmakers to endorse major rules before they take effect, said industry attorney Scott Segal. "In essence, for some smaller category of regulations, the burden of proof would be reversed relative to the existing CRA," he said.

"Such a proposal has analogs in certain states and would be consistent with several of the 2010 campaign themes: smaller government, economic recovery and forcing elected officials to take responsibility for the actions of government," Segal said.

While a direct assault on environmental regulations might not work, Republicans and EPA foes have other weapons at their disposal. A popular strategy in both chambers next year will be to choke off funding for contentious EPA regulations, including efforts to address global warming.

"You're going to see House Republicans aggressively oppose efforts through the front door or the back door to implement a national energy tax, which continues to be the president's approach to energy," Rep. Mike Pence (R-Ind.), former House GOP Conference chairman and a possible 2012 presidential candidate, told POLITICO.

"We think that's the wrong approach, and you'll see House Republicans use the power of the purse to prevent any regulatory effort to implement that," Pence added.

During this year's markup of EPA's annual spending bill, House members defeated several amendments aimed at limiting EPA's authority to regulate greenhouse gas emissions.

"I suspect we will have more success with that type of thing in this coming session," said Idaho Rep. Mike Simpson, the top Republican on the House subcommittee that oversees EPA's spending. "There's obviously concern about EPA regulating greenhouse gases."

Rep. Jerry Lewis (R-Calif.), seeking to reclaim the Appropriations Committee chairmanship, said this week the panel "will be exercising its prerogative to withhold funding for prospective EPA regulations and defund through the rescissions process many of those already on the books."

Other "must-pass" bills could be used to attack EPA, as well.

"The most dangerous, or draconian, scenario would be one in which a rider prohibiting any EPA spending on climate issues is attached to, say, DOD appropriations," the former Democratic aide said, because the administration would face a tough political choice over whether to veto the massive spending bill.

EPA officials and greens have warned that the impending campaigns against EPA rules pose a threat to public health, and the White House has consistently opposed efforts to hamstring the agency.

"This comes back to public health. It's extremely important for EPA to base its decisions on the best science, to be in concert with the law," EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson said Monday during a panel discussion.

"The environment is not a partisan issue," she added. "It shouldn't be."

And the environmental community plans to fight "tooth and nail" against any efforts to stymie EPA regulations, said Joe Mendelson, director of global warming policy at the National Wildlife Federation. "In the end, we don't think they will prevail, because when faced with a vote between more pollution [and] protecting public health, public health will win."

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT EARTH DAY RECEPTION

Rose Garden

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THE PRESIDENT: Hello, everybody! (Applause.) How are you? This is a good-looking crowd. (Laughter.) Thank you so much, everybody, for coming.

Today we celebrate 40 years of Earth Day. Now, obviously Earth has been around longer than that. (Laughter.) But we have been celebrating Earth Day for 40 years -- which was a bright moment in our nation's history and a milestone in the ongoing fight to protect our environment.

Many of you know the history. In 1970, a senator from Wisconsin named Gaylord Nelson -- (applause) -- hired a young graduate student named Dennis Hayes -- who is with us today. Where's Dennis? There he is. (Applause.) He still looks like a young graduate student. (Laughter.) And so Dennis helped to coordinate the first Earth Day. And together, they raised their voices and called on every American to take action on behalf of our environment.

And in the four decades since, millions of Americans have heeded that call and joined together to protect the planet. And we've made immense progress since that day -- from the landmark legislation of the 1970s, the Clean Air and the Clean Water Act, to the conservation of America's precious landscapes.

I know that many of you have played an important role at one stage or another in these victories, and their impact can be felt today and will be felt tomorrow. And as a parent, I'm grateful for the good fight that so many of you have fought because it means that I'm going to be able to pass on to Malia and Sasha and maybe some grandchildren down the line this incredible bounty not only of the United States of America, but the world as a whole.

And along the way, Earth Day has become much more than a date on the calendar. It's come to represent the simple truth that with each challenge comes the opportunity to make the world a better place.

So since taking office, we have seized that opportunity. With your help, we've made a historic investment in clean energy that will not only create the jobs of tomorrow, but will also lay the foundation for long-term economic growth. We've continued to invest in innovators and entrepreneurs who want to unleash the next wave of clean energy. We've strengthened our investment in our most precious resources -- the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the parks and public spaces that we enjoy.

And together, we've also renewed our commitment to passing a comprehensive energy and climate bill that will safeguard our planet, and spur innovation and help us to compete in the 21st century. (Applause.)

So looking out into the Rose Garden today, we see a lot of people who will help us achieve these goals: the business owners who know that protecting our environment is good for business; the members of Congress who are helping to carry us along in the House and the Senate; the members of my Green Cabinet who are helping to shape the policies that we're fighting for; and the environmental leaders who are on the ground fighting each and every day because they understand what's at stake.

So together, you represent what I believe is most inspiring about Earth Day, and that is the belief that each of us individually, from different backgrounds and different walks of life, have the capacity to make an enormous difference.

I think we all understand that the task ahead is daunting; that the work ahead will not be easy and it's not going to happen overnight. It's going to take your leadership. It's going to

take all of your ideas. And it will take all of us coming together in the spirit of Earth Day -- not only on Earth Day but every day -- to make the dream of a clean energy economy and a clean world a reality. I'm confident, though, that we can do it. And I want to thank all of you for your support, your counsel, your occasional grumbling -- (laughter) -- and your dedication, because without you we couldn't accomplish everything that needs to be accomplished.

So thank you very much, everybody. Enjoy the Rose Garden. Thank you. (Applause.)

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W.H. may have blocked spill figures

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White House officials may have blocked the release of a more accurate and dramatic estimate of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill, perhaps hindering public confidence in the Obama administration's cleanup efforts, according to an Oil Spill Commission staff report released Wednesday.

The report says that the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration wanted to make some of its worst-case scenarios for the BP spill available to the public shortly after the April 20 explosion on the Deepwater Horizon rig but was overruled by the White House Office of Management and Budget.

That worst-case scenario could have been significant in guiding the public response to the spill and cleanup efforts, which dogged the White House for much of the summer.

"By initially underestimating the amount of oil flow and then, at the end of the summer, appearing to underestimate the amount of oil remaining in the Gulf, the federal government created the impression that it was either not fully competent to handle the spill or not fully candid with the American people about the scope of the problem," the report states.

[The commission report](#), one of four it released Wednesday on the spill and federal response, also criticizes administration officials for their announcements on Aug. 4 about the fate of the oil.

White House energy and climate adviser Carol Browner appeared on several TV morning shows to discuss the [oil spill budget](#) that concluded about 75

percent of the 4.9 million barrels of oil from the Macondo well was either captured or had broken down.

"Ms. Browner did not describe the Oil Budget as an operational tool designed to assist responders," the report states. "Instead, some of her statements presented the budget as a scientific assessment of how much of the oil was 'gone.'"

A press briefing that afternoon with Browner, White House press secretary Robert Gibbs, NOAA Administrator Jane Lubchenco and Coast Guard Admiral Thad Allen described the results more accurately, the commission writes.

Lubchenco described the findings in "somewhat different and more conservative terms" than Browner, namely by stating that "at least 50 percent" – not 75 percent – "of the oil that was released is now completely gone from the system."

Both Browner and Lubchenco also noted the findings were peer-reviewed by federal and non-federal scientists. While that was the case, the final spill budget was not peer-reviewed, and some scientists have complained that the information available for review was incomplete.

"These references to peer review by two senior officials in a White House press briefing likely contributed to public perception of the budget's findings as more exact and complete than the budget, as an operational tool, was designed to be," the report states, later adding, "The Oil Budget was never meant to be a precise tool, and its rollout as a scientific report obscured some important shortcomings."

[At the time](#), some lawmakers and environmentalists were also upset with the talk that only 25 percent of the spilled oil remained, fearing it would underplay the spill's ecological impact and possibly slow congressional action.

The House passed an oil spill response bill at the end of July, but the Senate never voted on a measure and further action this year is unlikely.

The administration-created National Oil Spill Commission is scheduled to issue its final report Jan. 11. The White House did not immediately respond to a request for comment about the report.

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WASHINGTON -- Conflicts between federal and local officials over the distribution of boom designed to keep oil from the **BP spill** from reaching shorelines were a "serious distraction that

took time away from responders' ability to deal with the crisis, according to a draft staff report from the White House spill commission released today.

In four separate draft working papers, the commission staff suggests that "over optimism" about the size of the spill during the first 10 days after the Macondo well exploded April 20 slowed the response.

"While it is not clear that this misplaced optimism affected any individual response effort, it may have affected the scale and speed with which national resources were brought to bear," one of the staff reports said. "Most responders thought that their initial approach was too slow and unfocused."

But by May 27, 2010, when polls showed 60 percent of Americans thought the government was doing a poor job of responding to the spill, and President **Barack Obama** announced he would triple federal manpower and resources, Coast Guard commanders believed they were already "throwing every resource into fighting the spill," the commission draft report says.

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While the Obama administration said the lower flow rates did not affect the administration's response to the spill, the commission staff said the hugely understated estimates resulted in less public confidence in the pronouncements about the disaster from both the federal government and BP.

It said that the Obama administration was misleading in suggesting that its report in August that as much as 75 percent of the oil had been removed had been peer reviewed by scientists. Independent scientists provided recommendations on "analysis methods" and contributed field data, but it is unclear "whether any of the independent scientists actually reviewed the final report prior to its release," the commission report said.

It may be sometime until it can be determined whether the government's estimate of the remaining oil is accurate, according to the staff report.

On the large-scale use of chemical dispersants to break up the oil, the commission staff says that in the view of experts, the "environmental trade off between the deep-ocean ecosystem and the shorelines made dispersants" was an acceptable choice.

But it said the finding came with several key caveats. For one, it said, the government was not prepared in advance of the spill with enough information about the environmental dangers of large scale use of dispersants.

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The seven-member National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Spill and Offshore Drilling is scheduled to release its final report on the disaster January 1.

The tensions between local parish officials and the federal government were extensive, according to the staff report.

"Once parishes had boom, they did not want to let it go. On July 22, 2010, (Plaquemines Parish President Billy) Nungesser opposed the Coast Guard's decision to began removing boom in preparation for Hurricane bonnie. He threatened to slash the tires of trucks carrying away protective boom. He later explained that his statement was only a joke," according to the commission staff.

The commission report said the disputes were a major distraction. "For example, because state and local officials wanted to be able to evaluate the response on their own terms they measured the feet of boom deployed, a measurement that took time to compile, but was of very little value in evaluating the effectiveness of response efforts," the commission report said.

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Dear Mr. Oppel,

Just a quick note to follow up on Secretary Mabus and Administrator Jackson's interest in our proposal for Gulf Coast Clean Energy and Healthy Communities Foundation. The director of my New Orleans office, Beth Galante, presented the idea to them at a meeting in New Orleans a few weeks ago. I also talked with Debra Knopman at Rand about the idea, explaining the important reasons and rationale why an independent foundation is needed to help in the long term recovery and transition of the region.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Global Green USA
WHITE PAPER Executive Summary:
Creating the "Gulf Coast Clean Energy and Healthy
Communities Foundation"

Goal: To transform the Gulf Coast to the Green Coast by helping the hard working Americans in the Gulf lead us to a stronger and cleaner economy, support wetlands and ecosystem restoration, and create more resilient Gulf Coast communities.

How: In addition to demanding that BP put billions of dollars into escrow to pay for restoration, we must require BP to deposit \$2.5 billion into an independent foundation as part of the fines the federal government makes them pay. The foundation would provide grants and loans to nonprofits and municipalities to fund environmental, conservation, and clean energy initiatives -- including regulation of existing and future oil and gas operations - along the Gulf Coast, and exist for 20 years, with the intent of spending itself out of existence to achieve it's aims. These would be funds to support the policies and activities needed to help make a clean energy future and protecting coastal communities possible.

Why: We must also ensure a lasting legacy for a cleaner, greener future. We need the Obama Administration to lead in creating a clean energy future for this nation that starts with energy and fuel efficiency, advances renewable energy, puts a price on the pollution created from fossil fuels, and ends subsidies of oil, gas, and coal. There is a dearth of grant makers -- and hence, environmental and other organizations organizations -- that are actually located along the Gulf Coast and/or that fund groups located there. We need to change that. Hence, the culture of deregulation that leads to constant impacts upon the marine, river, and other ecosystems and the human health of residents pervades.

What: In addition to traditional grants to fund research, technical assistance, and model policy development, the foundation should also employ other strategies to help create new green businesses, and clean jobs. To create off shore wind, solar, energy efficiency products, and other key needs for a sustainable and clean economy, the foundation would invest its principal in businesses and/or other vehicles -- alone or jointly with cities, states, or other foundations in the region -- to create these clean, green jobs. This not only helps the fishing and tourism businesses, but also creates an opportunity for oil workers to transition to cleaner, healthier, less dangerous jobs.

Need: There is no capacity to support an aggressive regulatory environment within the Gulf states, and no ability to regulate oil extraction. Any big money is oil money, which is allowing oil companies to drive the agenda and push for taxpayers to pay for the clean-up post oil disasters. We need **non-oil** money, independent from any oil agenda. As we have learned from Katrina, we need a LONG TERM view to help the region recover and transition, hence we need to make sure that all the money is not quickly spent. We must push for long-term investment that the hard-working Americans on the Gulf Coast can rely on, driven by the political will and individuals needs for clean-technology. A lack of regulatory measures and incentives designed to spur clean energy and clean technology investments prohibits clean energy industry players from making longer term investments in the Gulf Coast.

Who: The board would be comprised of foundation, nonprofit, university, and citizen stakeholders from each state. This includes the heads of the community foundations (e.g. GNOF, FMS, etc), universities, municipalities, and environmental groups working in the region who have offices on the ground.

Citizen advisory councils created in each state would advise the foundation's grant making activities.

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Subject President Obama Announces More Key Administration Posts

See below. White House just announced three appointments to the Gulf Task Force -- Mimi Drew, Dave Stewart and Garret Graves.

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President Obama Announces More Key Administration Posts

WASHINGTON - Today, President Barack Obama announced the appointment of the following individuals to key administration posts:

- Mimi A. Drew, State Representative, Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Task Force
- Dave Stewart, State Representative, Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Task Force
- Garret Graves, State Representative, Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Task Force

The Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Task Force was established by an Executive Order signed by the President on October 5, 2010. EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson was selected to chair the Task Force. Each of the five Gulf State governors was asked to recommend an appointment to the panel. Today's announcement names three of the five governors' choices for task force members. The two remaining State Representatives will be appointed soon.

The task force's mission is to coordinate efforts to implement restoration programs and projects in the Gulf Coast region. It also will coordinate with the Department of Health and Human

Services on public health issues and with other federal agencies on ways to enhance the economic benefits that ecosystem restoration will bring to the region.

President Obama announced the appointment of the following individuals to key administration posts:

Mimi A. Drew, Appointee for State Representative, Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Task Force

Mimi A. Drew is currently the Secretary of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. She has been with the Department since 1977, and in that time has served in many different capacities, including Administrator of the original Clean Water Act Nonpoint Source Program, Deputy Director and Director of the Division of Water Facilities/Water Resource Management, and Division Director of Technical Services. In 2007, Ms. Drew was appointed the Deputy Secretary of Regulatory Programs. As Deputy Secretary, she supervised and managed agency regulatory programs, interacted with all levels of government including the Florida Legislature on policy issues, and worked to effectuate practical solutions to ensure the protection of Florida's environment and public health. Ms. Drew received a B.A. in English and an M.S. in Environmental Engineering and Sciences from the University of Florida.

Dave Stewart, Appointee for State Representative, Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Task Force

Dave Stewart is currently the Chief of Staff to Alabama Governor Bob Riley. Prior to being named Chief of Staff in 2006, he was Policy Director and then Senior Advisor to the Governor. Before joining Governor Riley's administration in 2003, Mr. Stewart was Senior Advisor to Congressman Jo Bonner. He also served as the Director of Business Development for Forestexpress, LLC, an e-commerce company in Atlanta, Georgia, and was Co-Founder and Senior Business Development Manager for Lumber Logic Corporation, an Internet start-up targeting the building materials industry. He also worked for Wells Fargo's Energy Banking Group. Mr. Stewart has a B.S. and an M.B.A. from the University of Alabama.

Garret Graves, Appointee for State Representative, Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Task Force

Garret Graves is currently the Chair of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana (CPRA). The CPRA was established after Hurricane Katrina to streamline hurricane protection, flood control, ecosystem restoration and other community sustainability efforts. Prior to joining the State of Louisiana, Mr. Graves served for 13 years as a policy advisor to Senator John Breaux, Congressman Billy Tauzin, as well as the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee and the House Energy and Commerce Committee. During this time, he

advised Members of Congress on energy, environment, water resources, transportation, maritime, defense, trade, foreign affairs, and budget issues. Mr. Graves was also staff director of the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Climate Change and Impacts.

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'Cap and Trade' Loses Its Standing as Energy Policy of Choice

By JOHN M. BRODER

WASHINGTON – Less than a year ago, cap and trade was the policy of choice for tackling climate change.

Environmental groups and their foes in industry joined hands to embrace the approach, a market-driven system that sets a ceiling on global warming pollution while allowing companies to trade permits to meet it. President Obama praised it by name in his first budget, and the authors of the House climate and energy bill passed last June largely built their measure around it.

Today, the concept is in wide disrepute, with opponents effectively branding it “cap and tax,” and Tea Party followers using it as a symbol of much of what they say is wrong with Washington.

Mr. Obama dropped all mention of cap and trade from his current budget. And the sponsors of a Senate climate bill likely to be introduced in April, now that Congress is moving past health care, dare not speak its name.

“I don’t know what ‘cap and trade’ means,” Senator John F. Kerry, Democrat of Massachusetts, said last fall in introducing his original climate change plan.

Mr. Kerry’s partner in promoting global warming legislation, Senator Lindsey Graham, Republican of South Carolina, pronounced economywide cap and trade dead last month and has since been working with Mr. Kerry to try to patch together a bill that satisfies the diverse economic, regional and ideological interests of the Senate.

That plan, still being written, will include a cap on greenhouse gas emissions only for utilities, at least at first, with other industries phased in perhaps years later. It is also said to include a modest tax on gasoline, diesel fuel and aviation fuel, accompanied by new incentives for oil and gas drilling, nuclear power plant construction, carbon capture and storage, and renewable energy sources like wind and solar.

Why did cap and trade die? The short answer is that it was done in by the weak economy, the Wall Street meltdown, determined industry opposition and its own complexity.

The idea began as a middle-of-the-road Republican plan to unleash the market to reduce power plant pollution and spur innovation. But when lawmakers tried to apply the concept to the far more pervasive problem of carbon dioxide emissions, it ran into gale-force opposition from the oil industry, conservative groups that portrayed it as an economy-killing tax and lawmakers terrified that it would become a bonanza for Wall Street traders and Enron-style manipulators.

“Economywide cap and trade died of what amounts to natural causes in Washington,” said Fred Krupp, president of the Environmental Defense Fund, who has been promoting the idea for more than two decades. “The term itself became too polarizing and too paralyzing in the effort to win over conservative Democrats and moderate Republicans to try to do something about climate change and our oil dependency.

”Cap and trade was first tried on a significant scale 20 years ago under the first Bush administration as a

way to address the problem of airborne sulfur dioxide pollution – widely known as acid rain – from coal-burning power plants in the Eastern United States. A limit was imposed on emissions from the plants, and utilities were allowed to buy and sell permits to comply. Today it is considered one of the most effective environmental initiatives.

Environmentalists and industries resurrected the idea in recent years as a centerpiece of measures to address global warming and growing oil imports. Representatives Henry A. Waxman of California and Edward J. Markey of Massachusetts, both Democrats, built their climate change bill last year in large measure around it.

But in trying to assemble a majority to pass it, Mr. Waxman and Mr. Markey dished out a cornucopia of concessions and exemptions to coal companies, utilities, refiners, heavy industry and agribusinesses. The original simplicity was lost, replaced by a bazaar in which those with the most muscle got the best deals.

Opponents labeled it a tax-and-redistribution scheme. “We turned it into ‘cap and tax,’ and we turned that into an epithet,” said Myron Ebell of the Competitive Enterprise Institute, a free-market research organization supported by conservative individuals and corporations. “We also did a good job of showing that a bunch of big companies – Goldman Sachs, the oil companies, the big utilities – would get windfall profits because they’d been given free ration coupons.” C. Boyden Gray, White House counsel in the first Bush administration and a strong advocate of the acid rain cap-and-trade program, said that opponents were largely correct in labeling the Waxman-Markey plan a tax, because so many of the pollution allowances were given away to industry rather than allocated based on past emissions.

“This is potentially a \$3 trillion tax,” Mr. Gray said, “which is pretty steep in the best of times, and poison in the worst of times.” The House narrowly passed the bill last June, but the Senate has moved slowly to take it up. Mr. Kerry and Mr. Graham, along with Senator Joseph I. Lieberman, independent of Connecticut, have been trying to find support for a comprehensive measure.

They, too, have been forced to seek compromise, offering incentives to oil drillers, nuclear power advocates, antitax groups, coal companies and utilities. Two senators, Maria Cantwell, Democrat of Washington, and Susan Collins, Republican of Maine, have proposed an alternative that they call cap and dividend, under which licenses to pollute would be auctioned to producers and wholesalers of fossil fuels, with three-quarters of the revenue returned to consumers in monthly checks to cover their higher energy costs.

Ms. Cantwell said that cap and trade had been discredited by the Wall Street crisis, the Enron scandal and the rocky start to a carbon credits trading system in Europe that has been subject to dizzying price fluctuations and widespread fraud.

She said her bill would require every pollution permit to be auctioned rather than given away and was 39 pages long, compared with Waxman-Markey, which weighs in at some 1,400 pages.

The Cantwell-Collins plan is almost exactly what Mr. Obama proposed in the campaign and after first taking office – a 100 percent auction of permits and a large tax rebate to the public. “He called our bill ‘very elegant,’” Ms. Cantwell said. “Simplicity and having something people can understand is important.

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To "Lisa Jackson", "Lisa Heinzerling", Gina McCarthy, "Diane Thompson", Bob Sussman, "Michelle DePass", "Scott Fulton", David McIntosh, "Bob Perciasepe"
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THE WHITE HOUSE
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November 13, 2009

U.S.-Japan Joint Message on Climate Change Negotiations

Prime Minister Hatoyama and President Obama strongly affirmed their commitment to continuing to work together to usher in a new era in the global fight against climate change, and they recognized each other's achievements toward this shared goal.

The two leaders also reaffirmed that shifting to low-carbon growth is indispensable to the health of our planet and will play a central role in reviving the global economy. To this end, our countries aspire to reduce our own emissions by 80% by 2050 and endorse a global goal of reducing emissions by 50% by that year.

Meeting the climate change challenge requires all major economies to take ambitious concrete actions: emission reduction targets by developed countries and actions by major developing countries that will significantly reduce their emissions compared to business as usual. These actions must also be subject to a robust regime of reporting and international review. A solution also requires that critical support be provided for climate mitigation and adaptation efforts among the poor and most vulnerable. The United States and Japan will continue to cooperate closely with each other on international negotiations to this end.

It is vital that we achieve a successful outcome at COP 15. The United States and Japan are determined to engage themselves at all levels to secure this goal.

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Hi Laura

Political reporter/columnist Phil Kabler of the Charleston Gazette (the state's largest daily) wrote in the Sunday paper about the anti-EPA radio spots that are airing here in West Virginia that I mentioned to you last week.

See story here: <http://wvgazette.com/News/PhilKabler/201204200150>

You can hear audio of the spots here:

Anti-EPA radio spot airing in West Virginia sponsored by FRIENDS OF COAL:
<http://www.friendsofcoal.org/radio-spots.html> (see 'phone call')

Anti-EPA radio spot in heavy rotation in West Virginia sponsored by AMERICAN CROSSROADS:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gJEFFZuyOKM>

Mark Ferrell
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To Richard Windsor, Bob Sussman, Arvin Ganesan, Peter Silva,
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Subject Fw: Rahall press release on MTM letter to Lisa Jackson

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Subject: Rahall press release on MTM letter to Lisa Jackson

Rahall, Mollohan, Boucher Call on EPA to Abandon Harmful Coal Guidance
05/06/10

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Representatives Nick J. Rahall and Alan B. Mollohan (both D-WV) and Rick Boucher (D-VA) Wednesday called on the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to withdraw the Guidance it issued last month pertaining to the permitting of surface coal mining operations in the Appalachian region.

“While we have been urging the agency to provide clarity about the permitting process, we believe that this guidance is premature largely because we do not believe that full consideration has been given to the far-reaching implications of the policies it espouses, especially as it relates to conductivity,” the Congressmen said in their letter to EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson.

The legislators argued that much more work must be done to understand the broad effects of the policies contained in the Guidance on coal mining and other economic activities throughout Appalachia. In particular, the Guidance contains newly proposed limitations on the level of conductivity (electrical charge) in streams impacted by surface mining operations, a matter that has become a central and controversial issue in surface mining permit applications in the Appalachian states over recent months.

“Never before this Administration has the Appalachian coal mining industry been required to address questions of conductivity and much remains to be learned before we can possibly understand how conductivity limits will impact coal mining -- both surface and underground -- as well as any number of essential economic activities, such as road construction that is also critical to allowing the Appalachian region to achieve economic equity,” the legislators said.

Noting that the new Guidance causes the Appalachian region to be treated differently under the Clean Water Act from every other region of the country, Rahall, Mollohan and Boucher called

on the agency to, instead, ensure that this national law be applied “evenly and equally” throughout the country.

“We urge you to withdraw the April 1, 2010, Guidance and continue to work with the affected States, the involved federal agencies, and all stakeholders to develop guidelines that truly provide a balanced process for energy development and environmental protection,” the Congressmen said.

The full text of the letter follows:

May 5, 2010

Lisa P. Jackson, Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Jackson:

We write to express our concerns about the April 1, 2010, Guidance on EPA Review of Appalachian Surface Coal Mining Operations under the Clean Water Act, National Environmental Policy Act, and the Environmental Justice Executive Order. While we have been urging the agency to provide clarity about the permitting process, we believe that this guidance is premature largely because we do not believe that full consideration has been given to the far-reaching implications of the policies it espouses, especially as it relates to conductivity.

Essentially, EPA is seeking to bootstrap conductivity as a section 402 effluent limitation standard through the section 404 process. And to do so only in Appalachia, and only with respect to surface coal mining operations. Not only is there no precedent for such an action, but it is also patently a wrong approach to implementing the Clean Water Act. This is a national law and should be applied evenly and equally throughout the country as has been done in the past, and there is simply no justification for departing from that practice.

Never before this Administration has the Appalachian coal mining industry been required to address questions of conductivity and much remains to be learned before we can possibly understand how conductivity limits will impact coal mining, both surface and underground, as well as any number of essential economic activities, such as road construction that is also critical to allowing the Appalachian region to achieve economic equity. To wit, we must question why a hardrock mining operation in California, or a shopping mall construction project in New Jersey, which may impact an intermittent or ephemeral stream, should not be held to the same standard.

Aiming this guidance only at surface coal mining in Appalachia increases the disadvantage already suffered by the industry in this region when compared to Western mining operations. In

fact, it speaks volumes that the guidance specifically notes environmental justice as one of the principles driving these policies but sorely fails to address the equally noble goal of economic fairness. The Appalachian states know all too well the challenges of economic inequity and any actions that would serve to further undermine the fragile economy of this region ought to be met with a robust federal effort to shore up and improve the economy.

For these reasons, we urge you to withdraw the April 1, 2010, Guidance and continue to work with the affected States, the involved federal agencies, and all stakeholders to develop guidelines that truly provide a balanced process for energy development and environmental protection.

Sincerely,
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Rick Boucher

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Subject: Rahall asks for White House review of EPA before finalizing April 1 guidance

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Representative Nick Rahall (D-W.Va.) Tuesday appealed to the White House Office of Information and Regulatory

Affairs (OIRA) to examine EPA's Clean Water Act Guidance Memo affecting coal mine permitting in Appalachia before the April 1 deadline when the guidance is slated to be finalized. "There are many regulatory actions underway - at the EPA, OSM, and elsewhere - that would hurt coal miners and local communities in southern West Virginia," said Rahall. "All of those efforts, under executive orders in place long before President Obama took office, are subject to review by OIRA before they take effect. I am hopeful that OIRA will bring some additional oversight and help to check the EPA's more abusive actions."

Rahall met earlier this year with Cass Sunstein, Administrator of OIRA, regarding EPA regulations. In a letter to Sunstein on Tuesday, Rahall renewed his request for OIRA to intercede before the EPA finalizes its guidance on water permits for surface mining, which is scheduled to happen Friday. The EPA issued a Guidance Memo on April 1, 2010, establishing new criteria for the issuance of Clean Water Act permits for surface mining in Appalachia. Contrary to statutory and executive requirements, those guidance documents were not reviewed by OIRA or subject to public comment and participation before they took effect.

The White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs is responsible for overseeing regulatory actions at Federal agencies, including at the EPA. It is charged with ensuring that agency regulatory actions are consistent with applicable law and the efficient functioning of the economy, promoting productivity, employment, and competitiveness. OIRA can clear regulatory actions with or without change, return them to the agencies for reconsideration, or encourage the agencies to withdraw them. "The EPA is stretching its statutory authority to the limits, and doing so in a way that circumvents the rights of the affected communities to comment on how these proposed actions will affect jobs and their economic health and well being. I am asking the White House regulatory office to review the EPA actions before they are finalized, and to reverse guidance policies that circumvented the proper regulatory review and procedures," said Rahall.

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Subject Re: HUFFPO: NOAA Hoarding Key Data on oil spill damage

FYI-This was a concern that many science stakeholders raised during Paul's Gulf visits a week ago.

Adora Andy

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From: Adora Andy
Sent: 07/13/2010 06:33 PM EDT
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http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2010/07/13/noaa-hoarding-key-data-on_n_645031.html

HuffPo: NOAA Hoarding Key Data on oil spill damage
July 13, 2010

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is hoarding vast amounts of raw data that independent marine researchers say could help both the public and scientists better understand the extent of the damage being caused by the massive BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

In most cases, NOAA insists on putting the data through a ponderous, many-weeks-long vetting process before making it public.

In other cases, NOAA actually intended to keep the data secret indefinitely. But officials told the Huffington Post on Tuesday that they have now decided to release it -- though when remains unclear.

BP, incidentally, gets to see all this data right away.

At issue are test results from a series of research missions conducted by NOAA or NOAA-sponsored ships exploring the extent and effect of oil beneath the surface of the Gulf. Due to the leak's depth and the unprecedented use of dispersants, much of the oil is thought to have spread in gigantic undersea plumes, potentially adding a huge, so-far [mostly invisible](#) toll to the devastation so obviously manifesting itself along the nation's Gulf shore.

Despite [early urgent warnings](#) from independent scientists that oil suspended in the water column is likely killing wide swaths of sea life in the short run -- and possibly endangering marine animals and coastlines for decades to come -- NOAA was slow to send out research vessels to probe the extent of the problem, and even [slower to confirm it](#).

NOAA eventually sent out a half dozen ships packed with scientists, on back-to-back research missions. But the only [detailed results so far made public](#) were collected during a single mission that ended in late May -- almost two months ago. And some data -- including from the very first research vessel to take underwater tests, the *Jack Fitz* -- wasn't slated to be released at all, because it's part of what NOAA calls its Natural Resources Damage Assessment (NRDA).

NRDA data is traditionally kept close to the vest until potentially adversarial legal wranglings are over. But in this case, the obvious lead defendant, BP, is part of the Joint Incident Command, to whom all the raw data is being turned over immediately.

NOAA officials told the Huffington Post on Tuesday that, in a turnaround, they will now be making NRDA data public -- but they offered no timeline for that process.

In a statement to the Huffington Post, NOAA officials insisted that they are working as hard as they can to get the public accurate data, as fast as possible. "We understand the public's need for answers and consider it our responsibility to help provide those answers," NOAA spokesman Justin Kenney wrote in an e-mail. "Our commitment is to do what it takes to provide the right answers. Doing so requires upholding the highest standards of data quality and analysis to ensure our conclusions are correct. This process does take time, but we are doing everything we can to make quality data available in a timely fashion, to responders, our scientific partners, and to the public."

Kenney also noted that a considerable amount of other information is being posted online, on such websites as NOAA's new [GeoPlatform.gov](#). Indeed, detailed data about such things as [current ocean conditions](#) are posted in near real-time on one NOAA website. And since the get-go, NOAA has been publicly [tracking the trajectory](#) of the oil that's made it to the surface.

But when it comes to data about what's going on under the surface, some marine researchers are fed up with NOAA's slow-walk policy.

"It's not about science, it's about what their responsibility is to the public," said Vernon Asper, a professor of marine science at the University of Southern Mississippi.

"We want to find out what the impact is going to be. In order to do that, we need to find out as much as possible about what's happening to the oil, and make as many measurements as we possibly can."

Asper was part of a team of scientists aboard the *Pelican*, one of the first research vessels to test for oil under the surface -- and, it should be noted, to [report the existence of underwater plumes](#).

"What I'd like to see is the data released as soon as possible, with the proper qualifications, in the interest of openness and especially in the interest of allowing scientists like myself to plan our work. To plan our sampling, we need to know what they've found," Asper told the Huffington Post.

Scientists are primarily searching for signs of oil in the water and the consequent depletion of oxygen. Calibrating oxygen measurements is apparently a consistent challenge, and researchers typically don't release data until they've accounted for any inconsistencies.

Asper gets that. But, he said, "even if their results are off by 10 or 20 percent because of calibration or something, that still helps me. That's the kind of information that's required." In this case, he said, "my view on that would be: Go ahead and release the data but say: 'These don't agree. We haven't figured this out, but here they are anyway.' It's still totally useful information."

And Asper expressed frustration about one issue in particular: "If BP can see the data," he asked, "why can't the taxpayers see it?"

Ira Leifer, a researcher at the Marine Science Institute of the University of California, Santa Barbara, has grown so frustrated with the overall dearth of data regarding how much oil has spilled and where and how it is spreading that he has [put together an all-star team of researchers on a crash project](#) to do just that.

His proposal is in limbo right now, as everyone waits to see if BP's new cap is capable of containing the spill entirely.

Nevertheless, Leifer also called on NOAA to release data more quickly. "If somebody is making some measurement somewhere, it is difficult for them to find out or to contact other people who are also making measurements to try to compare or discuss their understanding of what's happening," he said.

Indeed, he suggested that NOAA should serve as a clearinghouse of data from its own scientists and others.

By contrast, right now that duty is being taken up by other, more self-interested parties. "The best way to find out, ironically, what all the research is that's going on," Leifer said, are lists being compiled by law firms -- by plaintiffs' attorneys preparing to sue BP for damages in civil suit.

"There are some legal teams that have created extensive, detailed lists of exactly who's doing everything," Leifer said. "It's not possible from my knowledge to find that information from government sources in any easy fashion."

Meanwhile, the government is working alongside BP, which, as Leifer put it, "may want areas of non-knowledge."

Indeed, BP, which faces a potentially enormous per-barrel fine, has no incentive to measure the amount of oil leaked with any precision whatsoever. Nor does it have any desire for the public to become too acutely aware of the vast amounts of oil it has been able to keep largely hidden beneath the surface, in part due to its controversial use of dispersants.

Rick Steiner, a marine conservationist who studied the effect of the Exxon Valdez spill in Alaska, sees NOAA's behavior as part of a larger trend. "It's my sense that all federal agencies are withholding information at this point on this spill, and this includes Coast Guard, EPA, Department of Interior, and certainly NOAA," he told the Huffington Post.

"And there's an overwhelming public interest that the public knows everything that the government knows about this at this point. So we need a new paradigm for how to handle public information in these sorts of disasters, and there's no better place to start than right here right now."

The last in a series of hurdles for data before NOAA lets it go public is for it to be "cleared" by the Joint Analysis Group (JAG), a multi-agency task force which a [NOAA press release](#) said "was established to facilitate cooperation and coordination among the best scientific minds across the government and provide a coordinated analysis of information related to subsea monitoring in the Gulf of Mexico."

That last part of the process alone can take several weeks. "There is definite recognition within the group that it is slow, and there is frustration that it is slow," said JAG member Rik Wanninkhof, a NOAA scientist at the Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory in Miami.

There are two paths NOAA data can take, he told HuffPost. One is "information that does go to the general public, and that is quite slow," and the other is "information that is for within NOAA, and that goes faster." The Coast Guard and BP also get the data right away.

Wanninkhof said the JAG's clearing process is important to assure that the data is accurate. But, he said, "it could be that we are erring to the side of caution." And, he said, it doesn't necessarily have to take quite this long.

"My feeling is it could be done faster, if fewer agencies were involved," he said. In addition to NOAA, the group includes representatives from the Environmental Protection Agency and the White House. BP is also there, providing "information coordination and synthesis."

There are two main goals when it comes to sub-surface testing. One is to get a better sense of how much oil has spilled; another is to get a better sense of what it's doing to sea life. When it comes to the latter, the key indicator involves oxygen levels, and the fear is that the oil will turn regions of the Gulf hypoxic, when means the water would have insufficient dissolved oxygen levels to sustain living aquatic organisms.

As it happens, the Northern Gulf already develops a large, hypoxic ["dead zone"](#) every summer, on account of all the nitrogen from sewage or fertilizer flowing down the Mississippi River.

Scientists testing for subsea oil have found depleted levels of oxygen, but the good news is that so far, none of them have come close to hypoxia, according to Wanninkhof -- who, unlike the rest of us, is seeing the raw data.

He warns that those levels could still go down, however, as microbes start to eat the oil in earnest, and in doing so deplete oxygen.

And Asper, the marine scientist from Southern Mississippi, warns that, at the depths where the plumes are mostly being found, even a slight reduction in oxygen could have serious and very long-lasting consequences.

"The water at great depths hasn't been on the surface in a long time," he said. "It's old water" that rose to the surface in Antarctica, perhaps hundreds of years ago, got chilled, and spread out along the ocean floor. Just as it hasn't seen the surface in a long time, Asper said, "this water that's down there won't get back to the surface of the ocean for probably hundreds of years longer."

So to the extent that oxygen levels there are depleted, he said, "it's quite likely that oxygen will stay low for a long time."

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Another factor at play when it comes to the dissemination of data is the apparent lack of clarity about the circumstances under which NOAA scientists are allowed to speak to the media.

Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility, a whistleblowers group, on Monday [demanded](#) that NOAA lift its "gag order muzzling NOAA scientists."

And some scientists contacted by HuffPost over the past few weeks have said they were explicitly told they could not talk to reporters without permission from NOAA's public affairs office. "That's what I've been told, that I'm supposed to direct any media contacts to the media," one scientist said on Monday.

But NOAA officials say that this is a misunderstanding of the [actual rules](#). Although the wording of those rules -- which dates back to the Bush administration -- is ambiguous in places, Kenney, the NOAA spokesman, insisted that the policy "clearly states that NOAA's scientists are free to speak to the media."

NOAA Director Jane Lubchenco "has discussed the importance of open communication to employees on many occasions, including whenever she travels to our labs and science centers," Kenney wrote in an e-mail. "[T]his is central to who she is as a scientist and NOAA administrator."

Kenney did not indicate, however, that NOAA officials were planning to take any action to clear up what is evidently some continued confusion in the ranks. Wrote Kenney: "Could our media policy be communicated better? Sure, that is always possible. Could it be clearer? No."

**Stephanie
Owens/DC/USEPA/US**
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To Richard Windsor
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OK. Thanks.

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Sent: 12/21/2011 08:54 PM EST
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Thx. Phaedra has a blog on HuffPo as well.

From: Stephanie Owens
Sent: 12/21/2011 08:44 PM EST
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Administrator Jackson,

We have received 37 formal stakeholder comments on MATS, several of which were included in the this evening's press release (attached.) We shared the comments with the White House and they forwarded them to the Tom Joyner Morning Show. You may be asked about specific comments, especially the one from the NAACP, in your interview tomorrow morning.

**Mercury and Air Toxics Standard Stakeholder Comments
As of 8:30 PM 12 -21-11**

1. Benjamin Todd Jealous, NAACP:

"This rule is a smart, sensible and overdue step to limit the dangerous effects of these toxins and address the racially disparate impact of air pollution. The standards will save millions of dollars in medical expenses by helping to prevent new cases of asthma attacks and other respiratory diseases that often strike families that can least afford it, while advancing a healthier quality of life for families across the nation."

2. Albert A. Rizzo, MD, American Lung Association:

Since toxic air pollution from power plants can make people sick and cut lives short, the new Mercury and Air Toxics Standards are a huge victory for public health. The Lung Association expects all oil and coal-fired power plants to act now to protect all Americans, especially our children, from the health risks imposed by these dangerous air pollutants."

3. American Businesses for Clean Energy, American Sustainable Business Council, Ceres, Environmental Entrepreneurs, Main Street Alliance and the Small Business Majority:

"Our experience has shown that the Clean Air Act yields substantial benefits to the economy and to businesses, and that these benefits consistently outweigh the costs of pollution reductions. We

believe the finalization of MATS [Mercury and Air Toxics Standards] is a meaningful step towards economic recovery and growth.”

4. New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg:

“Today, the President has done the right thing by ignoring the false claims of a narrow special interest and siding with the public health and the public good. The new EPA mercury standards will save countless lives and improve the quality of life for millions. The new rules will also accelerate the country's move away from heavily polluting coal power plants to cleaner energy sources that will continue to stimulate investment and economic activity long into the future.”

5. Massachusetts Governor Patrick:

“Massachusetts has dramatically reduced toxic mercury and other harmful emissions from local power plants through our strict pollution controls. Nevertheless, we have been impacted by mercury emissions from facilities in upwind states that have not imposed similar controls,” said Governor Patrick. “I congratulate the Obama Administration for adopting new nationwide rules that address this inequity, leveling the playing field and ensuring that the Commonwealth will reap the benefits of our own strict clean air regulations.”

6. Washington Governor Gregoire:

“I applaud EPA for taking strong action to curb harmful, toxic emissions from coal-fired power plants. In Washington, we're fortunate that we have been out front in protecting our people and our environment from such risks.

7. Howard Learner, Environmental Law & Policy Center:

“These standards mean power plants will invest in modern pollution controls, and that investment will create jobs, cleaner air and better public health. Illinois adopted mercury pollution reduction standards in 2006 and modern control equipment has been installed at almost all coal plants in the state. The technology works, the lights have stayed on, mercury pollution has been reduced and children's health is better protected. It's time for the holdout utilities to stop crying wolf, stop stalling and clean up their pollution to protect children's health and our rivers and lakes.”

8. Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel:

“I commend the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for introducing new standards to reduce levels of dangerous toxins in our air. Limiting emissions of mercury and other pollutants from coal and oil-fired power plants will save thousands of lives, protect public health, and create jobs for Americans. Our experience in Illinois has shown that mercury emissions can be dramatically reduced without any impact on reliability, cost, or quality of service. We must continue to clean our air and clean up this industry across the country, to create opportunities for Americans and allow all Americans to lead healthier lives.”

9. Alan Baker, American Public Health Association:

“The dangerous health risks associated with coal-burning power plants is no longer an elusive, distant threat. Exposure to air pollution and toxic chemicals can cause asthma and heart attacks, harm those suffering from respiratory illness and in some cases lead to death. Implementing these critically needed standards could mean the difference between a chronic debilitating, expensive illness or healthy life for hundreds of thousands of American children and adults.”

10. The Rev. Fletcher Harper, GreenFaith:

“The EPA's new rule is a vital step forward morally and religiously. The great religious traditions to which so many US citizens belong – from Judaism, Christianity and Islam to Hinduism, Buddhism and more - are overwhelmingly clear that protecting life and the environment represent a moral responsibility, and that we are called to steward and protect an earth which, ultimately, does not belong to us. By saving thousands of lives – many of them from our nation's most vulnerable communities – and by preventing toxic emissions, this rule will help ensure that future generations inherit a healthier, cleaner planet.”

11. Shannon Baker-Branstetter, Consumers Union:

"The health risks that mercury exposure poses are serious, especially since those most at risk are children and other vulnerable populations. Mercury from large industrial sources contaminates the air we breathe and common foods that many Americans eat. Regulating mercury emissions is just a common sense way to protect consumers from these health hazards and today's announcement is a critical step towards that goal."

12. U.S. Commerce Secretary John Bryson:

"For business leaders, there are few challenges greater than uncertainty, and by issuing today's ruling, this Administration has answered definitively a question that has hung over the U.S. energy industry for nearly 20 years. These new standards have benefits that far exceed costs, and the flexibility built into their adoption will help guarantee that implementation will proceed in a thoughtful, common-sense way that limits negative impacts on businesses."

13. Rev. Canon Sally G. Bingham, President of Interfaith Power & Light President:

"This is good news for the religious community across America. The finalization of the Mercury and Air Toxics Standards shows us that the 40-year old Clean Air Act is still an invaluable tool to carry out our call to be stewards of God's Creation and to serve the least among us."

14. Lauren Randall, Environment America:

"Today President Obama stood up to the polluters and protected kids' health. This landmark achievement reflects what every parent knows, which is that powering our homes should not poison kids."

15. Roberto Carmona, Voces Verdes:

"Voces Verdes applauds the Obama Administration's important new standard to control and curb mercury and other toxic air pollution from power plants. This historic rule will benefit our nation as a whole and Latino families everywhere preventing the harmful effects of these pollutants, such as respiratory diseases, developmental problems and heart attacks in our communities. This rule protects our health while also creating thousands of jobs from the manufacturing, engineering, installation and maintenance of pollution controls to meet these standards, potentially including 46,000 short-term construction jobs and 8,000 long-term utility jobs. This is an important move to protect the public health while ensuring a brighter future for our communities."

16. Robert D. Brook, M.D., University of Michigan and American Heart Association:

"This historic action taken today by the EPA will mean that all of us now and in the future can expect to suffer fewer cardiovascular problems caused by breathing harmful air pollutants from power plants, and also see a reduction in other health issues related to mercury and fine particulate matter. Though much progress has been made in cleaning our nation's air over the past few decades, these added safeguards should help to further reduce cardiovascular disease, the No. 1 killer in the United States. With these standards in place, generations of Americans will now be able to breathe even cleaner air, a fact we should all be proud of as a nation."

17. Rabbi David Saperstein, Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism:

"As heirs to a tradition of stewardship that teaches us to be partners in the ongoing pursuit of tikkun olam, or repairing the world, it is our sacred duty as Jews to care for the environment that sustains us. As such, we welcome the EPA's Mercury and Air Toxic Standards."

18. Katie Huffling, Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments:

"As nurses, we applaud, President Obama and the EPA for their defense of the public's health as they release their new regulations on mercury and other toxic air emissions from power plants. Day in and day out we care for those who suffer from cancer, heart disease, neurological damage, birth defects, and asthma. These serious ailments affect whole families and communities. The

Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments recognizes the monumental decision that is being made to reduce power plant emissions and how this will contribute to improving the health of our most vulnerable populations - the very young and the very old, especially. On behalf of the patients and communities we serve, we are incredibly grateful for this important environmental health regulation.”

19. Nsedu Witherspoon, Children's Environmental Health Network:

"We know that mercury can permanently damage a child's sensitive nervous system. If we want our children to reach their full potential, we need to get mercury out of their environment. This proposal is a practical, cost-effective and vital step toward this goal."

20. Bishop Stephen E. Blaire, Chairman of the Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB):

"The U.S. Catholic bishops welcome this important move by the Administration to adopt long-awaited standards to reduce mercury and toxic air pollution from power plants and to protect children's health," said Bishop Blaire. "In the end it just makes good sense to want to have clean air for our children and families to breathe and for future generations."

21. Richard Cizik, President of the New Evangelical Partnership:

"We want to applaud Administrator Lisa Jackson for her courage and determination in protecting not just the unborn in the womb, one out of six who are impacted by mercury, but also adult Americans who need protection from the impacts of mercury."

22. Lisa Bardwell, President/CEO of Earth Force:

"I want to register Earth Force's support of EPA's finalization of the Mercury and Air Toxics rule. We work with young people to address environmental issues facing their communities. We challenge them to be leaders today, to listen to diverse perspectives, and to think about the long-term implications of their actions. I hope we, as adults, can set an example for them - one that looks beyond the false dichotomies between economy and environment and that does not sacrifice their health for short-term gain."

23. The Evangelical Environmental Network:

[Excerpt from report] Mercury from power plants can be harmful to developing fetuses. In an unusual alliance that has the potential to shift pollution politics, Catholics and evangelical Christians opposed to abortion are joining forces with child health advocates to lobby for stricter limits on mercury pollution.

24. A.J. Nino Amato, President of the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups:

"As people age, their bodies are less able to compensate for the effects of environmental air pollution. Based on medical research, air pollution can aggravate heart disease and stroke, lung diseases such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, asthma, and diabetes. This leads to increased medication use, visits to health care providers, admissions to emergency rooms and hospitals, and even death. All of which leads to substantial increases in health care costs, that can be prevented, if and only if we enact the new EPA Air Quality Standards.

25. Ralph B. Everett, President/CEO of the Joint Center:

[In reference to the New Joint Center Report that finds benefits of EPA rules outweigh costs and would provide significant health and environmental benefits to low income and minority individuals]"This report demonstrates that not only do the EPA rules, such as the air toxics rule, make good economic sense, but they will noticeably impact the health and environment of African American populations and relieve burdens that have been disparately borne by this community", said Ralph B. Everett, Joint Center's President and CEO. "Given that low-income communities of color are disproportionately sited in close proximity to industrial facilities, power plants, and heavily traveled roads, it's clear that these rules will be of enormous benefit to residents in vulnerable communities.

26. Catherine Thomasson, M.D., incoming Executive Director of Physicians for Social Responsibility:

"PSR applauds the EPA's strong new rule on mercury and air toxics from power plants. This one is a real win for the public's health, especially children, babies and the unborn,"

27.

Jeff Levi, PhD, Executive Director of Trust for America's Health (TFAH):

This new standard, over twenty years in the making, is a critical addition to the Clean Air Act to protect the public's health," said Jeff Levi, PhD, Executive Director of TFAH.

28. Alan Baker, interim Executive Director of APHA:

"The dangerous health risks associated with coal-burning power plants is no longer an elusive, distant threat. Exposure to air pollution and toxic chemicals can cause asthma and heart attacks, harm those suffering from respiratory illness and in some cases lead to death," said Alan Baker, interim executive director of APHA. "Implementing these critically needed standards could mean the difference between a chronic debilitating, expensive illness or healthy life for hundreds of thousands of American children and adults."

29. Fred Krupp, President of EDF:

"Every decade or so, the United States takes a giant step forward on the road to cleaner, healthier air. Getting the lead out of gasoline was one. Reducing acid rain was another. Now, [according to the Washington Post](#), the Administration is set to announce a new giant step that directs power plants to cut their emissions of mercury and other air toxins. Though we don't yet have all the details, this much is clear: After 21 years of debate, mercury has at long last been added to the list of public health enemies that have no place in our children's air, water and food."

30. John Suttles, senior attorney at the Southern Environmental Law Center:

"As the largest unregulated sources of mercury and dozens of other highly toxic air pollutants, coal-fired power plants endanger the health and well-being of children and pregnant women every day," said John Suttles, senior attorney at the Southern Environmental Law Center. "The national standards EPA announced today establish sensible, achievable health protections for all Americans. These standards are a huge victory for families and children as they will slash levels of mercury and other toxic air pollution that disproportionately harm kids."

31. Kevin Kennedy, U.S. Climate Director, World Resources Institute:

"Just in time for the holidays, the EPA has taken a big step toward protecting people and the environment with the release of new mercury standards for power plants. This announcement demonstrates a balanced and responsible approach by the EPA, which has developed these standards through a lengthy, deliberate process involving many stakeholders.

"In fact, these standards have been in development for [over 20 years](#). Many plants are already meeting the standards, and 11 of the 15 largest coal utilities have already [informed](#) their shareholders that they are well positioned to comply with them." "Furthermore, these standards are achievable using current technology and provide sufficient flexibility to protect [electric system reliability](#). While some older coal plants may be pushed toward retirement, this will help expedite a shift to newer and more efficient plants, or other alternate energy sources.

"EPA has taken a significant step toward cleaner air, and we hope to see more progress to protect public health from air pollutants, including greenhouse gases, in the coming year."

32. Nicholas S. Hill, MD, president of the American Thoracic Society:

"As a physician who treats many patients with severe lung disease, I know that clean air is critically important to my patients' health and helps to keep them out of emergency departments and hospitals," said Nicholas S. Hill, MD, president of the American Thoracic Society. "Even though there is an expense to controlling toxic emissions, it is far less than the cost of excess illness and death attributable to these toxins."

33. Rev. Mitchell C. Hescox, President of EEN:

"My organization, along with those we work with in the faith community including the National

Association of Evangelicals and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, are thankful for recently finalized National Mercury and Air Toxics Standards and their life-saving benefits from mercury, particulates, and acid gases.

34. Heather Sage, Vice President of PennFuture:

"This is a great holiday present for the children of the nation and their families," said Heather Sage, vice president of PennFuture. "Thanks to this action by the EPA, our children's futures and their brain development will no longer be sacrificed on the altar of the power industry. This rule guarantees that the old coal-fired power plants must stop spewing toxic mercury and clean up, switch to cleaner fuel, or shut down. The power industry's free ride is finally over.

35. Trip Van Noppen, President, Earthjustice:

"We're celebrating today after a long fight for cleaner air. Earthjustice has stuck with this fight through thick and thin for more than a decade, and we're pleased after that long effort to see President Obama deliver this positive result. We'll remain vigilant against the inevitable attacks of these public health protections in Congress and in the courts, but for now, this is an incredible achievement that makes this holiday season a lot happier and healthier. We commend President Obama for this important life-saving result."

36. James Pew, attorney, Earthjustice:

"America is getting the gift of clean air this holiday season. We applaud the President for issuing these vital clean air protections that will save up to 11,000 lives each year by ensuring that the dirtiest power plants in the nation install the available technology that will cut mercury, arsenic, and other dangerous pollutants that make people sick."

37. Gary Cohen, President of Health Care Without Harm:

"This is a major step forward for mercury elimination in the environment," stated Gary Cohen, president of Health Care Without Harm. "Considering the setbacks this year for protections to our health, we congratulate the EPA for moving forward on this important, live-saving standard."

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NFL Legend Jerome Bettis, Clean Air Council and Former Assistant Energy
Secretary Sue Tierney to Discuss Need for Timely Implementation of EPA's
Utility MACT Rule

WHO: Jerome "The Bus" Bettis, Former NFL
All-Pro Player, Asthma Sufferer and Activist

Katie Feeney, Policy Analyst, Clean Air Council

Dr. Sue Tierney, Managing
Principal, Analysis Group and former Assistant Secretary for Policy at the
U.S. Department of Energy

WHAT: Bettis, Feeney and Tierney will discuss
the need for timely implementation of the Utility MACT Rule, and the
life-saving effects the rule will have - especially for those who suffer from
asthma and other respiratory diseases by reducing hazardous emissions from
power plants.

WHY: EPA is expected to sign the final
Utility MACT rule on December 16th. The rule has faced criticism from some in

the utility industry and Republican members of Congress. Bettis and Feeney are in Washington, D.C. to educate Members about the staggering health benefits that will come from the rule, including the prevention of 17,000 premature deaths and 120,000 cases of aggravated asthma annually, according to EPA. Dr. Tierney will speak to how the utility industry can comply with the rule.

WHERE: Cannon House Office Building, Room 122

WHEN: Thursday, December 15, 2011
1 PM EST

RSVP: Please confirm attendance

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About Jerome Bettis

The former Pittsburgh Steelers Running Back is one of the greatest running backs in the NFL history (5th overall in rushing). Diagnosed with asthma at age 14, Bettis is a tireless advocate for asthma awareness. Bettis also established "The Bus Stops Here Foundation" in 1996 to help improve the quality of life for disadvantaged and underprivileged children. In 2001, Jerome Bettis was the recipient of the Walter Payton Man of the Year Award.

About Clean Air Council

Clean Air Council is a member- supported, non-profit environmental organization dedicated to protecting everyone's right to breathe clean air. The Council works through public education, community advocacy, and government oversight to ensure enforcement of environmental laws.

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We Stand in Support of New EPA Mercury Standard by Mitch Hescoc

On March 16, 2011, the EPA proposed the First National Standard for Mercury Pollution from Power Plants. This new national standard offers a historic opportunity for the evangelical Christian Church to put its preaching into action. Life, as sacred, has long been a foundational tenet of our faith. We are pro-life and have struggled long to protect the unborn from harm, especially abortion. Over 1,000,000 unborn children die each year from abortions. However, another great threat faces the unborn, mercury poisoning. Unborn children are the most at risk as they are developmentally unable to protect themselves.

According to research, at least 1 in 12, and as many as 1 in 6 women of childbearing age have unsafe levels of mercury in her blood, enough to put a baby at risk for brain damage, autism, and other neurological imparities. These effects are not just temporary but are irreversible. Other research depicts that mercury levels continue elevating in American women, putting more unborn at risk. Mercury easily transmits from mother to child. One UCLA research project found mercury in 30% of US females of childbearing age in 2006, up from only 2% of same age group in 1999. This threat to our unborn is simply not acceptable.



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The primary domestic source of mercury comes from the burning of coal. Industrial and utility coal consumption represents at least 87% and as much as 99% of the mercury poisoning of the unborn. Smokestacks emit the mercury that then falls into our streams, lakes, and rivers. Fish consume the mercury; we eat the fish, and for pregnant mothers the contaminated fish finally accumulates in the weakest -- unborn children.

This isn't a limited problem. Mercury contaminates over 6 million acres of freshwater lakes, 46,000 miles of streams, and 225,000 wetland acres across the United States. The vast majority of our fresh water in every corner of America contains dangerous mercury levels. In fact, every state has some type of fish consumption advisory, including the recommendation for pregnant women not to eat any locally caught fish.

The Evangelical Environmental Network is putting action to our faith by standing in support of EPA's proposed standards limiting mercury and its threats to the unborn. The standard, twenty years in the making reduces 91% mercury released to the air. Some will attempt to weaken this proposed standard. However, unborn children deserve our greatest protection, and we believe the rule as proposed provides the best protection for the weakest in our society, the unborn child. This is an issue in life's sacredness. We encourage all who stand for life to stand with us and especially the unborn.

Look for more information coming soon to <http://creationcare.org>

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Cleaning the air

Kenneth Kimmell

New air quality rules would build on the state's pollution limits

December 17, 2011|By Kenneth Kimmell

FOR YEARS, the Northeast has been called the "tailpipe of the United States" - a place where air pollutants from across the country foul our skies and lungs. That negative moniker is due to no fault of our own, but is a casualty of our location downwind of

pollution sources in other regions.

Under Governor Deval Patrick, Massachusetts has led the nation in reducing pollution from power plants, cars and trucks, industrial sources and consumer products. For example, strict mercury limits for coal plants went into effect in 2008, and the plants have reported dramatic reductions in mercury emissions.

Yet, despite these efforts, the Commonwealth still has too many days each year of unhealthy air. This is largely due to the pollutants that are produced by power plants in upwind states in the Midwest and Southeast, and carried by prevailing winds into our backyards. Pollution from cars and trucks also continues to be a significant factor.

Fortunately, new rules from the US Environmental Protection Agency would require upwind power plants to cut pollution the way we have done here, which will level the playing field and ensure that Massachusetts reaps the benefits of its clean air rules. The EPA is also expected to propose rules to cut pollution from cars and light trucks through tighter vehicle standards and cleaner gasoline. These rules deserve our support.

The EPA's Cross-State Air Pollution Rule, finalized in July, requires power plants to reduce emissions that cause ozone and fine particulates that can be drawn deep into one's lungs. This will cut down on the number of days that we need to warn our residents that our air is unhealthy, something that happened 10 times last summer.

The EPA estimates that nationwide, up to \$280 billion in health benefits will result from the new rule, due to 34,000 fewer premature deaths each year, 15,000 fewer non-fatal heart attacks, thousands of fewer hospitalizations, and 400,000 fewer cases of aggravated asthma throughout the eastern, central, and southern United States.

In addition, the EPA is expected to soon finalize a rule to reduce toxic emissions from large power plants - the Mercury and Air Toxics Rule. Mercury is a potent neurotoxin, particularly to the developing brain of the fetus and young child. Even small amounts of mercury are harmful.

Extensive scientific research shows widespread mercury pollution across New England, largely due to air deposition of mercury from upwind states. Because of high mercury levels, all New England states warn against eating certain types of locally caught fish.

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ACTION ALERT:

Congress to Vote on Measures to Stop EPA Overreach this Week

Dear Friend,



We hear it from small businesses and constituents alike, EPA poses one of the biggest regulatory threats to our economy. In the last few weeks, our grassroots network has generated more than 30,000 letters to their members of Congress supporting bills that will prevent EPA's ability to impose an unprecedented set of regulations that will kill American jobs and spike energy prices.

This week marks a huge opportunity to limit the scope of EPA and ensure that Congress is the governing body to address climate change and energy policy.

The House will vote on the "Energy Tax Prevention Act" today, which would block EPA's ability to mandate a host of new regulations on emitters of greenhouse gases-regulations with devastating costs to our economy, but negligible impact on global temperatures.

Following the House vote, the Senate is expected to take up the McConnell legislation which mirrors the Energy Tax Prevention Act proposed in the House.

With gas prices reaching \$4 a gallon, and more than 14 million out of work, it is no surprise that the public is outraged by EPA's proposals. These new provisions will impose what could prove to be the most costly, burdensome, and expansive set of job killing regulations ever crafted. Unless Congress steps in and blocks their authority - our economic situation will only deteriorate, and quickly.

With votes expected as soon as this afternoon, send a letter to your members of Congress now and urge their support for blocking EPA.

There's a growing consensus that EPA's efforts are a barrier to our country's economic recovery. Further, the EPA is superseding the power of Congress.

It's time for it to stop.

Sincerely,



Karen A. Harbert
President and Chief Executive Officer
Institute for 21st Century Energy
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P.S. With House and Senate votes expected in the next few days, **the time for action is now.**



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(02/25/2011)

Thanks, Charles.

We talked to Lindsey Layton with the Post about this last week. It's a big deal.

As the article notes, we proposed PDBEs for our chemicals of concern list (which has been stuck at OMB since May 2010), in addition to doing an Action Plan on them.

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Wal-Mart Stores Inc. has wielded its power as the world's largest retailer to ban a controversial flame retardant used in consumer goods from cameras to child car seats.

The retail giant is bypassing federal regulators by requiring suppliers to conform to certain production standards in an effort to move away from chemicals researchers say endanger human health and the environment.

 "This really shows the market being able to move more decisively than the government," said Andy Igrejas, national campaign director of Safer Chemicals, Healthy Families, a coalition of environmental and public health groups.

Wal-Mart's ban prohibits use of polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs) and follows the decision of a handful of states to ban the chemicals. A recent notice distributed by the retailer asked suppliers to make sure their products do not contain PBDEs, which have been linked to liver, thyroid, reproductive and brain development problems. Wal-Mart will begin verification testing in June.

Although U.S. EPA identified PBDEs as chemicals of concern last year, attempts to limit new use of them have been mired in a lengthy bureaucratic process. Chemical laws make it difficult for the federal government to place such bans. EPA has been unable to ban even asbestos, widely acknowledged as a likely carcinogen and banned in more than 30 countries.

Suppliers who move away from using PBDEs must find other flame extinguishing methods, whether it involves using alternative chemicals that pose separate health risks or redesigning products so there is no need for flame retardants at all.

Absent federal regulations, states have taken on the responsibility of banning controversial chemicals, creating a patchwork of regulations that poses problems for corporations spanning several states.

Retail regulation might provide a faster route for chemical bans, said Richard Denison, senior scientist at the Environmental Defense Fund.

"The companies producing for Wal-Mart are not going to make a special line for them and another line with those chemicals for everyone else," Denison said. "And this is going to make it easier for other retailers to follow suit" (Lyndsey Layton, Washington Post, Feb. 25). -- PK

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Air pollution: Chicago-area coal plant to shut down earlier than expected

State Line Power Station to close by March instead of 2014

By [Michael Hawthorne](#), Chicago Tribune reporter

November 18, 2011

After deciding it isn't worth cleaning up one of the nation's dirtiest power plants, the owners of an aging coal-burner along the southwestern shore of Lake Michigan are shutting it down sooner than expected.

In its latest financial documents, Virginia-based Dominion Resources says it will shutter the State Line Power Station by March instead of 2014, a move that will scrap one of the Chicago area's biggest sources of lung- and heart-damaging air pollution.

Sandwiched between Lake Michigan and the Chicago Skyway at the Illinois-Indiana border, the plant has a Hammond address but is surrounded by Chicago on two sides. It emits more lung-damaging nitrogen oxide than two other former ComEd plants in the city and churns more smog-forming sulfur dioxide and toxic mercury into the air than either plant, according to a Tribune analysis of federal records.

Dominion, which bought the plant in 2002 amid a rush of interest in dirty-but-plentiful coal, opted earlier this year to withdraw State Line from an auction for long-term electricity contracts. If it had included the plant in its bid, the company said, it would have needed to spend several million dollars installing new pollution controls to meet federal rules requiring cleaner air in the Midwest, Northeast and South.

The prospect of spending more money on State Line — combined with shrinking profit margins and a federal complaint alleging the plant was illegally upgraded to extend its operating life — led Dominion to join other power companies that are closing dozens of coal plants built in the middle of the last century. ComEd built State Line in the 1920s and installed its latest electric turbines in the 1950s and '60s.

In an email response to questions, Jim Norvelle, a Dominion spokesman, said cheaper natural gas and more expensive coal are "challenging the profitability of the station." About 110 employees at the plant will work through June to complete the shutdown, Norvelle said, then will be offered chances to apply for jobs at other Dominion sites.

Closing State Line portends new uses for prime lakefront property tucked between Chicago's [Calumet Park](#) and a Hammond bird sanctuary. Dominion is studying what it would take to clean up the site.

"Now that they're on the path to shutting down, the question is how soon the site will be ready for redevelopment," said Howard Learner, president of the Environmental Law and Policy Center. "We have an opportunity to replace a dirty clunker with an extension of open space along Lake Michigan."

The Tribune [reported last year](#) that State Line had largely been ignored during a decades-long effort to clean up Chicago's smog- and soot-choked air. During the 1970s, federal and state regulators exempted dozens of old coal plants like State Line from the toughest provisions of the Clean Air Act after utilities said they wouldn't be running much longer.

Rules pushed first by President George W. Bush's administration and later by the Obama administration are prompting energy companies to finally abandon their oldest, dirtiest power plants. During the past two years, utilities have retired nearly 300 coal-fired units across the nation, clearing the way for more cleaner-burning natural gas plants and pollution-free wind and solar power, according to federal records reviewed by the Sierra Club.

Illinois and Indiana alone added more than 800 megawatts of wind energy last year, substantially more than the electricity generated by the 515-megawatt State Line plant.

The changing landscape also is increasing financial pressure on Midwest Generation, owner of coal plants in Chicago's Pilsen and Little Village neighborhoods and in suburban Joliet, Romeoville and Waukegan. Under a deal with Illinois officials, the company has pledged to clean up or shut down the former ComEd plants by 2018, but environmental groups and Mayor Rahm Emanuel are pushing for an earlier deadline.

This month, Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan killed a deal that would have required the state to sign a long-term contract to buy electricity from a new Midwest Generation wind farm in return for closing the Chicago coal plants next year. The company is searching for ways to pay off a \$190 million loan it secured to finance its wind project.

Another regional utility, Northern Indiana Public Service Co., is closing an idled coal plant in Gary and spending \$600 million to clean up three others along or near Lake Michigan. The project is expected to create hundreds of construction jobs and preserve hundreds of others at the power plants.

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To Richard Windsor, perciasepe.bob, mccarthy.gina, Brendan Gilfillan, mccabe.janet

05/24/2012 07:33 PM

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Subject People hired via Craigslist to wear "America Counts on Coal" shirts at today's hearing on GHG Power Plant Performance Standards in Chicago

Pro-Coal Group Pays People To Wear Their Shirts at EPA Hearing

<http://sierraclub.typepad.com/compass/2012/05/pro-coal-astrotrufing.html>

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To Richard Windsor, thompson.diane, perciasepe.bob

10/31/2011 05:49 PM

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Subject BREAKING NEWS - Bluff collapse at WE Energies Oak Creek power plant on Lake Michigan

I thought you might like to know about this -- even though Coast Guard is lead (because of proximity to Lake Michigan.) WDNR has asked us to attend a meeting tomorrow morning -- and we will be sending someone. Word is that WDNR is not happy with the initial Coast Guard/PRP response. We are also hearing that there is coal ash involved. Will keep you posted.

Authorities: No injuries in bluff collapse at We Energies plant



WTMJ-TV

This video frame grab shows the bluff collapse at the We Energies Oak Creek Power Plant on Monday. The failure is near a new air quality control system for the plant that's under construction, the company said.

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- [print](#)

By [Sharif Durhams](#), [Meg Jones](#) and [Don Behm](#) of the Journal Sentinel

Updated: Oct. 31, 2011 3:10 p.m. [\(49\) Comments](#)

Today's TMJ4 Video



[Bluff collapse at We Energies](#)



[CHOPPER 4 RAW VIDEO: Bluff collapse at We Energies](#)

Oak Creek - A large section of bluff collapsed next to the We Energies Oak Creek Power Plant, sending dirt and mud cascading into the shoreline next to Lake Michigan and dumping several cargo trailers that are lying strewn in a parking area near the water.

No one was inside the three trailers nor a small temporary building that housed equipment; no injuries were reported following the collapse shortly after 11 a.m. Monday. The incident did not affect power output from the plant.

A U.S. Coast Guard spokesman said the contractor working at the site reported all of its personnel were safe.

"We can be fortunate that there's nobody injured in this," Lt. j.g. Brian Dykens said. "This is definitely a freak accident."

Dykens said the Coast Guard was called to the scene at 11:18 a.m. along with officials from Oak Creek and other departments.

Aerial images show several trailers used to hold construction equipment tumbled like Tonka toy trucks and were swept along with the falling bluff in a river of dirt, coming to a rest near the water. A front-end loader also fell during the collapse, Dykens said.

A section of bluff about 30 feet wide and roughly 10 to 15 feet long collapsed and slid 200 feet from a terraced area at the top of a hill down to the lake level, We Energies spokesman Brian Manthey said. The failure is near a new air quality control system now under construction. The collapse is contained to the We Energies property.

About 100 construction workers who are not We Energies employees were at the site when the collapse occurred.

Manthey said "there's no immediate danger" of a further collapse at the site, though authorities are testing the soil near the collapse for stability as well as testing soil around the air quality control building under construction.

Officials are also checking to see what kind of debris might have tumbled down the bank.

"There's no information now on whether any hazardous materials were involved," Manthey said.

Dykens said the Coast Guard will remain on the scene to monitor whether any dirt and debris polluted Lake Michigan.

Ammonia tanks now stand on high ground, just to the north of the part of the bluff that collapsed, but those tanks are empty, Manthey said. Ammonia is a chemical commonly used in scrubbing pollutants that would otherwise escape through coal plants' smokestacks.

"At this point what we're doing is assessing just what may have ended up in the lake, taking a

look at the area itself to try to determine the integrity of that soil in that area," Manthey said.

Power was generating at both the original and new coal plants. Because the pollution control equipment has not yet been hooked up to the plant, the incident didn't affect operations at either plant, Manthey said.

Oak Creek's water utility was also not affected by the bluff collapse because the community's water intake pipe is two miles north of the power plant and one mile out into Lake Michigan, Oak Creek utilities engineer Mike Sullivan said. Oak Creek supplies water to residents of its city as well as Franklin and the northern half of Caledonia.

Oak Creek water utility officials were worried that the water pipes it uses to supply water to the We Energies plant might have been severed in the bluff collapse but Sullivan said that did not happen.

The cause of the bluff collapse was unknown Monday. The National Weather Service office in Sullivan reported only 0.23 inch of rain fell at Milwaukee's airport Sunday and the only precipitation prior to that was a trace that fell on Oct. 27, meteorologist Ed Townsend said.

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee geology professor Tom Hooyer said that based on aerial images of the site from news helicopters, seepage from a high water table is more likely the cause of the failure than erosion from the lake.

Hooyer questioned whether the retention pond near the site of the collapse had a lining. If not, it's possible seepage from that pond could have loosened the nearby soil, he said.

The air quality control system project under construction at Oak Creek is the second most expensive construction project ever undertaken by We Energies, with a price tag of \$900 million. Construction began in 2008.

The air controls would serve the original Oak Creek coal plant, which has four boilers that opened from 1959 to 1967. The original coal plant is just south of the new two-plant coal plant that opened earlier this year, at a cost of more than \$2.3 billion.

During an investor conference call last week, company Chairman and Chief Executive Gale Klappa said the project was about 90% complete and was "on time and on budget," with the new controls expected to undergo testing before completion in 2012.

The project is adding scrubbers and other pollution control equipment to reduce the emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide.

In a report filed last week with the state Public Service Commission, We Energies said the air emissions control construction project had gone 2.4 million hours without a lost-time injury.

In 2008, We Energies hired the Washington Division of San Francisco-based URS Corp. to perform the engineering, management, engineering, procurement, construction and

commissioning for the project. Known as Washington Group until it was sold to URS, the contractor also did a similar pollution-control project on the We Energies coal-fired power plant in Pleasant Prairie several years ago.

URS Washington also built the new natural gas-fired power plant in Port Washington for We Energies, and a coal-fired power plant near Wausau for Wisconsin Public Service Corp.

Journal Sentinel reporters Thomas Content and Sharif Durhams contributed to this report.

Susan Hedman/R5/USEPA/US

To Richard Windsor

11/15/2011 09:25 AM

cc "Alisha Johnson", "Jose Lozano"

bcc

Subject Editorial in today's Chicago Tribune: Sink the Badger

Sink the Badger (proposal)

November 15, 2011

Every day from May to October, the SS Badger, the last coal-powered steamship on the Great Lakes, ferries cars and tourists across Lake Michigan on a picturesque four-hour journey from Manitowoc, Wis. to Ludington, Mich.

Along the way, it leaves a souvenir in the lake: a total of about 509 tons of toxic coal ash, laced with arsenic, lead and mercury over a 134-day operating schedule. That's far more pollution than all the other 125 freighters plying the Great Lakes collectively leave in a full year, according to Coast Guard records.

In 2008, the U.S. EPA set a four-year deadline for the Badger's owners to sharply limit its pollution, the Tribune's Michael Hawthorne recently reported. Didn't happen. Instead, the Badger now is one step away from being protected – in all its polluting glory – as a National Historic Landmark. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar must decide.

Hmmm. Let's see here. The Badger had four years to clean up. It failed to secure a \$14 million federal grant to convert its engines to diesel. Now it argues that those engines are a "historic propulsion system," so precious as artifacts that they should be protected from the EPA.

The 410-foot ferry wants to join the rarefied world of protected nautical national treasures, joining The Potomac, President Franklin D. Roosevelt's yacht, and the Nautilus, the world's first atomic-powered submarine.

We say, sure, drape the Badger in the cloak of treasured icons — provided it becomes a museum for tourists to tromp through, docked forever in a harbor.

"We cannot let Historic Landmark status be used to evade the federal regulations we rely on to protect public health and the environment," U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin recently wrote to Salazar. "This Great Lake cannot take any more toxic dumping, no matter how historic or quaint the source may be."

Exactly right.

The Badger pollutes the lake every time it makes the 60-mile crossing. A Badger spokesman tells us the ship's owners are exploring the possibility of converting its engines to run on cleaner natural gas. That would be an excellent move, but it is far from certain.

Republican U.S. Reps. Bill Huizenga and Dan Benishek, of Michigan, and Tom Petri, of Wisconsin, recently added an amendment to the Coast Guard budget that would prevent the EPA from imposing more stringent pollution limits on any ship that is "on, or nominated for inclusion on" the list of national landmarks. Guess how many ships fit that criteria? Just one. This is classic special-interest legislation that benefits a few at the expense of everyone else.

The answer here can't be a shrug over polluting the lake, the region's most precious natural resource. That was the way of the world in the early 1950s, when the Badger first started sailing Lake Michigan. That's not acceptable now.

The Badger, as Durbin says, was "quaint" back then. Today, it just fouls the water.

Susan Hedman/R5/USEPA/US To Richard Windsor, "Diane Thompson", "Bob Perciasepe",
"Mathy Stanislaus"
10/06/2010 11:16 AM cc
bcc
Subject Fw: ER Notification - Cheboygan State Park / USCG
Response

FYI -- It looks like we have an oil spill in Lake Huron -- Coast Guard lead. We will be having an internal call to discuss this afternoon -- probably at 1 pm eastern. I will forward call-details, in case you would like to join.

Susan Hedman

----- Original Message -----

From: Susan Hedman
Sent: 10/06/2010 11:08 AM EDT
To: Mark Durno; "Susan Hedman" <Hedman.Susan@epa.gov>; Bharat Mathur; "Ronna Beckmann" <Beckmann.Ronna@epa.gov>; Elissa Speizman; Richard Karl; Douglas Ballotti; Denise Gawlinski; Jeff Kelley; Jayna Legg; David Chung; Gilberto Irizarry; Epahq Eoc; Anne Rowan; Linda Nachowicz; Jason El-Zein; Beverly Kush; Charles Gebien; Thomas Crosetto; Matthew Mankowski; John Maritote; Ralph Dollhopf
Cc: "Gloria Swanson" <swanson.gloria@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: ER Notification - Cheboygan State Park / USCG Response

Thanks Mark.

I'd like a live update on this at noon. For those in Chicago -- please gather in my conference room.

Gloria -- could you please provide a conference number?

Thanks.

Mark Durno

----- Original Message -----

From: Mark Durno
Sent: 10/06/2010 10:45 AM EDT
To: hedman.susan@epa.gov; Bharat Mathur; beckmann.ronna@epa.gov; Elissa Speizman; Richard Karl; Douglas Ballotti; Denise Gawlinski; Jeff Kelley; Jayna Legg; David Chung; Gilberto Irizarry; fema-r5-watch@fema.gov; Epahq Eoc; Anne Rowan; Linda Nachowicz; Jason El-Zein; Beverly Kush; Mark Durno; Charles Gebien; Thomas Crosetto; Matthew Mankowski; John Maritote
Subject: ER Notification - Cheboygan State Park / USCG Response

Please be advised that the U.S. Coast Guard and MDNRE are responding to an mystery oil spill in Duncan Bay and Cheboygan State Park. As a coastal zone response, USCG is the lead Federal responder. OSC Ralph Dollhopf is mobilizing to the scene to oversee activities from U.S. EPA's perspective and has offered support to USCG. A summary of the spill, submitted from MDNRE, is below:

-The USCG has not yet confirmed a source. They inspected the vessels in Duncan Bay and did not visually confirm any leakage or spillage from the vessels.

-The oil is a heavier, weathered, thick, dark oil. The vessels are carrying a #2 diesel, which is a lighter oil, further indicated it may be from another source.

-The USCG has flown over the sight. There is about a 300 yard sheen on the water and there are two areas on the shore in Duncan Bay at this time reported to be impacted. One is

at the state park.

-The USCG has been on scene all last night and continues to be on scene today.

-The USCG does not at this time have an estimation of spillage volume.

-Marine Pollution Control has been contracted for the clean-up and should be on-scene first thing this morning.

-The USCG is expecting a call back from someone on scene for an update and will give me a call when they have that update.

We will provide updates, as necessary. The NRC report is below. Please call if you have questions (mobile: 440-476-7988).

md

Mark Durno
Chief, Response Section 1
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NATIONAL RESPONSE CENTER 1-800-424-8802
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Incident Report # 956102

INCIDENT DESCRIPTION

*Report taken by: PO2 BRIAN DOVE at 15:26 on 05-OCT-10
Incident Type: UNKNOWN SHEEN
Incident Cause: UNKNOWN
Affected Area: DUNCAN BAY
Incident was discovered on 05-OCT-10 at 15:00 local incident time.
Affected Medium: WATER DUNCAN BAY

REPORTING PARTY

Name: PAUL KOSZEGI
Organization: CHEBOYGAN STATE PARK
Address: 4490 BEACH ROAD
CHEBOYGAN, MI

PRIMARY Phone: (231)4205170
Type of Organization: OTHER

SUSPECTED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Name: UNKNOWN

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INCIDENT LOCATION

4490 BEACH ROAD County: CHEBOYGAN
 City: CHEBOYGAN State: MI
 UNKNOWN SHEEN INCIDENT - LAKE HURON, DUNCAN BAY

RELEASED MATERIAL(S)

CHRIS Code: OUN Official Material Name: UNKNOWN OIL
 Also Known As:
 Qty Released: 0 UNKNOWN AMOUNT Qty in Water: 0 UNKNOWN AMOUNT

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

CALLER IS REPORTING A SHEEN ON THE WATER AND BLACK OIL IN THE SAND. THEY CANNOT TELL HOW FAR THE SHEEN GOES OUT BUT ABOUT 300 YARDS OF BEACH HAS BEEN IMPACTED. IT IS UNKNOWN WHERE THE MATERIAL IS COMING FROM BUT THERE IS A TUG BOAT THAT SUNK IN JULY, AND A FERRY THAT IS GROUNDED WHICH IS CURRENTLY BEING ATTEMPTED TO BE BROKEN FREE BY A TUG BOAT. CALLER STATED THERE IS A LOT OF MATERIAL AND A SMELL OF OIL.

SENSITIVE INFORMATION

INCIDENT DETAILS

Platform Rig Name:
 Platform Letter:
 Location Area ID:
 Location Block ID:
 OCSG Number:
 OCSF Number:
 State Lease Number:
 Pier Dock Number:
 Berth Slip Number:
 ---SHEEN INFORMATION---
 Sheen Color: RAINBOW
 Sheen Odor Description: OIL
 Sheen Travel Direction:
 Sheen Size Length: 300 YARDS
 Sheen Size Width:
 ---WATER INFORMATION---
 Body of Water: DUNCAN BAY
 Tributary of: LAKE HURON
 Nearest River Mile Marker:
 Water Supply Contaminated: UNKNOWN

IMPACT

Fire Involved: NO Fire Extinguished: UNKNOWN

INJURIES: NO Hospitalized: Empl/Crew: Passenger:
 FATALITIES: NO Empl/Crew: Passenger: Occupant:
 EVACUATIONS:NO Who Evacuated: Radius/Area:

Damages: NO

Closure Type	Description of Closure	Hours Closed	Direction of Closure
N			
Air:	N		Major
Road:			
Artery:N	N		
Waterway:	N		
Track:			

Environmental Impact: YES/WILDLIFE, VEGETATION
 Media Interest: NONE Community Impact due to Material:

REMEDIAL ACTIONS

NONE
 Release Secured: UNKNOWN
 Release Rate:
 Estimated Release Duration:

WEATHER

Weather: SUNNY, °F
 Wave Condition: 0 CALM

ADDITIONAL AGENCIES NOTIFIED

Federal: USCG
 State/Local: LOCAL SHERIFF
 State/Local On Scene: PARK RANGER
 State Agency Number: NONE

NOTIFICATIONS BY NRC

ATLANTIC STRIKE TEAM (MAIN OFFICE)
 05-OCT-10 15:38 (609)7240008
 DHS NOC (NOC)
 05-OCT-10 15:38 (202)2828114
 USCG ICC (ICC ONI)
 05-OCT-10 15:38 (301)6693363
 CG INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE DETROIT (RESIDENT AGENT OFFICE, DETROIT)
 05-OCT-10 15:38 (586)2396759
 CHIPPEWA OTTAWA RESOURCE AUTHORITY (COMMAND CENTER)
 05-OCT-10 15:38 (906)6320043
 DOT CRISIS MANAGEMENT CENTER (MAIN OFFICE)
 05-OCT-10 15:38 (202)3661863
 U.S. EPA V (MAIN OFFICE)
 (312)3532318
 U.S. EPA V (OUTSTATION TRAVERSE CITY)
 05-OCT-10 15:38 (231)3010559
 FLD INTEL SUPPORT TEAM DETROIT (COMMAND CENTER)
 05-OCT-10 15:38 (216)8576279
 MICHIGAN DEPT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH (HSEES)
 05-OCT-10 15:38 (517)3358364

MI INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS CENTER (FUSION CENTER)
05-OCT-10 15:38 (517)2418000
NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE COORD CTR (MAIN OFFICE)
05-OCT-10 15:38 (202)2829201
NOAA RPTS FOR MI (MAIN OFFICE)
05-OCT-10 15:38 (206)5264911
SECTOR SAULT ST MARIE (COMMAND CENTER)
(906)6353233
MICHIGAN DEQ (MAIN OFFICE)
05-OCT-10 15:38 (800)2924706
MICHIGAN DEQ (MAIN OFFICE 2)
05-OCT-10 15:38 (517)2411252
USCG DISTRICT 9 (COMMAND CENTER)
05-OCT-10 15:38 (216)9026109

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CALLER STATED THERE ARE ENDANGERED BIRDS, AND WILDLIFE IN THE PARK.

*** END INCIDENT REPORT #956102 ***

Report any problems by calling 1-800-424-8802
PLEASE VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT <http://www.nrc.uscg.mil>

Susan Hedman/R5/USEPA/US

To Richard Windsor, "Gina McCarthy", Cynthia Giles-AA, "Janet McCabe"

05/25/2011 09:45 AM

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Subject Fw: Activists protest atop Pilsen coal plant chimney

Here's a further "update" on the Fisk power plant. The Greenpeace action was reportedly timed to coincide with yesterday's Chicago hearing on the new air toxics standard -- and, unfortunately, completely eclipsed news coverage of a terrific hearing that was attended by busloads of representatives of environmental, social justice and faith-based groups from throughout the Midwest who were there to express strong support the new standard.

----- Original Message -----

From: Susan Hedman

Sent: 05/24/2011 10:17 PM MST

To: Susan Hedman

Subject: Activists protest atop Pilsen coal plant chimney

This story was sent to you by: Susan Hedman

Activists protest atop Pilsen coal plant chimney

Staff report

May 24 2011, 11:55 AM CDT

Eight Greenpeace activists were protesting today atop the smokestack of a Pilsen coal-fired power plant.

The complete article can be viewed at:

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chibrknews-activists-climb-300-foot-coal-plant-chimney-20110524,0,7014779.story>

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To Richard Windsor, "Gina McCarthy", "Janet McCabe", "Bob Perciasepe", Bob Sussman

01/22/2012 01:39 PM

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Subject Fw: Coal plants dominate list of Chicago's biggest polluters

Outstanding article in today's Trib. Gina is quoted and there are excellent graphics ranking the largest GHG emitters in the Chicago area.

I especially like the quote from Tom Wolf, director of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce Energy Council -- a group that I addressed a couple of months ago. Peabody and the owners of all of the Illinois coal-fired generators are members of this group. Wolf says the following about reducing emissions in the energy sector: "It's like a big ship that we can't turn on a dime, but we can create jobs if we do it right. Either we need to gradually shift away from coal, or coal needs to figure out how to significantly reduce emissions." Very encouraging.

----- Original Message -----

From: susan.hedman

Sent: 01/22/2012 10:19 AM PST

To: Susan Hedman

Subject: Coal plants dominate list of Chicago's biggest polluters

This story was sent to you by: Susan

Coal plants dominate list of Chicago's biggest polluters

2 plants in Pilsen, Little Village constitute the largest source of local greenhouse gas emissions, U.S. says

By Michael Hawthorne, Chicago Tribune reporter

January 22 2012

Fed by a steady stream of coal barges, the aging power plants that loom over Chicago's Little Village and Pilsen neighborhoods are by far the city's largest industrial sources of climate change pollution.

The complete article can be viewed at:

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/ct-met-greenhouse-gases-20120122,0,6304228.story>

Visit [chicagotribune.com](http://www.chicagotribune.com) at <http://www.chicagotribune.com>

Susan Hedman/R5/USEPA/US

To Richard Windsor

05/18/2011 01:07 PM

cc "Sarah Pallone", Janet Woodka, "Arvin Ganesan"

bcc

Subject This just in: DURBIN ASKS STATE OF ILLINOIS TO COMPLY WITH EPA DECISION ON WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR CHICAGO RIVER

FYI

Denise Gawlinski

----- Original Message -----

From: Denise Gawlinski

Sent: 05/18/2011 11:49 AM CDT

To: Susan Hedman; Bharat Mathur; Tinka Hyde; Timothy Henry; Linda Holst; Anne Rowan; Phillipa Cannon; Elissa Speizman; Cameron Davis; Robert Kaplan; Gary Prichard; Ronna Beckmann; Gloria Swanson; Naimah Karim; Arvin Ganesan; Sarah Pallone; Jack Bowles; Denis Borum

Subject: Fw: DURBIN ASKS STATE OF ILLINOIS TO COMPLY WITH EPA DECISION ON WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR CHICAGO RIVER

Durbin news release and letter to IEPA below.

Denise Gawlinski
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----- Forwarded by Denise Gawlinski/R5/USEPA/US on 05/18/2011 11:44 AM -----

From: "Collinson, Erin (Durbin)" <Erin_Collinson@durbin.senate.gov>
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Date: 05/18/2011 11:42 AM
Subject: FW: DURBIN ASKS STATE OF ILLINOIS TO COMPLY WITH EPA DECISION ON WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR CHICAGO RIVER

[Here you go!](#)

From: Mulka, Christina (Durbin)
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2011 12:33 PM
To: Mulka, Christina (Durbin)
Subject: DURBIN ASKS STATE OF ILLINOIS TO COMPLY WITH EPA DECISION ON WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR CHICAGO RIVER



For Immediate Release
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May 18, 2011

DURBIN ASKS STATE OF ILLINOIS TO COMPLY WITH EPA DECISION ON WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR CHICAGO RIVER

Senator briefed by EPA Administrator after environmental group names Chicago River among the ten most endangered rivers in the country

[WASHINGTON, D.C.] – After a briefing from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator, Lisa Jackson, U.S. Senator Dick Durbin (D-IL) today asked the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) to strengthen its water quality standards for the Chicago and Calumet Rivers as soon as possible. Yesterday, American Rivers – a national environmental group – named the Chicago River among the ten most endangered rivers in the country. The group estimates that sewage comprises roughly 70% of the water in Chicago River.

“We have an opportunity to save the Chicago River. A safe and healthy waterway will strengthen Chicago’s lakefront,” wrote Durbin. **“I would ask the IEPA to comply with the request made the by the U.S. EPA and adopt more stringent water quality standards to reflect the potential for recreational activities in the Chicago Area Waterway System and Lower Des Plaines River.”**

Last week, EPA Region V notified the State of Illinois that water quality standards for five segments of the Chicago and Calumet River must be upgraded to protect health and safety on the rivers. To attain this standard, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) of Greater Chicago will be required to disinfect sewage discharged into the waterway system from two treatment plants at Calumet and North Side. Every day, the MWRD releases 1.2 billion gallons of wastewater into the Chicago River. Chicago is the last major metropolitan area that does not disinfect its wastewater.

[Text of the letter below]

May 18, 2011

Lisa Bonnett
Interim Director
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
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Dear Director Bonnett:

I urge the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to strengthen water quality standards for segments of the Chicago Area Waterway System and the Lower Des Plaines River expeditiously, as requested by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in a letter dated May 11th.

Federal regulations require states to adopt water quality standards that provide "for recreation in and on water," unless recreational uses are found to be unattainable. The EPA's recent evaluation of the Chicago Area Waterway System and Lower Des Plaines River found substantial evidence to suggest that recreational activities are already occurring in and on these waterways.

As you know, Chicago is the only major U.S. city that does not disinfect its sewage. This has had a significant impact on water quality in the Chicago River and its tributaries. American Rivers, a national environmental group, recently named the Chicago River among the ten most endangered rivers in the country, because of the threat posed by sewage waste. The group estimates that undisinfecting wastewater comprises as much as 70 percent of the water in the Chicago River.

We have an opportunity to save the Chicago River. A safe and healthy waterway system will strengthen Chicago's lakefront. I ask the Illinois EPA to comply with the request made the by the U.S. EPA and adopt more stringent water quality standards to reflect the potential for recreational activities in the Chicago Area Waterway System and Lower Des Plaines River.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Durbin

Susan Hedman/R5/USEPA/US To Richard Windsor
11/07/2011 09:46 AM cc "Seth Oster"
bcc
Subject Fw: CSAPR

The City of Chicago will be filing in support today.

From: Susan Hedman
Sent: 11/07/2011 09:44 AM EST
To: "David Spielfogel" <david.spielfogel@cityofchicago.org>
Subject: Re: CSAPR

That's terrific.

One point we often stress is that air pollution standards reduce emergency room visits and sick days -- and create jobs.

For instance, we recently settled a case with NIPSCO that requires installation of air pollution controls at several coal-fired power plants -- which the company says will create 1000 jobs. And that doesn't count all of the jobs manufacturing pollution controls -- a sector that is a net exporter. Sargent and Lundy is a major manufacturer of air pollution control equipment.

We appreciate the City's support on this important issue.

From: "Spielfogel, David" [david.spielfogel@cityofchicago.org]
Sent: 11/07/2011 07:46 AM CST
To: Susan Hedman
Subject: CSAPR

Hi Susan. We are likely to file a motion today in support of EPA's promulgation of CSAPR. Anything you want us to particularly touch on in our release?

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David Spielfogel
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02/21/2011 12:41 PM

To Richard Windsor, Jose Lozano, Diane Thompson, Bob Perciasepe, Bob Sussman, Gina McCarthy, Joseph Goffman, Mathy Stanislaus, Lisa Feldt, Scott Fulton, Seth Oster, Brendan Gilfillan, David McIntosh, Michael Goo, Bicky Corman

cc KarenL Martin

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Subject Boiler MACT

The following seven actions have been signed by the Administrator:

1. Major Source Boilers [Boiler MACT]
2. Area Source Boilers
3. Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incinerators (CISWI)
4. Sewage Sludge Incineration (SSI)
5. Identification of Non-Hazardous Secondary Materials that are Solid Waste
6. Notice of Reconsideration for Major Sources, Area Sources, and CISWI
7. Completion of the Requirements to Promulgate Emissions Standards under Section 112(c)(3) and k(3)(B) and Section 112(c)(6) [Wrap-Up Notice]

**Veronica
Burley/DC/USEPA/US**
08/11/2011 11:37 AM

To
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Subject Interview with Michael Fletcher, US Hispanic Engineer and
Information Technology

Meeting

Date 08/25/2011

Time 04:00:00 PM to 04:20:00 PM

Chair Veronica Burley

Invitees

Required

Optional

FYI

Location Administrator's Office

Ct: Alisha Johnson (OEAAE) 564-4373

Phone interview

4:00-4:10 Prep

4:10-4:20 Interview

Staff: Brendan Gilfillan, Alisha Johnson (OEAAE)

Topics: The future of clean energy, the role of EPA in a political climate hostile to regulation, the aftermath of the Gulf oil spill, the importance of getting more Hispanics into STEM jobs, and the road that she took to her current job.

**Veronica
Burley/DC/USEPA/US**
11/16/2010 10:49 AM

To
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Subject Interview with Newsweek/Daniel Stone

Meeting

Date 11/22/2010

Time 02:00:00 PM to 02:30:00 PM

Chair Veronica Burley

Invitees

Required

Optional

FYI

Location Administrator's Office

Ct: Brendan Gilfillan (OEAAE) 564-2081

Interview Topics:

GHGs

Post-election Climate

**Veronica
Burley/DC/USEPA/US**
09/28/2010 10:41 AM

To
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Subject Interview with Politico (In person)

Meeting

Date 10/04/2010
Time 03:00:00 PM to 03:15:00 PM
Chair Veronica Burley
Invitees
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Optional
FYI
Location Administrator's Office
Ct: Brendan Gilfillan, 564-2081 (OEAAE)
Topic: Discuss Climate/GHGs

**Veronica
Burley/DC/USEPA/US**
10/05/2010 12:30 PM

To
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Subject Univision Interview

Meeting

Date 10/21/2010
Time 02:30:00 PM to 02:50:00 PM
Chair Veronica Burley
Invitees
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Ct: Betsaida Alcantara, Brendan Gilfillan (OEAAE)
Advance Ct: Clay Diette
Subject: Coal Ash

Bob Sussman/DC/USEPA/US@EPA To Richard Windsor
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07/21/2011 06:47 PM

Message from sender:

Good enviro press release on MTM guidance

EPA Issues Final Guidance on Mountaintop Removal Mining To Reaffirm the Clean Water Act and New Science

Guidance focuses on ensuring compliance with longstanding requirements where stronger oversight is essential to protect water quality and Appalachian communities

July 21, 2011

Washington, D.C. —

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July 21, 2011

Today the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued [final guidance](#) to assist its staff in meeting longstanding requirements of the Clean Water Act with regard to mountaintop removal coal mines in Appalachia. All mountaintop removal mines must be permitted under the Clean Water Act and must comply with the law, but recent research by EPA and scientists have found these projects create lasting, irreparable harm to streams and water quality.

The [final guidance](#) comes after a more than year-long process during which the EPA examined the science, completed new major scientific reports, received peer review, and considered 60,000 public comments. In addition to improving the agency's oversight and compliance with existing requirements of the law, the guidance reaffirms the essential role of science in evaluating proposed mountaintop removal mining permits. The final guidance is based on the latest peer-reviewed science on stream pollution and protection, including two comprehensive new scientific reports released by EPA this year that reveal information on how mountaintop removal mining harms the integrity of vital waters and natural resources. EPA's guidance is also based on tens of thousands of public comments that EPA considered and received during its notice-and-comment process in 2010.

Represented by Earthjustice and the Appalachian Center for the Economy and the Environment, seven conservation and social justice groups—the Sierra Club, Coal River Mountain Watch, Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition, West Virginia Highlands Conservancy, Kentuckians For The Commonwealth, Southern Appalachian Mountain Stewards, and Statewide Organizing for Community eMpowerment—have intervened in a coal mining industry lawsuit to support EPA's use of this guidance and its effort to follow the Clean Water Act, consider the latest science, and protect America's waters from destruction.

“We're glad to see Administrator Lisa Jackson follow through on her commitment to finalize this important staff guidance, which is a considerable step toward giving Appalachian communities their rightful protections under existing law and following sound science,” said **Joan Mulhern**, senior legislative counsel of **Earthjustice**.

“But clearly, as long as mountains are being blown up and leveled in Appalachia, streams are being buried with mining waste, and waters for communities are being contaminated, the Obama administration has more work to do in making sure that the government is following the Clean Water Act,” said **Mulhern**. “This is a strong first step, though, and we hope to see this followed up with serious implementation and a hard look at how much longer our federal government will allow mountains to be destroyed and Appalachian communities to suffer. This guidance is only as protective as its implementation and the test will be whether we finally see compliance with the Clean Water Act which prohibits significant degradation of our nation's waters.”

The EPA first released interim guidance in April 2010 for public comment after scientific breakthroughs offered new information on the lasting, irreparable harm from mountaintop removal mining. The EPA also found that there had been serious non-compliance in the permitting process with important existing legal requirements. In 2010, the EPA requested public comment while also implementing the interim guidance in Appalachia. The EPA stated that it would issue final guidance by 2011.

"In a time when some decision makers focus on scoring political points through empty rhetoric we congratulate Administrator Jackson and the EPA for using existing law and scientific findings to improve protection of Appalachia's communities and environment," said **Mary Anne Hitt**, director of **Sierra Club's Beyond Coal Campaign**. "We need EPA to finally ensure compliance with the Clean Water Act and bring an end to the nation's most destructive coal

mining practices."

"Of course we hoped for more, but given the current political climate in Washington, we have nothing but praise and gratitude for EPA finalizing this guidance and reaffirming the scientific support for their actions" added **Cindy Rank** of the **West Virginia Highlands Conservancy**. "Now more than ever the waters of Appalachia and we who depend on them need EPA to stand strong on our behalf."

Said **Rick Handshoe**, member of **Kentuckians For The Commonwealth**, whose Kentucky community is impacted by several coal mining operations and valley fills: "Every week I test the conductivity of the streams in my community, and the creek below a hollow fill and sediment pond never runs below 1500 micro-Siemens. Everything in the stream is dead because Kentucky officials are not doing their jobs. We need action today if we are to have any hope that our streams will one day recover."

Said **Dianne Bady**, co-director of the **Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition**, based in West Virginia: "This science-based guidance is absolutely necessary to safeguard clean water that still exists near current and proposed mountaintop removal mining operations. A healthy economy and healthy communities depend upon safe water. No community should ever again face the contamination of our precious water for short-term corporate gain."

Said **Vernon Haltom**, executive director of **Coal River Mountain Watch** in West Virginia: "In the absence of any meaningful regulation by state agencies, our communities must depend on the EPA to protect our lives, homes, and water. Now, the coal industry and their political allies are working to take away the EPA's ability to use law and science to protect us."

"The Appalachian people have waited long enough for protection of their waters from polluting companies," said **Debbie Jarrell**, assistant director of **Coal River Mountain Watch**. "This decision has come none too soon. Study after study is beginning to come out over the detrimental effects mountaintop removal has on our communities and those that live in them. For us it's not a matter of jobs or money, our very lives are depending on decisions that the EPA make."

"With issuance of this guidance, EPA is acknowledging the significant cumulative impacts that mountaintop removal mining has imposed upon Appalachian communities and landscapes," said **Cathie Bird**, of **Statewide Organizing for Community eMpowerment**, based in Tennessee. "The conductivity science shows we need full protection for our waters in Tennessee, as well as throughout Appalachia. We are confident that the science shows the need to fully protect our waters in Tennessee, specifically from selenium and other mountaintop removal mining wastes."

Said **Jane Branham** of **Southern Appalachian Mountain Stewards in Virginia**: "For far too long, and against great public outcry, Virginia's state regulatory agencies have worked hand in hand with the coal industry to approve more permits to destroy more mountains, streams and communities. We are appreciative of the EPA's efforts to end this devastating coal extraction practice and ask for their continued support. Further, it is absolutely essential that we have full protection for water quality here in Virginia. The destruction must end."

Further Information:

- [Final Guidance: Improving EPA Review of Appalachian Surface Coal Mining Operations Under the Clean Water Act, National Environmental Policy Act, and the Environmental Justice Executive Order](#)
- [Information on the EPA's Clean Water Act oversight of Appalachian surface mining activities](#)
- [Information on Appalachian groups' intervention to support EPA in lawsuit filed by the coal mining industry](#)
- Final EPA Scientific Reports on Water Quality and Mountaintop Removal Mining Pollution Impacts:
 - [Field-based Aquatic Life Benchmark \(2011\)](#)
 - [Effects of Mountaintop Mines/Valley Fills \(2011\)](#)
- [Final EPA Report: Review of Clean Water Act § 402 Permitting for Surface Coal Mines by Appalachian States \(2010\)](#)

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Subject Fw: Remarks by the President to EPA staff

This makes me happy!

From: White House Press Office [mailto:noreply@messages.whitehouse.gov]
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Subject: Remarks by the President to EPA staff

THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary
For Immediate Release January 10, 2012

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY STAFF

Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium
Washington, D.C.

2:51 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you! Thank you, EPA! (Applause.) Thank you, everybody. Thank you so much. It is wonderful to see you. It is great to see you. Thank you, thank you.

Now, everybody can have a seat. I know Lisa is making you guys all stand up. (Laughter.) But you can all relax.

It is wonderful to be here with all of you. Thank you so much for all the great work you do. I want to first acknowledge your outstanding Administrator, Lisa Jackson. (Applause.) She has done an extraordinary job leading this agency. But here's what I want all of you to know: Not only is she good on policy, not only is she tough and able to present the EPA's mission so effectively to the public, but she also has your back. (Applause.) She is an advocate on behalf of all the people who work so hard here at the EPA. And so you should know that your boss loves you, even if she doesn't always show it, I don't know. (Laughter.)

The main reason I'm here is simple: I just want to say thank you. I want to say thank you to each and every one of you, because the EPA touches on the lives of every single American every single day. You help make sure that the air we breathe,

the water we drink, the foods we eat are safe. You protect the environment not just for our children but their children. And you keep us moving towards energy independence.

And it is a vital mission. Over the past three years, because of your hard work, we've made historic progress on all these fronts. Just a few weeks ago, thanks to the hard work of so many of you, Lisa and I was able to announce new common-sense standards to better protect the air we breathe from mercury and other harmful air pollution. And that was a big deal. (Applause.) And part of the reason it was a big deal was because, for over 20 years, special interest groups had successfully delayed implementing these standards when it came to our nation's power plants. And what we said was: "Enough." It's time to get this done.

And because we acted, we're going to prevent thousands of premature deaths, thousands of heart attacks and cases of childhood asthma.

There are families that are going to be directly impacted in a positive way because of the work that you do. Because you kept fighting -- and some of you have been fighting this fight for a long time, long before I was here and long before Lisa was here. And so your tenacity and stick-to-it-ness is making a difference.

Because of you, across the board, we're cutting down on acid rain and air pollution. We're making our drinking water cleaner and safer. We're creating healthier communities. But that's not all. Safeguarding our environment is also about strengthening our economy. I do not buy the notion that we have to make a choice between having clean air and clean water and growing this economy in a robust way. I think that is a false debate. (Applause.)

Think about it: We established new fuel economy standards, a historic accomplishment that is going to slash oil consumption by about 12 billion barrels, dramatically reduces pollution that contributes to climate change, and saves consumers thousands of dollars at the pump, which they can then go spend on something else.

As part of the Recovery Act, you cleaned up contaminated sites across the country, which helped to rid neighborhoods of environmental blight while putting Americans back to work.

We don't have to choose between dirty air and dirty water or a growing economy. We can make sure that we are doing right by our environment and, in fact, putting people back to work all across America. That's part of our mission.

When we put in place new common-sense rules to reduce air pollution, we create new jobs building and installing all sorts of pollution-control technology. When we put in place new emissions standards for our vehicles, we make sure that the cars of tomorrow are going to be built right here in the United States of America, that we're going to win that race.

When we clean up our nation's waterways, we generate more tourists for our local communities. So what's good for the environment can also be good for our economy.

Now, that doesn't mean that there aren't going to be some tensions. That doesn't mean that there aren't going to be legitimate debates that take place. That doesn't mean that it's not important for every single one of us to think about how can we make sure that we are achieving our goals in the smartest way possible, in the most efficient ways possible, in the least bureaucratic ways possible, in the clearest ways possible. That's also part of our mission.

There's not a federal agency that can't get better and be smarter in accomplishing our mission, and we have an obligation every single day to think about how can we do our business a little bit better. How can we make sure the taxpayers are getting every dime's worth that they're paying in order to achieve these important common goals that we have?

But I believe we can do it, and you've shown me that we can do it over these last three years. So I could not be prouder of the work that you all do every single day as federal employees. I know the hours can be long. I know that sometimes spending time getting these policies right means less time at home than you'd like, and you're missing birthday parties, or you're missing a soccer game, and the spouse is not happy with you. I know a little bit about that sometimes. (Laughter.) I know these jobs are demanding.

But I also know what compelled you to enter public service in the first place -- and that's the idea that you could make a difference; that you could leave behind a planet that is a little cleaner, a little safer than the one we inherited.

And I have to tell you that part of why I get excited when I see some of the work that you're doing is because our next generation is so much more attuned to these issues than I was when I was growing up. I can tell you when I sit down and I talk to my kids, probably the area where they have the most sophisticated understanding of policy is when it comes to the environment. They understand that the decisions we make now are going to have

an impact on their lives for many years to come. And their instincts are right. So your mission is vital.

And just think of what this agency has been able to do over the last four decades. There's so many things we now take for granted. When I hear folks grumbling about environmental policy, you almost want to do a Back to the Future -- (laughter) -- kind of reminder of folks of what happens when we didn't have a strong EPA. The year before President Nixon created the EPA, the Cuyahoga River was so dirty from industrial pollution and oil slicks that it literally caught on fire. In my hometown, the Chicago River -- you probably could not find anything alive in there -- (laughter) -- four decades ago. Now it's thriving -- to the benefit of the city. Today, because of your work, 92 percent of Americans have access to clean water that meets our national health standards.

Before the EPA was created, our cars were spewing harmful lead pollution into the air, with all sorts of impacts, especially on children. Today, because of your work, air pollution is down by more than half, and lead pollution is down more than 90 percent from a generation ago.

So all of you, and all of those who served before you, have made a difference. Our environment is safer because of you. Our country is stronger because of you. Our future is brighter because of you. And I want you to know that you've got a President who is grateful for your work and will stand with you every inch of the way as you carry out your mission to make sure that we've got a cleaner world. (Applause.)

So, thank you. God bless you. God bless the United States of America. Thank you. (Applause.)

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To Richard Windsor
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Subject Tell CBS News: Don't Legitimize Discredited Fringe Groups

Richard --

We find ourselves in the odd position of needing to convince CBS News not to legitimize a viciously anti-gay, widely discredited, birther organization.

Accuracy In Media (AIM) recently announced that it will be giving its annual award to Sharyl Attkisson, a CBS News journalist, at this year's Conservative Political Action Conference. **Now don't let the name fool you, Accuracy In Media is not remotely concerned with accuracy and is actually a fringe group.** AIM's record includes:

- In the wake of a string of gay teen suicides, AIM attacked anti-bullying efforts, arguing that it was straight kids who were actually the victims of gay bullies citing "lesbian gangs assaulting innocent girls;" AIM was also a staunch defender of Uganda's 'Kill The Gays' legislation.
- AIM is a birther organization that, in spite of all evidence to the contrary, feeds the right-wing lie that President Obama was not born in the United States.
- AIM also peddles climate science misinformation, claiming that global warming is a "fraud" and even challenging the scientific fact that carbon dioxide is a "planet-heating pollutant."

Now to be clear, we're not making hay merely because AIM named a CBS News journalist as a recipient of this award. After all, CBS can't control what another organization does, let alone a fringe group. We didn't expect CBS News to treat AIM or this award seriously, let alone attend CPAC to accept it.

[Click Here To Tell CBS News not to legitimize discredited fringe groups.](#)

But yesterday, other news outlets began wondering about this award and asked CBS about it CBS glossed over AIM's despicable record and simply stated that its "journalists are regularly honored by a broad spectrum of organizations..." Adding insult to injury, it was subsequently confirmed that Attkisson will accept the award "in person" and deliver an 8-10 minute speech at the extreme right-wing CPAC gathering.

Of note and concern, CBS' Attkisson will be the first reporter from a mainstream network to receive the award. Attkisson's co-recipient this year is a Breitbart blogger and past recipients include Andrew Breitbart and Michelle Malkin.

By showing up to accept the award, CBS News lends credence to an otherwise discredited fringe organization and helps pave the way for wider acceptance of AIM when just the opposite should be the case.

We're asking CBS for a simple thing: to reconsider its decision to treat a fringe right-wing group seriously by accepting this award in person.

[CPAC starts later this week, so we'll need to act fast. Sign the letter and find additional ways that you can get active here: \[http://action.mediamatters.org/cbs_aim\]\(http://action.mediamatters.org/cbs_aim\)](#)

Thanks,

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Subject Who Is Fox's Bill Sammon?

March 31, 2011

Dear Richard,

Fox News insists that there's a difference between its "opinion" programming and its "news" programming. One top exec has been repeatedly proving his network wrong.

In exclusive new audio, *Media Matters for America* catches Fox News Washington managing editor Bill Sammon bragging that he repeatedly lied when he speculated on-air "about whether Barack Obama really advocated socialism," an allegation he privately found "rather far-fetched."

If you're looking for the walking embodiment of how Fox is a political attack machine disguised as a news network, look no further than Sammon, who has a pattern of using his position as a "news" editor to distort and slant the facts and push an ideological agenda.

[Click here to watch the video and get the word out about Bill Sammon.](#)

Speaking in 2009 onboard a pricey Mediterranean cruise sponsored by a right-wing college, Sammon described his public attempts the previous year to link Obama to "socialism" as "mischievous speculation." Sammon, who is also a Fox News vice president, acknowledged that he had "privately" believed that the socialism allegation was "rather far-fetched."

A *Media Matters* review found that Sammon -- then the network's Washington deputy managing editor -- linked Obama's "spread the wealth around" remarks to socialism in four separate October 2008 Fox appearances. And Sammon's "mischief" wasn't limited to his on-air appearances. As *Media Matters* reported, Sammon also pushed Fox News colleagues to play the socialism card.

In addition, multiple leaked emails to *Media Matters for America* show that Sammon pushes his political agenda into "news" programming on issues like climate change, health care, and the Middle East. He's even gone on right-wing talk radio to claim that President Obama has "controversial" views on "the white race."

Bill Sammon's position directing news coverage is a clear example of how Fox News hurts journalism. By making smears, falsehoods and attacks a higher priority than the facts, Sammon distorts our political process. It's Fox News' problem -- and ours.

[Click here to watch the video and get the word out about Bill Sammon.](#)

Thanks for your support in fighting Fox News' toxic effect on our national debate.

Ari Rabin-Havt

Executive Vice President,
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12/02/2010 04:41 PM

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Subject Fw: EPA News Release (HQ): EPA Marks 40th Anniversary

So that's what you were doing in atlanta. Cool!!! Hope your ceremony was great.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

December 2, 2010

EPA Marks 40th Anniversary

WASHINGTON – Today marked the 40th anniversary of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, an event commemorated both by EPA staff and by outside groups and individuals in a variety of ways throughout the week. Below is a list of the activities that took place and will continue to take place this week.

MONDAY

On Monday, the Aspen Institute - an international nonprofit dedicated to fostering enlightened leadership and open-minded dialogue – unveiled a list of 10 ways the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has strengthened America over the past 40 years. That list can be found at the institute's website – <http://www.aspeninstitute.org>. Administrator Jackson joined Aspen Institute President and CEO Walter Isaacson to discuss the list at event in Washington.

TUESDAY

On Tuesday, Administrator Jackson traveled to Atlanta to visit with EPA regional staff and sign an MOU with the Coretta Scott King Young Woman's Leadership academy to provide guest lecturers and project demonstrations and assist the school with their science and math program.

As part of the 40th celebration, the administrator also joined National Academy of Sciences President Ralph Cicerone at an event announcing an NAS study into how EPA can better incorporate sustainability into its programs.

Also on Tuesday, EPA's Mountain States and the South Central regional offices held educational events with former regional administrators to discuss the progress made in the past 40 years.

WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday, Administrator Jackson traveled to New York, where she again met with EPA regional staff and held an event with students from the New York Harbor School, who shared their environmental work with the administrator and employees from EPA's regional office.

EPA's Southwest and Mid-Atlantic offices also held events Wednesday, including an employee acknowledgement ceremony in the heart of Los Angeles and an employee reunion spanning EPA's 40 years in Philadelphia.

THURSDAY

Thursday – the anniversary of the day EPA opened its doors for business – Administrator Jackson held an event with EPA staff at headquarters that was also broadcast to the regional offices. Administrator Jackson was joined by Department of the Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, Department of Labor Secretary Hilda Solis and Department of Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood at the event. California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger also spoke to EPA employees via satellite. The full text of Administrator Jackson's remarks is below.

Also today, EPA will host an educational panel discussion in Seattle and an event highlighting interesting and unusual EPA jobs in New York City.

FRIDAY

Finally, tomorrow, December 3, Harvard University will hold a daylong conference in honor of EPA's 40th anniversary. There will be several panel discussions featuring representatives from EPA and other government bodies, academia and the non-profit and private sector.

EPA was officially created by President Richard Nixon on December 2, 1970, the result of a growing grassroots movement for clean air, clean water and clean land.

More information on EPA's 40th anniversary events: <http://www.epa.gov/40th>

Administrator Lisa P. Jackson

Remarks to EPA Staff at the 40th Anniversary Event at the Mellon Auditorium December 2, 2010

As prepared for delivery.

40 years ago today the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency opened its doors for the very first time. And what started four decades ago today began a history of tangible improvements to the health and the environment of the American people. Let me begin by saying that this is very special to me personally. I started my career at this agency. I came to EPA because of my love of science, and because I wanted to use that love of science to help people. I came to EPA because of the value I placed on the natural environment, after growing up on the Gulf Coast in New Orleans, living by the water and studying in the wetlands. And I came here because, after seeing events like Love Canal, I knew that EPA would give me a chance to come to work and serve people. As it is for so many of you, the protection of our health and the environment is not just my job – it's my lifelong passion.

I've seen EPA change and grow under three presidents and six different administrators. Since becoming Administrator I've had the chance to speak with some of my predecessors who have taught me a great deal about this job. Leaders like William Ruckelshaus, our first administrator. William Riley, Michael Leavitt, Christine Todd Whitman, and my colleague in the administration, Carol Browner. It is my pleasure and my privilege to follow in their footsteps and to lead this agency on the occasion of our 40th anniversary.

As you know, today culminates a year of events to mark this milestone. We had a truly excellent Speakers Series that brought in environmental chefs to talk about sustainable food, environmental authors to discuss their books, great thinkers like Thomas Friedman and Amory Lovins, actors and entertainers with environmental messages and distinguished moderators like Gwen Ifill. Earlier this year, we commemorated the success of the Clean Air Act – obviously one of the major parts of EPA's 40-year history. And across the country our Regional offices have been marking this occasion. This week I've spoken to everyone from students to EPA staff in Georgia and New York. Tomorrow I'll be heading off to Boston to visit our regional offices there and to be part of Harvard University's commemoration of EPA's 40th birthday.

At a meeting with the National Academies of Science we looked back at our 40 years of successes, and then looked ahead by initiating a process for the National Academies to help us increase sustainability in our work. I was also invited to the Aspen Institute, a leading think tank that brought together leaders from the history of this movement to highlight 10 ways the EPA has made America stronger. These are initiatives that every one of you has probably had a hand in. Those include:

Removing Lead from Gasoline and from the Air – a change that has saved hundreds of thousands of lives. Removing the Acid from Rain – an innovative, cost-effective effort EPA undertook to handle a complex challenge. Clearing Secondhand Smoke – which helped children and families and everyone else live healthier lives. Vehicle Efficiency and Emissions Control – thanks to EPA, cars today are far cleaner than they were a generation ago. Controlling Toxic Substances – a critical children's health issue. Banning Widespread Use of DDT – the subject of Rachel Carson's book *Silent Spring*; a chemical that was reported to be in nearly every meal in America; a toxin that almost wiped out our national symbol, the bald eagle; banned because of EPA's efforts. Rethinking Waste as Materials – an effort that continues to grow in both utility and importance, especially as we deal more and more with electronic wastes. A Clean Environment for All/Environmental Justice – an issue that ensures we are reaching every single community, helping them see their stake in a clean environment, and empowering them to get there. Cleaner Water – something every American holds dear and one of the places where EPA touches our daily lives the most. And The "Community Right to Know" Act – an essential part of the work we do.

All of this – the year of events, today's special guests and the cabinet members who came to thank you, the Aspen list and the many other expressions of support and gratitude from individuals and environmental groups – is for you. And as we look back 40 years, let me pause a moment to say thank you for the last two years. Since January of 2009 this agency has accomplished incredible things.

We have built a strong foundation for the seven priorities that will shape EPA's future in the next 40 years. We are Taking Action on Climate Change through the Endangerment Finding and the clean cars program. We are Improving Air Quality with tough new standards for smog, the first national limits to reduce mercury from cement plants and the first new standards for NO₂ in 35 years. We are Assuring the Safety of Chemicals with specific action plans for managing widely-used chemicals. We are Cleaning Up Communities, primarily through swift implementation of the Recovery Act. That effort funded numerous Superfund and Brownfields cleanups, along with investments in water infrastructure, clean diesel technology, and repairs to leaking underground storage tanks. We are Protecting America's Waters with new levels of engagement in the Chesapeake Bay, the Great Lakes, Puget Sound and the Gulf of Mexico. WE are Expanding the Conversation on Environmentalism and Working for Environmental Justice by welcoming new voices to these discussions and issuing guidance on how every office can incorporate EJ into their decision making. And last but certainly not least, Building Strong State

and Tribal Partnerships by working closely with our partners at the state level and relocating our Tribal initiatives into the Office of International and Tribal Affairs.

You have done incredible work. I thank you for that. The highest honors of this 40th anniversary go to the people of this agency. And that is what I want to do today: honor you. You have seen and heard over the course of this event the thoughts of your co-workers on what it means to work at EPA. That is what I want to share with you today. I want to talk about the people who make this place what it is.

Some of you decided long ago that you wanted to protect the environment. Like the young woman who determined in the 7th grade that she wanted to work at EPA, and today serves in our Region 8 office. We have a colleague in Region 5 who learned about the ozone layer in 3rd grade and never considered another career path than the one that brought him to EPA.

One employee in the Superfund Division used to play on the shores of Jamaica Bay in New York, where her mother warned her not to touch the polluted water. At nine years old, she took samples with an eye dropper and put them under her microscope. She said, "Just like Derek Jeter knew he wanted to be a New York Yankee as a child, I knew I wanted to be a scientist and work for EPA." She started with EPA as a summer intern in 1985 and is still working here today. She said, "I'm still thinking about contaminated water. Forty years ago, I couldn't do much about it. But, over the past twenty-five years, I have."

In the last 40 years, many members of our workforce have come to EPA because of the events in their own lives. Some of you experienced asthma as children, or like me, have a family member who fights this disease. My youngest son has asthma – and I'm grateful every day for EPA's work to keep the air clean around our home, his school, our church and everywhere we go.

Maybe you're like our co-worker in OCSPP, who has been at EPA for 32 years and believes she's making up for the damage her Great Grandfather did as a gold rusher decades ago. Maybe your story is similar to that of our colleague who learned to swim in Lake Michigan, and came back one summer to find a beach covered with dead fish. When that happened, she said, "on that beach I made a decision to devote my life to working for environmental protection." She serves today in Region 8 and has been with EPA for 22 years. Or perhaps you're like the young man who started at EPA just two years ago. His mother was diagnosed with leukemia, part of a cancer cluster around a chemically polluted river near her childhood home. EPA helped clean up the river and removed the threat to future generations. Today his mother is in remission, and he has never forgotten EPA's efforts. He said, "When I come to work every day, I remember what EPA did for my mother and her friends...If I have been able to make a difference for at least one community in my time with the Agency, then I have succeeded at paying it forward for what EPA has done to help my mom."

Many of you have shared stories of the progress you witnessed here at EPA. For example, a Brownfields cleanup in Milwaukee's Menominee Valley. It began in 1998 as a contaminated lot and today is home to soccer fields, a biking trail and a business park that is about to welcome a wind turbine manufacturer. Or a Superfund site in Joplin, Missouri, where EPA removed 100-foot-high piles of mining waste. Since 1991 EPA and the responsible parties there have provided about 500 households with public water supplies, cleaned up day care centers, schools and about 2,600 residential yards with lead-contaminated soils.

A woman working with the Tools for Schools program on indoor air heard reports from a school nurse that simple changes have reduced by half the number of kids coming to the office for their asthma inhalers. Another woman, a 30-year agency veteran, said her favorite project was in Libby, Montana – a community already facing high levels of exposure to asbestos. She was part of the EPA team that helped replace dirty-burning wood stoves in Libby and reduced particle pollution enough for the area to attain the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for particulate matter. We even heard from a 20-year agency veteran whose top EPA memory is from a project he didn't even work on. As he was driving home from a wildlife refuge, he passed his old hometown – the city where he grew up and went to college. He was proud to see a sign on the local wastewater treatment plant that read "Funded by a grant from USEPA."

He said, "it was nice to see the Agency I work so hard for all these years do something good for the poor city in which I grew up."

Many of you have also worked with EPA through hard times, including incidents like the BP spill. This was one of the greatest challenges this agency has ever faced. Many of you gave up nights and weekends and birthdays and holidays to be part of the response. Some people gave up their entire summer, and are still hard at work today. EPA's history is made in these challenging moments – and we are all part of this moment in our history. I would like today to recognize everyone who took part in the BP spill response. I ask you to please stand.

There is another group I want to recognize as well. On July 26 – a few months after the BP spill began – a 30-inch oil pipeline ruptured near Marshall, Michigan. The release was estimated at more than 800,000 gallons of oil. The spill made its way into the Kalamazoo River, heading towards Lake Michigan. But within two days the spill was contained – approximately 80 river miles from the Lake. That success was thanks in no small part to the quick work of EPA. Even while we had enormous resources tied up on the Gulf Coast, our workers stepped up to address yet another emergency. And they did so with extraordinary skill. I'm happy today to recognize those workers in Region 5 and beyond.

The 40-year history of EPA is a history of people like us. These are your stories. We are all part of this, from the individuals who started 3 months ago, to our charter members – who are here with us today in the front row – to the people who have been here 39 or 35 or 20 or 10 years.

Let me close with the words of one of our colleagues from the air office, who is retiring tomorrow after 37 years with EPA. Of his years as part of this agency he said, "I will always be proud to have been a part of one of America's greatest endeavors." Our people – all of you – made the last 40 years so incredible. Our work as One EPA is the foundation for our next four decades of success. At 40 years old, EPA should be ready to perform at a higher level than ever before. The future of this agency is in all of you – those who make an extraordinary difference, day in and day out. I am proud to be with you today, and to come to work by your side every day. Thank you very much. Happy 40th anniversary.

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Massachusetts Grocery Store Sets New National Environmental Benchmark

WASHINGTON – Star Market at Chestnut Hill in Newton, Mass. is the first grocery store in the nation to receive the EPA's GreenChill Partnership platinum store award. The advanced refrigeration technology in the new store, which is part of the Shaw's line of supermarkets, significantly reduces its impact on climate change and the stratospheric ozone layer by cutting the use of refrigerants by 85 percent compared with the typical supermarket.

"Supermarkets and their customers know that it's cool to earn the EPA's GreenChill Store certification, but the only way to describe the first platinum-level GreenChill supermarket in the nation is, 'wicked cool,'" said Gina McCarthy, assistant administrator for EPA's Office of Air and Radiation. "This store

shows that smart design and advanced technologies help us right now to better protect our climate, the ozone layer, and our health.”

The GreenChill Advanced Refrigeration Partnership is an EPA cooperative alliance with the supermarket industry to promote advanced technologies, strategies, and practices that reduce refrigerant charges and emissions of ozone-depleting substances and greenhouse gases.

GreenChill partners emit about 50 percent less emissions than the industry average, and have pledged to continually lower them as part of the program. EPA estimates that if every supermarket in the nation joined GreenChill and reduced emissions to the current GreenChill average, the U.S. would prevent 22 million metric tons of carbon dioxide and 240 tons of ozone-depleting substances annually, and save \$108 million in refrigerant costs each year. GreenChill has 46 partners, with more than 6,500 retail food stores in 47 states.

More information on the GreenChill Advanced Refrigeration Partnership:

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Sotomayor: Obama's Supreme Court Pick and the Cost of Environmental Protection

Now that Sonia Sotomayor has gone from presumptive front-runner to official nominee for the Supreme Court, what's that mean for environmental issues?



President Obama and Sonia Sotomayor (AP)

Much of the [fireworks](#) surrounding Ms. Sotomayor's work on the Second Court of Appeals centers on the controversial affirmative-action ruling in Connecticut. But she also wrote the opinion in one big environmental case—one the Supreme Court just [overturned](#).

In 2007, Ms. Sotomayor sided with the fishes and against power companies and the Environmental Protection Agency. That is, in *Riverkeeper vs. EPA*, she argued that the EPA can't weigh costs and benefits in deciding what the "best technology" is for protecting fish that get sucked into power plants.

In a nutshell, there's no point in tallying up the marginal costs of extra environmental protections when Congress has already decided they're worth it. From her 2007 [decision](#):

The Agency is therefore precluded from undertaking such cost-benefit analysis because the [best technology available] standard represents Congress's conclusion that the costs imposed on industry in adopting the best cooling water intake structure technology available (i.e., the best-performing technology that can be reasonably borne by the industry) are worth the benefits in reducing adverse environmental impacts.

In April, the Supreme Court [overturned](#) that decision in a 6-3 ruling; justice David Souter, who Ms. Sotomayor would replace, was one of the dissenters. The Supremes ruled that the EPA could in fact tally up the costs of environmental protections. "Best technology" means the technology that most effectively ensures environmental protections, not that would provide environmental protections at any cost.

It's an important point, and is likely to become even more important as Congress, the White House, and the EPA grapple with much wider environmental regulations, in the shape of climate-change policies.

When industries first start cleaning up, there's plenty of low-hanging fruit—big advances that can be made cheaply. Complications arise the more industries clean up: Getting the last few tons

of carbon emissions out of a smokestack, for instance, might be prohibitively expensive compared with cleaning up the first 90%.

So there is likely to be plenty more wrangling in the future over just how stringent environmental protections have to be—and at what cost they will come. Judge Sotomayor, if she is confirmed, has already hinted where she stands on that issue.

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Markell Nominates Climate Prosperity Leader to Head DNREC
Advocates praise bold choice of "true environmental champion"
WILMINGTON * Following through on his commitment to fight for Delaware's
environmental health and welfare, Gov. Jack Markell announced on Tuesday
he will be nominating Collin O'Mara -- a nationally recognized climate
prosperity expert -- to be his administration's Secretary of Natural
Resources and Environmental Control.
If confirmed by the Senate, *O'Mara will be stepping down from his
position with the nearly 100,000-resident City of San Jose. He has been
responsible for implementing San Jose's Green Vision program, an
ambitious plan to marry environmental sustainability with economic
development in the epicenter of Silicon Valley. O'Mara's stewardship of
the program is credited with attracting more than 50 clean technology
companies and attracting more than 3,000 jobs.
"When I was sworn in, I took an oath to protect Delaware's precious
natural resources," Markell said. "Nominating Collin O'Mara lives up to
that oath. I am confident that he will be a tireless advocate for

Delaware's environment and a responsible steward of our resources. If confirmed, he will lead my administration's efforts to put environmental sustainability at the forefront of our public policy discussions. That work will not only improve the quality of our air, land and soil, but it will also help our economy because our environmental and economic health are intertwined. The success of one should lead to the success of the other, and Collin is a national leader in this field."

Even as our economy transitions to cleaner energy, enforcement of traditional energy and industries must be diligently pursued, Markell said, adding that "Collin will be a strong protector of our precious natural assets and will ensure DNREC fulfills its obligation to regulate polluters. His experience in making government more effective and efficient is also critical as we work with legislators to close the historic budget shortfall facing us."

O'Mara's commitment to protecting the environment has impressed advocates in Delaware and around the country.

"Collin O'Mara understands the challenges climate change will be bringing to Delaware, has been a strong advocate for environmental protections and has experience in renewable energy and efficiency that will help Delaware move forward toward a more sustainable future," said Debbie Heaton, a long-time leading environmental activist in Delaware. "I think he will be a great Secretary and look forward to working with him as we address the significant environmental issues facing our state."

Before coming to San Jose in 2006, O'Mara served as the assistant director of management and budget for the City of Syracuse (NY), where he saved taxpayers millions of dollars by better tracking public expenditures and services. After graduating from Dartmouth, O'Mara was named a Marshall Scholar and earned a Masters in Philosophy, Politics and Economics from Oxford University and a Masters of Public Administration from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University. He recently completed Stanford Business School's Executive Management Program in Business Strategies for Environmental Sustainability.

"Governor Markell is building a national reputation as an innovator who is willing to tackle difficult problems head-on. I am honored by the opportunity to be nominated and the chance, if confirmed, to get to work for the people of Delaware," O'Mara said. "As an outdoorsman I cannot wait to explore Delaware's beautiful state parks and to cast a line in one of Delaware's many lakes, ponds and streams."

San Jose Mayor Chuck Reed called O'Mara the "driving force" behind the city's Green Vision program, which established ten bold goals for job creation, renewable energy, energy efficiency, green building, recycling, water recycling and zero-emission vehicles to create a market for green products and spur green economic development.

"His balance of idealism and pragmatism has encouraged business and community leaders to look at the opportunities that environmental sustainability offers for creating economy prosperity," Reed said. "While Collin will be sorely missed, he has helped us launch this vision for future success and can do the same for the people of Delaware."

O'Mara also has experience making government more effective and more efficient, which is critical in the face of the historic challenges Delaware state government must address. While working for the City of Syracuse, New York, O'Mara managed the SyraStat project that saved local taxpayers more than \$14 million over two years and improved the delivery of key services.*'

"Collin O'Mara has displayed exceptional leadership qualities.* He understands the important role accountability plays in the efficient management and delivery of government services," said Syracuse Mayor

Matthew Driscoll. "I am sure he will bring that background to promoting sustainable practices and clean technology solutions. His vision, passion, intellect, and collaborative style make him a perfect choice for Secretary of Natural Resources and Environmental Control and I am confident that he will do great things for the State of Delaware." O'Mara's work to foster environmentally friendly economic development has won praise from a broad array of environmental advocates and members of the business community.

Margaret Bruce, U.S. Western Regional Director of The Climate Group said: "Collin O'Mara is a true environmental champion. He has a clear vision for what a sustainable world with a low-carbon economy can look like and the skill-set to help move Delaware into a national leadership position. He possesses the rare and valuable talent of seeing the world through the lens of the possible, not the established or ideological. His strong environmental and social ethos blends with a cool head, a keen mind, and a knack for problem solving [and would] serve as Secretary of Natural Resources and Environmental Control with distinction."

Jeffrey Finkle, President and CEO of the International Economic Development Council said: "Collin O'Mara has a clear vision for ending our dependence on foreign oil and addressing climate change in a way that will accelerate our recovery out of the current recession and strengthen the America economy for generations to come. He understands the potential for bold environmental leadership to create unparalleled job creation opportunities, new domestic wealth, an improved trade deficit, and long-term economic security."

Bob Baugh, Executive Director of the AFL-CIO Industrial Union Council, said: "Collin O'Mara brings both vision and common sense to making environmental economic development policy a reality. His work in San Jose embraced an environmental innovation agenda that recognizes that everyone from workers with a high school education to PhD's have something to contribute to a cleaner planet. His effort to challenge old assumptions, champion new business models and to link new manufacturing opportunities to Silicon Valley's R&D expertise is the base for broadly shared prosperity. The Governor has made an excellent choice."

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Heartland Institute facing uncertain future as staff depart and cash dries up

Free-market thinktank's conference opens in Chicago with president admitting defections are hurting group's finances

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The first Heartland Institute conference on climate change in 2008 had all the trappings of a major scientific conclave ? minus large numbers of real scientists. Hundreds of climate change contrarians, with a few academics among them, descended into the banquet rooms of a lavish Times Square hotel for what was purported to be a reasoned debate about climate change.

But as the latest Heartland climate conference opens in a Chicago hotel on Monday, the thinktank's claims to reasoned debate lie in shreds and its financial future remains uncertain.

Heartland's claims to "stay above the fray" of the climate wars was exploded by a billboard campaign earlier this month comparing climate change believers to the Unabomber Ted Kaczynski, and a document sting last February that revealed a plan to spread doubt among kindergarteners on the existence of climate change.

Along with the damage to its reputation, Heartland's financial future is also threatened by an exodus of corporate donors as well as key members of staff.

In a fiery blogpost on the Heartland website, the organisation's president Joseph Bast admitted Heartland's defectors were "abandoning us in this moment of need".

Over the last few weeks, Heartland has lost at least \$825,000 in expected funds for 2012, or more than 35% of the funds its planned to raise from corporate donors, according to the campaign group Forecast the Facts [<http://forecastthefacts.org/sponsors/heartland-institute/>], which is pushing companies to boycott the organisation.

The organisation has been forced to make up those funds by taking its first publicly acknowledged donations from the coal industry. The main Illinois coal

lobby is a last-minute sponsor of this week's conference, undermining Heartland's claims to operate independently of fossil fuel interests.

Its entire Washington DC office, barring one staffer, decamped, taking Heartland's biggest project, involving the insurance industry, with them.

Board directors quit, conference speakers cancelled at short-notice, and associates of long standing demanded Heartland remove their names from its website. The list of conference sponsors shrank by nearly half from 2010, and many of those listed sponsors are just websites operating on the rightwing fringe.

"It's haemorrhaging," said Kert Davies, research director of Greenpeace, who has spent years tracking climate contrarian outfits. "Heartland's true colours finally came through, and now people are jumping ship in quick order."

It does not look like Heartland is about to adopt a corrective course of action.

In his post, Bast defended the ads, writing: "Our billboard was factual: the Unabomber was motivated by concern over man-made global warming to do the terrible crimes he committed." He went on to describe climate scientist Michael Mann and activist Bill McKibben as "madmen".

The public unravelling of Heartland began last February when the scientist Peter Gleick lied to obtain highly sensitive materials [<http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/2012/feb/15/leak-exposes-heartland-institute-climate>], including a list of donors.

The publicity around the donors' list made it difficult for companies with public commitment to sustainability, such as the General Motors Foundation, to continue funding Heartland. The GM Foundation soon announced it was ending its support of \$15,000 a year.

But what had been a gradual collapse gathered pace when Heartland advertised its climate conference with a billboard on a Chicago expressway comparing believers in climate science to the Unabomber.

The slow trickle of departing corporate donors turned into a gusher.

Even Heartland insiders, such as Eli Lehrer, who headed the organisation's Washington group, found the billboard too extreme. Lehrer, who headed the biggest project within Heartland, on insurance, immediately announced his departure along with six other staff.

"The ad was ill advised," he said. "I'm a free-market conservative with a long rightwing resum? and most, if not all, of my team fits the same description and of us found it very problematic. Staying with Heartland was simply not workable in the wake of this billboard."

Heartland took down the billboard within 24 hours, but by then the ad had gone viral.

Lehrer, who maintains the split was amicable, said the billboard had undermined Heartland's claims to be a serious conservative thinktank.

"It didn't reflect the seriousness which I want to bring to public policy," Lehrer said in the telephone interview. "As somebody who deals mostly with insurance I believe all risk have to be taken seriously and there certainly are some important climate and global warming related risks that must be taken

account of in the insurance market. Trivialising them is not consistent with free-market thought. Suggesting they are only thought about by people who are crazy is not good for the free market."

Other Heartland allies came to a similar conclusion. In a letter to Heartland announcing he was backing out from the conference, Ross McKittrick, a Canadian economist wrote: "You can not simultaneously say that you want to promote a debate while equating the other side to terrorists and mass murderers."

A number of other experts meanwhile began cutting their ties with Heartland, according to a tally kept by a Canadian blogger BigCityLiberal [<http://bigcitylib.blogspot.com/>].

Meanwhile, there was growing anger that Bast failed to consult with colleagues before ordering up the Kaczynski attack ads.

Four board members told the Guardian they had not been consulted in advance about the ad. "I did not have prior approval of the billboard and was in favor of discontinuing the billboard when I was made aware of it," Jeff Judson, a Texas lobbyist and board member wrote in an email.

Could the turmoil and discontent at Heartland eventually prove its undoing? Campaigners would certainly hope so. "We are watching the consequences of organisation that acts quite randomly and that is actually an extremist organisation in the end," said Davies. "They are not built to be at the hump of the climate denial movement."

But while more mainstream corporate entities are deserting Heartland, others are stepping into the breach, including the coal lobby and conservative groups such as the Heritage Foundation.

Both the Illinois Coal Association and Heritage stepped in to fund this week's conference, after other corporate donors began backing out in protest at the offensive Kaczynski ad.

Meanwhile, a Greenpeace analysis of the other smaller conference sponsors suggests they have collectively received \$5m in funds from Exxon and other oil companies.

The Coal Association and Heritage were not listed on the original conference sponsor list, but appeared to come in about a week or so after the appearance of the offending Kaczynski ad.

Phil Gonet, the chief lobbyist for the 20 coal companies in the association, said he had no qualms about stepping in to fund the Heartland conference.

"We support the work they are doing and so we thought we would finally make a contribution to the organisation," he said, calling criticism of the ad "moot", "pointless" and "absurd".

Gonet went on: "I made a contribution mainly in support of a conference that is designed to make balanced information available to the public on the issue of global warming? In general, the message of the Heartland Institute is something the Illinois Coal Association supports."

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To Richard Windsor
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Subject Beck's Last Day

June 30, 2011

Dear Richard,

Finally! After two long years of extremism, race baiting, lies, and conspiracy theories that have divided our country, Glenn Beck is ending his nightly Fox News show.

But the fight against right-wing misinformation on the airwaves is far from over. Every day, we watch the dishonesty, bias, and political manipulation on Fox News and throughout the right-wing media. And we work to prevent the destructive impact it has on every national debate from health care to immigration reform, from climate change to LGBT rights.

Now is not a time to sit back; it's a time to ramp up. Can you chip in to support our work?

[Make your donation today.](#)

Beck's departure from his Fox show didn't just happen -- this moment is the result of constant monitoring, meticulous fact-checking, and our dogged exposure of Beck's toxic falsehoods and attacks.

We've worked every day to make sure reputable journalists, political leaders, and potential advertisers understood what kind of poison Beck injected into the debate. In the end, Beck lost his ratings, his relevance and, as advertisers departed, revenue for Fox News. And we were able to show the world that hate doesn't pay.

Still, our job is far from over. Beck was just one of many right-wing media outlets peddling misinformation and hate. And Fox News continues to package a right-wing political agenda as news every single day.

From Beck's claim that Obama was a "racist" who "hates white people" to his role in inspiring a gunman's attempted attack on progressive institutions, from his efforts to oust administration officials through smear campaigns to his exploitation of the Holocaust, *Media Matters for America* has been there to respond in real time to Beck's extremism and lies. With your help, we'll continue to fight against misinformation and hate on the airwaves around the clock. It won't be easy, but Beck's departure shows that, with your help, we can change the media environment for the better.

[Make your donation today.](#)

Thank you for your support. Without you, we couldn't keep up this important work.

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Subject Orbitz Does the Right Thing -- Let's Keep It Going

June 10, 2011

Dear Richard,

This week, we got the good news that Orbitz has responded to the concerns of its customers and agreed to uphold its values. Thanks to your efforts, Orbitz has agreed to undergo a review process. They're going to review the examples we gave them of slurs against the LGBT community and environmental misinformation to ensure that how they distribute their ad dollars no longer conflicts with their stated standards of responsibility.

Orbitz is setting an example by doing the right thing here -- and we need to make sure other advertisers get the message.

[Tell Fox News advertisers it's time to Drop Fox.](#)

Every day, the advertisers who sponsor Fox News programming give financial support to a divisive and deliberately dishonest political operation. Fox's climate science misinformation, race-baiting, anti-LGBT attacks and smears against the Latino community are irresponsible and unacceptable for any self-described news network. Advertisers need to know that their dollars are supporting Fox News' campaign of deception and we need your help in informing them about the consequences of supporting Fox.

[Tell Fox News advertisers it's time to Drop Fox.](#)

Moving forward, we'll be reaching out to other Fox advertisers to let them know why they shouldn't sponsor Fox News. The most important thing they can hear is that there's a strong coalition of organizations and individuals coming together in this essential education effort. Thanks again for your support -- none of this can happen without your help.

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Subject Standing up to Fox

May 24, 2011

Dear Richard,

Fox News has shown us that there's only one way to hold them accountable -- by hitting them right at the bottom line.

That's why we've launched the Drop Fox campaign. We want to change the way Fox does business -- by making it clear who's sponsoring them and what those ads dollars are supporting.

[Join the effort here.](#)

By sponsoring Fox News, advertisers are financially supporting a political operation that masquerades as a news network. Advertisers are also associating their brands with Fox News' reckless vitriol, race-baiting, anti-LGBT bigotry, and deliberate spreading of misinformation. The effort is fueled by a wide range of individuals and organizations united in urging accountability for Fox News.

Here's what Fox advertisers are paying to put on the air:

- The promotion of vicious homophobia, anti-LGBT misinformation, and extreme anti-gay figures
- Blatant race-baiting, from Glenn Beck's 2009 pronouncement that Obama is a "racist" with a "deep seated hatred for white people" to Fox's embrace of the "birther" myth and the promotion of false, racially charged controversies like the New Black Panther story
- Attacks on climate science and promotion of misinformation about the environment -- including an order to staff from a "news" editor to cast doubt on scientific facts
- Outright promotion of Republican talking points and candidates masked as news

coverage

We're looking to raise \$50,000 to support our efforts to research and reach out to Fox advertisers and get the word out about what their dollars pay for.

[DropFox.com](#) will list Fox News' key advertisers, compile well-researched reasons to drop Fox, and coordinate efforts to urge sponsors to stop financially supporting Fox News until Fox reforms its behavior.

We need your help to keep up this important effort. [**Will you join us with a tax-deductible contribution to support our work at Media Matters for America?**](#)

Thanks as always for your support.

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Subject Tell MSNBC To Sanction Pat Buchanan

October 25, 2011

Dear Richard,

MSNBC has a Pat Buchanan problem and it's time they stop ignoring it.

This week Buchanan, a paid MSNBC analyst, has appeared across the media promoting a new book. Here are just a few examples of his conduct during this publicity tour:

- Buchanan appeared on a "pro-white" radio program, where he attacked America's increasing diversity and warned that the country would face numerous problems when whites become a minority.[1]
- When pressed by a radio host to explain his warning that test scores will decline "as more and more of the children taking those tests will be African-American and Hispanic," Buchanan refused to disavow the idea that non-whites have inferior genes.[2]
- Buchanan argued that blacks and whites were more unified during segregation than they are today. [3]

The bigotry on display isn't all that surprising when you consider the book being promoted.

Buchanan's thesis is that America is "disintegrating" because "white America is an endangered species."

MSNBC has the power to send a message that it will not tolerate bigotry by its employees, on its airwaves or off.

[Tell MSNBC it's time to sanction Buchanan.](#)

In 2009, the Anti-Defamation League called Buchanan an "unrepentant bigot" and noted that he "increasingly demonizes Jews, blacks, and non-white immigrants." The ADL expressed concern over "national media outlets legitimiz[ing] Buchanan's decades-long history of anti-Semitism and bigotry by presenting him as a respectable source of political commentary and ignoring his publicly hateful statements and open affiliations with anti-Semites and racists." [4]

Indeed. And, Buchanan's recent tour has only reinforced the ADL's concerns.

[Tell MSNBC it's stop ignoring Buchanan's bigotry and sanctioning him.](#)

MSNBC has a record of holding its employees accountable.

Several years ago, the network dropped the simulcast of Don Imus' radio program citing "a very long list of inappropriate comments." [5]

And Buchanan has a long history of bigoted and inappropriate remarks.

- During the Nixon administration he reportedly informed the president that "Dr. King is one of the most divisive men in contemporary history." [6]
- In a 1989 column he implored the GOP to "take a hard look" at former KKK leader David Duke's "portfolio of winning issues." [7]
- Over the years, he has called gays and lesbians "sodomites" and said they are "literally hell-bent on Satanism and suicide"; called homosexuality a "disorder" that can be

handled with therapy; and said that in a "healthy society, it will be contained, segregated, controlled, and stigmatized." [8]

These are just a few among the many examples of Pat Buchanan's bigotry.

[Enough is enough. Tell MSNBC it's time to sanction Buchanan.](#)

You can help hold Pat Buchanan accountable by signing [a letter](#) to MSNBC's management and by spreading the word about this action.

Your participation matters.

Thanks,

Matt Butler

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Notes:

1: "Pat Buchanan Appears On "Pro-White" Radio Show Show." *Media Matters* , [10/13/11](#)

2: "Pat Buchanan Won't Disavow Idea That Minorities Have Inferior Genes." *Media Matters* , [10/21/11](#)

3: "Pat Buchanan: Blacks Have Lost The American Identity They Had During Segregation." *Media Matters* , [10/19/11](#)

4: "Patrick Buchanan: Unrepentant Bigot." *Anti-Defamation League* , [5/21/09](#)

5: "MSNBC drops simulcast of Don Imus show." *MSNBC.com* , [4/13/07](#)

6: "Pat Buchanan in His Own Words." *Fairness & Accuracy In Reporting* , [2/26/96](#)

7: "Pat Buchanan in His Own Words." *Fairness & Accuracy In Reporting* , [2/26/96](#)

8: "Pat Buchanan's History Of Anti-LGBT Bigotry." *Media Matters* , [10/24/11](#)

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Subject When they distorted, we reported.

Richard --

Who is at the top of the heap? Who was responsible for the worst conservative media misinformation of 2011?

Suffice it to say, there are plenty of candidates. You and *Media Matters* have been busy all year long pushing back against a constant stream of misinformation from the right-wing media.

We exposed the bigotry of Pat Buchanan, the deliberate deceit of Glenn Beck, the constant vitriol of Rush Limbaugh and many other right-wing media figures. But, when it's all said and done, none of them could compete with the shameless record of Rupert Murdoch and his News Corp empire. That's why *Media Matters* has named Murdoch the 2011 Misinformer of the Year.

It has been a busy 2011. And 2012 promises to be even more challenging for *Media Matters* and our truth-telling mission.

[Make a year-end donation to help Media Matters prepare for the truth-telling challenges of 2012.](#)

The work you've helped *Media Matters* do this year has hindered the ability of the right-wing media to manipulate public debate over critical issues. We've pushed back as conservative media outlets declared climate change a "hoax" and a "conspiracy." We've exposed their relentless smear campaign against the Occupy Wall Street movement.

We fought back with the truth when they lied about Planned Parenthood. We challenged their facts when they called Social Security a "Ponzi scheme." And we exposed their dishonesty when they tried to portray union leaders, members and supporters as "violent thugs."

Now, we need your year-end financial support as we prepare for 2012 and all the special challenges it will bring.

Don't let right-wing media distort public debate in 2012. Make a year-end donation now to support *Media Matters*' efforts to keep conservative misinformation in check:

<https://mediamatters.nationbuilder.com/donate>

We're gearing up for an action-packed year. And your participation in our year-end fundraising campaign will really help.

Best,

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Subject With your help, people won't fall for it.

Richard --

You and I both know that, in 2012, the right-wing's media machine will be using distortions and misinformation to shape the climate in which people make critical decisions about our country's future.

With your help, we'll make sure people don't fall for it. We'll expose and correct their lies at every turn – because there's one thing we know about the right-wing's media machine: They can't handle the truth.

But you can. And right now, the truth is [today is your last opportunity to make a tax-deductible year-end donation to Media Matters](#) .

Your gift of \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50 or more will help us get ready for all the challenges of the coming year. Thanks for doing all that you can.

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Byrd: Obama in power grab

By: John Bresnahan

February 25, 2009 10:34 AM EST

Sen. Robert Byrd (D-W.Va.), the longest-serving Democratic senator, is criticizing President Obama's appointment of White House "czars" to oversee federal policy, saying these executive positions amount to a power grab by the executive branch.

In a letter to Obama on Wednesday, Byrd complained about Obama's decision to create White House offices on health reform, urban affairs policy, and energy and climate change. Byrd said such positions "can threaten the Constitutional system of checks and balances. At the worst, White House staff have taken direction and control of programmatic areas that are the statutory responsibility of Senate-confirmed officials."

While it's rare for Byrd to criticize a president in his own party, Byrd is a stern constitutional scholar who has always stood up for the legislative branch in its role in checking the power of the White House. Byrd no longer holds the powerful Appropriations chairmanship, so his criticism does not carry as much weight these days. Byrd repeatedly clashed with the Bush administration over executive power, and it appears that he's not limiting his criticism to Republican administrations.

Byrd also wants Obama to limit claims of executive privilege while also ensuring that the White House czars don't have authority over Cabinet officers confirmed by the Senate.

"As presidential assistants and advisers, these White House staffers are not accountable for their actions to the Congress, to cabinet officials, and to virtually anyone but the president," Byrd wrote. "They rarely testify before congressional committees, and often shield the information and decision-making process behind the assertion of executive privilege. In too many instances, White House staff have been allowed to inhibit openness and transparency, and reduce accountability."

The West Virginia Democrat on Wednesday asked Obama to "consider the following: that assertions of executive privilege will be made only by the president, or with the president's specific approval; that senior White House personnel will be limited from exercising authority over any person, any program, and any funding within the statutory responsibility of a Senate-confirmed department or agency head; that the president will be responsible for resolving any disagreement between a Senate-confirmed agency or department head and White House staff; and that the lines of authority and responsibility in the administration will be transparent and open to the American public."

Obama faces a decision as early as next week on whether to support a claim of executive privilege made by former President Bush in refusing to allow Karl Rove, the former deputy White House chief of staff, to be deposed by the House Judiciary Committee on the White House's role in the 2006 firing of nine U.S. attorneys.

Bush claimed "absolute immunity" for top advisers in resisting such subpoenas, but Rep. John Conyers (D-Mich.), chairman of the Judiciary Committee, filed a lawsuit over the issue. The case is on appeal, and the Obama administration is scheduled to file a motion next week laying out its stance on the issue.

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Wonderful!

THE WHITE HOUSE
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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY STAFF

Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium
Washington, D.C.

2:51 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you! Thank you, EPA! (Applause.) Thank you, everybody. Thank you so much. It is wonderful to see you. It is great to see you. Thank you, thank you.

Now, everybody can have a seat. I know Lisa is making you guys all stand up. (Laughter.) But you can all relax.

It is wonderful to be here with all of you. Thank you so much for all the great work you do. I want to first acknowledge your outstanding Administrator, Lisa Jackson. (Applause.) She has done an extraordinary job leading this agency. But here's what I want all of you to know: Not only is she good on policy, not only is she tough and able to present the EPA's mission so effectively to the public, but she also has your back. (Applause.) She is an advocate on behalf of all the people who work so hard here at the EPA. And so you should know that your boss loves you, even if she doesn't always show it, I don't know. (Laughter.)

The main reason I'm here is simple: I just want to say thank you. I want to say thank you to each and every one of you, because the EPA touches on the lives of every single American every single day. You help make sure that the air we breathe, the water we drink, the foods we eat are safe. You protect the environment not just for our children but their children. And you keep us moving towards energy independence.

And it is a vital mission. Over the past three years, because of

your hard work, we've made historic progress on all these fronts. Just a few weeks ago, thanks to the hard work of so many of you, Lisa and I was able to announce new common-sense standards to better protect the air we breathe from mercury and other harmful air pollution. And that was a big deal. (Applause.) And part of the reason it was a big deal was because, for over 20 years, special interest groups had successfully delayed implementing these standards when it came to our nation's power plants. And what we said was: "Enough." It's time to get this done.

And because we acted, we're going to prevent thousands of premature deaths, thousands of heart attacks and cases of childhood asthma.

There are families that are going to be directly impacted in a positive way because of the work that you do. Because you kept fighting -- and some of you have been fighting this fight for a long time, long before I was here and long before Lisa was here. And so your tenacity and stick-to-it-ness is making a difference.

Because of you, across the board, we're cutting down on acid rain and air pollution. We're making our drinking water cleaner and safer. We're creating healthier communities. But that's not all. Safeguarding our environment is also about strengthening our economy. I do not buy the notion that we have to make a choice between having clean air and clean water and growing this economy in a robust way. I think that is a false debate. (Applause.)

Think about it: We established new fuel economy standards, a historic accomplishment that is going to slash oil consumption by about 12 billion barrels, dramatically reduces pollution that contributes to climate change, and saves consumers thousands of dollars at the pump, which they can then go spend on something else.

As part of the Recovery Act, you cleaned up contaminated sites across the country, which helped to rid neighborhoods of environmental blight while putting Americans back to work.

We don't have to choose between dirty air and dirty water or a growing economy. We can make sure that we are doing right by our environment and, in fact, putting people back to work all across America. That's part of our mission.

When we put in place new common-sense rules to reduce air pollution, we create new jobs building and installing all sorts of pollution-control technology. When we put in place new emissions standards for our vehicles, we make sure that the cars

of tomorrow are going to be built right here in the United States of America, that we're going to win that race.

When we clean up our nation's waterways, we generate more tourists for our local communities. So what's good for the environment can also be good for our economy.

Now, that doesn't mean that there aren't going to be some tensions. That doesn't mean that there aren't going to be legitimate debates that take place. That doesn't mean that it's not important for every single one of us to think about how can we make sure that we are achieving our goals in the smartest way possible, in the most efficient ways possible, in the least bureaucratic ways possible, in the clearest ways possible. That's also part of our mission.

There's not a federal agency that can't get better and be smarter in accomplishing our mission, and we have an obligation every single day to think about how can we do our business a little bit better. How can we make sure the taxpayers are getting every dime's worth that they're paying in order to achieve these important common goals that we have?

But I believe we can do it, and you've shown me that we can do it over these last three years. So I could not be prouder of the work that you all do every single day as federal employees. I know the hours can be long. I know that sometimes spending time getting these policies right means less time at home than you'd like, and you're missing birthday parties, or you're missing a soccer game, and the spouse is not happy with you. I know a little bit about that sometimes. (Laughter.) I know these jobs are demanding.

But I also know what compelled you to enter public service in the first place -- and that's the idea that you could make a difference; that you could leave behind a planet that is a little cleaner, a little safer than the one we inherited.

And I have to tell you that part of why I get excited when I see some of the work that you're doing is because our next generation is so much more attuned to these issues than I was when I was growing up. I can tell you when I sit down and I talk to my kids, probably the area where they have the most sophisticated understanding of policy is when it comes to the environment. They understand that the decisions we make now are going to have an impact on their lives for many years to come. And their instincts are right. So your mission is vital.

And just think of what this agency has been able to do over the last four decades. There's so many things we now take for

granted. When I hear folks grumbling about environmental policy, you almost want to do a Back to the Future -- (laughter) -- kind of reminder of folks of what happens when we didn't have a strong EPA. The year before President Nixon created the EPA, the Cuyahoga River was so dirty from industrial pollution and oil slicks that it literally caught on fire. In my hometown, the Chicago River -- you probably could not find anything alive in there -- (laughter) -- four decades ago. Now it's thriving -- to the benefit of the city. Today, because of your work, 92 percent of Americans have access to clean water that meets our national health standards.

Before the EPA was created, our cars were spewing harmful lead pollution into the air, with all sorts of impacts, especially on children. Today, because of your work, air pollution is down by more than half, and lead pollution is down more than 90 percent from a generation ago.

So all of you, and all of those who served before you, have made a difference. Our environment is safer because of you. Our country is stronger because of you. Our future is brighter because of you. And I want you to know that you've got a President who is grateful for your work and will stand with you every inch of the way as you carry out your mission to make sure that we've got a cleaner world. (Applause.)

So, thank you. God bless you. God bless the United States of America. Thank you. (Applause.)

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Subject WashPost Article

Future Grows More Hazy For Mountaintop Mining

EPA's Fluctuating Messages Concern W.Va. Residents

By David A. Fahrenthold

Washington Post Staff Writer

Saturday, April 11, 2009; B01

ETHEL, W.Va. -- In one of the deepest, steepest corners of Appalachia, where the most important industry is shearing mountains down to flat-top stumps, everybody wants the same answer.

What did Washington just do?

About two weeks ago, the Environmental Protection Agency seemed poised to crack down on the "mountaintop" coal mines that are common in this region, which industry officials say would threaten thousands of jobs. The EPA said it had "significant concerns" about the mines -- in which peaks are legally blasted off to get at coal seams inside -- because neighboring streams are buried under displaced rock.

But later that day, the EPA suddenly seemed to play down its own worries, saying it thought the bulk of the projects would "not raise environmental concerns."

The episode has been seen as an early unsteady attempt by a White House with environmental ambitions to confront one of its most vexing problems: polluting, carbon-heavy, economically vital coal.

This week, EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson -- making her first public comments about the letters -- said her agency did not intend to send a mixed message. She said that the EPA was not trying to stop all mountaintop removal but that it "is going to do its job" in checking 150 to 200 projects for environmental impact.

"This was not about making any kind of value judgment on a practice of mining," Jackson said in an interview. "This is about science. And what the law tells us to do is review these permits."

But here in southern West Virginia, the EPA's moves have left a powerful sense of uncertainty about the future of mountaintop mining. People also see this issue as a microcosm of the nation's ambivalence about coal.

"We don't have a clue" what the federal government is planning, said Roger Horton, a truck driver at a West Virginia mine who heads the group Citizens for Coal. "We want clarity. To do this, to me, is inhumane."

As Washington has become more focused on climate change, coal has become something like the new tobacco: publicly reviled, at least by some, but still deeply embedded in the economy. Coal produces dirty water when it is mined and greenhouse gases when it is burned, but it also accounts for about half of U.S. electric power, and coal mining provides about 82,000 jobs. What happens here, in the heart of mountaintop-mining country, might be considered coal's unfiltered version.

"You know 'Almost heaven, West Virginia'? Well, now it's 'Almost level, West Virginia,'" said Teresa Perdue, 50, a resident of Ashford, W.Va., who has spoken out against mountaintop

removal. Perdue was looking down at a vista that once included a rounded mountain and a valley, Bull Creek Hollow.

But the peak was blasted and scooped away by heavy machinery to get at thin seams of coal near the surface. Excess rock was dumped into the valley. The resulting landscape was flatter and browner, with plenty of bare rock.

"Who said it's okay to bury streams, it's okay to cut the tops off mountains to get coal?" Perdue said. She still takes senior photos for local high-schoolers there, but now she has to crop the photos tighter: The background has an unnatural amount of sky, at least for West Virginia. Some environmentalists think the science is overwhelming that mountaintop mining is harmful. Pro-coal people think the economy trumps everything: "There's nothing to replace [coal] right now," said Jim Taylor, a 73-year-old with long, white George Jones sideburns who manages a hydraulic and machine repair shop in Logan, W.Va.

Sitting in front of a former service station in Blair, W.Va., Carlos Gore, 57, a mountaintop mining opponent, said previous experience shows that mining companies usually win: "They take the rules, and they bend it and twist it like a pig's tail."

Mountaintop mining is also called "mountaintop removal," although in most cases, rock is piled up to re-create the mountain's contours and replanted with grass and trees. The practice is centered in eastern Kentucky and southern West Virginia, although there are some mines in Tennessee, southeast Ohio and southwest Virginia. At the EPA's last count, in 2001, the mines' "valley fills" had buried 724 miles of stream valleys, about 1.2 percent of the region's total.

The industry says the mines produce about 10 percent of the country's coal. Last year, a Washington Post analysis found that the area's coal-burning power plants purchased 32 percent of their fuel from surface mines in this region, which often involve mountaintop mining. Lately, mountaintop mining's opponents had been on a losing streak. In December, the Bush administration approved a rule that environmentalists said would make it easier to dump waste rock near streams. And in February, a U.S. appeals court rejected environmental groups' challenges to certain mining permits.

Then, on March 24, EPA officials released two letters that had been sent to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which handles permits for valley fills. The letters said that two mines -- one here near Ethel and the other in Pike County, Ky. -- could harm aquatic life in the buried valleys and downstream. It sent three more letters this week, expressing concerns about valley fills at a mine in southwest Virginia and two in West Virginia.

To the coal-industry, it looked like a torpedo, aimed at mountaintop mining.

"EPA: End Production in America," said Chris Hamilton, a vice president at the West Virginia Coal Association. He said it is wrong that in a worldwide economic crisis, "here we're almost trying to find a way to force these, you know, mining jobs to go elsewhere."

In her interview with The Post, Jackson said that the EPA had just begun to review these permit applications and that although "the sense right now is that the vast majority of them are not significant" concerns, she could not predict the final outcome. She said that the White House Council on Environmental Quality has convened officials from the EPA, the Army Corps of Engineers and other federal agencies to talk about the future of mountaintop mining more generally.

In Logan County, W.Va., County Commission President Art Kirkendoll said he was worried that the EPA will eventually turn against coal mining in general, which would remove his area's economic bedrock. He said each mining job supports six or seven jobs in other sectors -- and provides another valuable service in a highly vertical area.

"We need this flat land" to build new factories and stores on, Kirkendoll said. "For our county, it's everything."

A few miles away, though, the town of Ethel -- nearest the mine that the EPA singled out -- shows that, although coal mines have long made this area work, they have never made it rich. Ethel is a string of mobile homes along a narrow valley floor, with the most prominent building a decades-dead Methodist church, with tablecloths still on the tables and a loaf of bread turning to dust in a dark hall.

Across the street, a rock the diameter of a large pizza and six inches thick slammed into 81-year-old Madelena Hanshaw's bedroom while she slept. Hanshaw thought it might have been dislodged from a vast mining site just over the next hill.

"I don't sleep good of a night. I just take pills," Hanshaw said. "I moved into the living room. I sleep there now."

Staff photographer Michael Williamson contributed to this report.

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02/06/2009 04:33 PM

To Richard Windsor
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Subject Re: ap on mercury: obama seeks tougher controls

Thanks, Richard. Much appreciated.

Sent from Sean Darcy

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From: Windsor.Richard@epamail.epa.gov <Windsor.Richard@epamail.epa.gov>
To: Sean Darcy
Sent: Fri Feb 06 16:28:37 2009
Subject: Fw: ap on mercury: obama seeks tougher controls

----- Original Message -----

From: David Cohen
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To: Richard Windsor
Cc: Lisa Heinzerling
Subject: ap on mercury: obama seeks tougher controls
Obama seeks tougher controls on mercury emissions
By DINA CAPPIELLO, Associated Press Writer Dina Cappiello, Associated
Press Writer 25 mins ago

WASHINGTON - The Obama administration signaled Friday that it will seek more stringent controls on mercury pollution from the nation's power plants, abandoning a Bush administration approach that the industry supported.

The Justice Department on Friday submitted papers to the Supreme Court to dismiss the Bush administration's appeal of the rule, which a lower court struck down last year.

Meanwhile, the Environmental Protection Agency said it would begin crafting a new rule limiting mercury emissions from power plants.

The court was expected to decide later this month whether it would take the case. Last year, an appeals court ruled that the Bush plan violated the law by allowing utilities to purchase emission credits instead of actually reducing emissions.

Such a plan would have allowed some power plants to release more mercury pollution than others, creating localized "hot spots" where concentrations are higher, states and environmental groups argued. The law requires all facilities to install the best technology available to

curb emissions.

Power plants are the biggest source of mercury, which finds its way into the food supply. It is commonly found in high concentrations in fish. Mercury can damage developing brains of fetuses and very young children.

"It is yet another Bush administration policy they are not going to go forward with," said David Bookbinder, the Sierra Club's chief climate counsel.

The EPA also announced Friday that it was starting the review of the Bush administration's decision to deny California and other states the right to control emissions of the gases blamed for global warming from cars.

In a statement, the agency said there were significant issues with the previous administration's denial of the California request that represents a significant departure from the law.

While the administration has signaled it is breaking with its predecessor on several issues, Friday's filing on mercury is the first outright reversal of a legal position taken by the Bush administration at the Supreme Court.

EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson told reporters at a green jobs conference in Washington that the Obama administration would draft its own rules under the Clean Air Act to curb mercury emissions.

Jackson — who led the environmental department in New Jersey, one of 17 states that sued the Bush administration in 2006 — said the EPA would likely set limits on the toxic metal from power plants, as required by the law.

"We're better off spending all our resources making rules that will stick instead of fighting the courts on this one," Jackson said.

Representatives of the utility industry, which is still asking the Supreme Court to take up an appeal, said Friday that a new rule would further delay clean up of mercury and cost more than the Bush proposal.

"From an environmental perspective, the thing that is a real shame about all this is had the court left the mercury rule in place we would have had much greater mercury reductions at a lower cost," said Jeff Holmstead, head of the Environmental Strategies Group at the law firm Bracewell & Giuliani, which represents power producers.

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12/08/2009 06:55 PM

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Subject: Barbara Kux

Hi Lisa-

I know that this request has been made to Diane (at least I'm told so), but I have not yet heard whether you might be able to spare a few minutes to meet with Siemens' global sustainability officer (who is my boss) Barbara Kux. She will be in DC on December 14th and can be available any time between noon and 6pm, and she will be in Copenhagen and can meet at various times on the 16th, especially first thing in the morning. She'd like to meet you and to express her support for your good work on climate. I'll be with her on the 14th, and in Copenhagen also (I'm in Copenhagen from the 15th-19th).

I know this is a very busy time for you, and I have explained this to her. She's a big fan. If it's a possibility in either DC or Denmark, she (and I) would be thrilled! Otherwise, I hope you're well and I look forward to running into you somewhere-

Alison

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Subject Re: Barbara Kux

Thanks much. It will be great to see you and Barbara will be thrilled. We have no request; we think you're a rock star. We can say that quickly! Shall I confirm 2:30 with Diane or someone else?

I won't use this email, but I'm not sure I've got your personal email. I hope I didn't offend!

Best,
Alison

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From: Windsor.Richard@epamail.epa.gov <Windsor.Richard@epamail.epa.gov>

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Cc: Ellis.Heidi@epamail.epa.gov <Ellis.Heidi@epamail.epa.gov>

Sent: Thu Dec 10 16:31:56 2009

Subject: Re: Barbara Kux

Hey Alison,

How about a half hour at 2:30 pm on the 14th? That's all I have I think. Lisa

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Subject Siemens Competition Award Winners Ceremony

Hi Lisa-

Just a note to say I'm continuing to cheer for you from afar (not so far). EPA's pulling into the lead on climate!

I'm hoping that you received a letter back in October from the Siemens Foundation about the December 7th ceremony to honor and award the winners of the Siemens Competition in Math, Science and Technology.

When we last visited, the 8th grade winners of the *Siemens We Can Change the World Challenge* (a partnership with Discovery) were in your office. The Siemens Competition in Math, Science and Technology is yet another competition we sponsor, but this one is an even bigger deal. This is a long-standing competition for high school students administered by the College Board. Universities host the regional competitions for a cash prize of \$1000 for each individual or team selected as a regional finalist, and \$2000 for the finalists' schools. The national and individual team winners, who will be announced on December 7th at NYU, receive scholarships ranging from \$10,000 up to a top prize of \$100,000.

In our letter, the Siemens Foundation invited you to participate in the December 7th event in New York City (at NYU). I know that Jeniffer Harper of the Foundation was scheduled to speak with Stephanie Owens, but I am not sure if that happened. I just want to make sure that you've seen the invite and that you know how honored these competitors would be to see you there. I can't even pronounce some of the winner's projects from the past (what's a "novel water-soluble hypervalent iodine reagent" anyway?) but these are really impressive students and their efforts are amazing.

I hope you'll consider participating, and please let me know if you need more information. We've been involved in this competition for years -- two young women took the top prize last year. Otherwise, I hope you're well and looking forward to some break around the holidays. Perhaps I'll see you in Copenhagen?!

Best,
Alison

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Sent: Wed May 04 08:45:41 2011

Subject: Post article - Congregation is first black church in D.C. to be powered by solar energy

C <<image001.jpg>> ongregation is first black church in D.C. to be powered by solar energy

By Darryl Fears, Tuesday, May , 6:52 PM

A historic black church that has sat on the same corner in LeDroit Park for 99 years has become the first African American church in the District to rely on renewable solar energy for electrical power.

Florida Avenue Baptist's <<http://www.flavbc.org/>> installation of 44 solar panels was hailed at a ribbon-cutting Tuesday by Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lisa P. Jackson and other government officials as a breakthrough in the black community, where the clean-energy divide mirrors its well-known high-tech digital divide with the white community.

"This is an important first," said Jackson, whose agency recently started a faith-based initiative to increase clean-energy awareness among religious groups. "They're saying: We're going to take the lead in helping African American homes to become energy efficient."

The church's pastor, the Rev. Earl D. Trent Jr., said the panels' installation, by a North Carolina-based company in March, was important not only because the church will save money on its \$3,000 monthly electric bill from Pepco but also because it will reduce "dirty" coal-fired energy and enable him to establish a "green ministry" that could awaken churchgoers who know little to nothing about clean energy and its benefits.

African Americans tend to live in older, less energy-efficient homes equipped with older appliances and, therefore, have higher energy bills.

According to "Energy Democracy <[http://www.centerforsocialinclusion.org/publications/wp-content/plugins/publications/uploads/Energy_Democracy_Report_\(WEB\).pdf](http://www.centerforsocialinclusion.org/publications/wp-content/plugins/publications/uploads/Energy_Democracy_Report_(WEB).pdf)>," a 2010 report by the Center for Social Inclusion, African Americans spent an average of \$1,439 on electric bills in 2008, more than what Latino and Asian Americans spent, and significantly higher than what white Americans paid.

"We want to be a model for green energy," Trent said in an earlier interview. "I've gotten calls from pastors who want to find out how they can do this," he added, raising his hope that the renewable-energy divide can be bridged.

African American churches have historically led social change in black communities, raising awareness of civil rights in the past and now, possibly, environmental justice, Trent said. Helping to lower coal-energy production, even marginally, at power plants is a symbolic step in a nation where, he said, many black people live near such plants and their smokestacks.

"African Americans have more sources of pollution in their neighborhoods than others," Jackson said, standing on the roof of the church near Howard University Hospital as the sun beat down. "We have mercury, neurotoxins building up in our bodies . . . mothers pass it to children. We have . . . developmental disorders. All that comes back to this," she said, pointing to the row of solar panels.

"I think it's an extraordinary thing," said Vernice Miller-Travis, vice chair of the Maryland Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities. "For me, this is a big story, even if it's just one church. You know how black churches are. If one pastor does it, the others have to do it because they don't want to be outdone."

When ministers inquire about getting panels, they'll learn that they'll have to spend green to go green.

At Florida Avenue Baptist, which has 500 members, the cost was \$60,000. With prayer, and 12 members of the flock who were willing to invest money in exchange for Solar Renewable Energy Certificates <http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/documents/gpp_basics-recs.pdf>, the cost was overcome.

The certificates are a kind of energy credit that companies such as power plants buy to sidestep government regulations and penalties for producing too much pollution.

The idea to go solar came to Trent through Gilbert Campbell III, a co-owner of Volt Energy <<http://volt-energy.com/>>, a North Carolina clean-energy company with an office in Washington. Campbell, a Howard University graduate who met Trent years earlier through his father, a pastor, had a proposition.

"I want to share with you the benefits of the church looking at solar," Campbell recalled saying in December. "You have an opportunity to educate younger students in the church," he said. "There's a value associated with that."

Volt Energy helped Florida Avenue Baptist set up a business, allowing it to make the investment and receive the certificates. The investors recouped \$18,000 within 60 days from a federal tax credit that for-profit entities receive for making investments in renewable technology.

Volt Energy also customized a curriculum for the church, teaching energy efficiency, recycling, and the how-tos of using energy-efficient light bulbs and reading energy bills to children.

Last week, Pepco turned on the power generated by the panels.

The church is expected to save 15 percent, about \$450, on its monthly bill, Campbell said. More money will probably be saved after an energy audit of the church and the installation of energy-efficient doors, windows and light fixtures, he said.

The church plans to eventually install a monitor outside the sanctuary so that its members can see the amount of energy being produced and the money being saved, Trent said.

“They’re excited,” he said. “They can’t wait to see.”

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Chair Heidi Ellis

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Location Administrator's Office

Ct: Michael Martin 612-940-1281

Subj: Climate change and Silent Taxation

Attendees:

James Cameron

Magda Rod, Ricahrd Green (Cameron's Publicists)

Michael Martin

Staff:

Diane Thompson (OA)

Seth Oster (OPA)

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Heidi Ellis/DC/USEPA/US

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02/16/2010 10:30 AM

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Subject EPA Meeting

Meeting

Date 02/17/2010

Time 09:30:00 AM to 10:00:00 AM

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Location West Wing, Ward Room

Subj: Coal Ash

Attendees:

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Nancy Sutley

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Subject Meeting with Greenpeace

Meeting

Date 03/17/2010

Time 03:00:00 PM to 03:45:00 PM

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Location Administrator's Office

Ct: Rick Hind (202) 319-2445

Advance Ct: Sarah Dale (OA) 202-384-6996

Topic: Climate policy, Energy policy, Clean Air Act
Chemical Security

Attendees :

Phil Radford, Executive Director

Rick Hind, Legislative Director

Damon Moglen, Climate Campaign Coordinator

Kert Davies, Research Director

Mae Stevens, Policy Analyst (toxics)

Amy Larkin, Solutions Director

Staff:

Gina McCarthy (OAR)

Arvin Ganesan (OCIR)

Robert Goulding (OA)

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Subject Meeting with Jason Grumet

Meeting

Date 12/15/2009

Time 02:00:00 PM to 02:45:00 PM

Chair Heidi Ellis

Invitees

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FYI

Location Administrator's Office

Ct: Yadira Castellanos (202) 637-1454

Topic: General discussion about climate

Staff:

Bob Sussman (OA)

Janet McCabe, Joe Goffman (OAR)

Optional: Diane Thompson (OA)

Attendees:

Jason Grumet, President of the Bipartisan Policy Center

Julie Anderson, Senior Vice President of the Bipartisan Policy Center

Heidi Ellis/DC/USEPA/US

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06/07/2011 12:10 PM

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Subject Meeting with NRDC

Meeting

Date 06/14/2011

Time 11:00:00 AM to 11:45:00 AM

Chair Heidi Ellis

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Location Bullet Room

Ct: Willa 212-727-4465

NRDC Attendees:

Frances Beinecke, President

David Doniger - Policy Director, Climate

Dan Lashof - Director, Climate Center

David Hawkins - Director Climate Programs

Staff:

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Joe Goffman (OAR)

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05/19/2011 01:42 PM

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Subject Meeting with Secretary Vilsack and Agricultural Groups

Meeting

Date 06/07/2011

Time 09:30:00 AM to 10:30:00 AM

Chair Heidi Ellis

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Location 200A of the USDA Whitten Building

Ct: Sally Cluthe 202-720-3631

Attendees:

-Secretary Vilsack

-Paul Schlegel, Director of Public Policy, American Farm Bureau

-Jan Ahlen, Climate and Energy Coordinator, National Farmers Union

-Dana Peterson, CEO, National Association of Wheat Growers

-Mark Gaede, Director of Gov't Affairs, National Association of Wheat Growers

-Jeff Harrison, Sorghum Producers

-Steven Hensley, Senior Director of Regulatory Affairs, USA Rice Federation

-Ray Earl Vester, Chair, USA Rice Federation

Representatives from the following groups may attend as well:

-American Soybean Association

-National Corn Growers Association

-National Cotton Council

Staff:

Larry Elworth (OA)

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POC: Ana Aponte Curtis: 410-540-1487.

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- 1) Quick round of introductions
- 2) Administrator Jackson provides brief updates on Waste Management and Air Quality Monitoring
- 3) Open Discussion of Gulf State Concerns and Questions (Representatives from Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas)
- 4) Quick overview of NAACP plans going forward

Attendees:

Louisiana--Ernest Johnson (Louisiana State Conference President) Musheer Robinson (Louisiana Economic Development Chair)

Mississippi-- James Crowell (Biloxi Branch President)

Florida--Adora Obi Nweze (Florida State Conference President)

Texas--Gary Bledsoe (Texas State Conference President)

Regional/National--Charles White (Field and Operations Director) Jacqui Patterson (Climate Justice Initiative Director)

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Meeting

Date 06/09/2011

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Location 1151 EPA East

EPA's Transformational Leadership Conversation Seminar Series

"OCEANA - Our Endangered Oceans and What We Can Do To Save Them"

12:55 PM "Holding" room **1151 EPA East** (Lisa Jackson and Ted Danson)

1:00 PM Administrator will give welcome remarks and introduce Mr. Danson in **1153 EPA East**.

1:15 PM Administrator will leave - Mr. Danson will talk about his book

1:30 PM Q & A - conversational style

2:15 PM Audience Q&A

2:35 PM Book signing

3 PM Ted leaves EPA

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Subject Daily E-Clips

All:

Starting on Monday, August 9, the Office of External Affairs and Environmental Education will be using a contractor, Vocus, to produce the daily news clips, broadcast clips, blog clips, and specialty media clips. You will be getting the clips by 7:30 a.m. via email with a link for you to click on; the clips will no longer be in a Word document. The link will take you to a Vocus website that will contain EPA's clips. You will have the ability to click on a category such as Air, Climate Change, Water, etc. to take you to articles on your topic of choice. Within the category, you can scroll down to the article or simply click on the icon next to the headline to take you directly to the article. You will also have the ability to click on an icon to take you to the newspaper website where the article appears, or to click on an icon to email the article. Please note that Vocus will be monitoring the top 100 newspapers for the daily clips.

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Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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By Laura B.

EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** will recognize young people from across the country at the 2008 President's Environmental Youth Awards (PEYA) ceremony today. These students have made outstanding contributions to environmental ...

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By Howie

John Barrasso, Wyoming Republican, revealed the memo at a Senate hearing where he waving a copy at **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. "It's here, nine pages. This is a smoking gun," he said. The memo has comments from several federal ...

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By Bungalow Bill

Global warming is based on bad science and is politically motivated. Here is Senator John Barrasso asking **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** about a nine-page memo that reveals the White House knows this to be true.

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[MuskegonPundit: What The EPA's Ruling Means For Business - Forbes.com](#)

By GordoM

Lisa Jackson, the **EPA** administrator, signed a so-called endangerment finding, stating that carbon dioxide and five other products of fossil fuel combustion are harmful to both the environment and to human health. ...

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By Norris McDonald

We are big fans of the new **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. We've had a chance to look her over from her confirmation hearing to recent budget and stimulus package hearings. And our verdict is in: **Lisa P. Jackson** is not only super ...

[African American Environmentalist... - http://aaenvironment.blogspot.com/](http://aaenvironment.blogspot.com/)

[Above Average Jane: PA Students Among **EPA** Winners](#)

By AboveAvgJane

(Washington, D.C. – May 13, 2009) **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** will recognize young people from across the country at the 2008 President's Environmental Youth Awards (PEYA) ceremony today. These students have made outstanding ...

[Above Average Jane - http://aboveavgjane.blogspot.com/](http://aboveavgjane.blogspot.com/)

[ON THE RIGHT "Illegitimi Non Carborundum!": Senator Barrasso Asks ...](#)

By Steve Manning

Senator Barrasso Asks **Lisa Jackson** About "Smoking Gun" OMB Memo ... the administration's view but rather the opinion of a single undisclosed federal agency, according to AP. The **EPA** ruled for the first time on April that greenhouse gases are a threat to public health and welfare. This could lead to the regulation of those gases, which are blamed for climate change. I wonder where this intellectually honest attorney is now working! Posted by Steve Manning at 5/13/2009 ...

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[Ethanol Ruling a Test for Obama Administration](#)

By info@ecologicalinternet.org (US News and...

Offering one of the first looks at how the administration intends to navigate tough scientific debates, **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** tried to strike something of a middle ground as the proposal was unveiled. ...

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[Lisa Jackson, Head Of The EPA, Talks Climate Change And Small ...](#)

By The Huffington Post News Editors

Lisa P. Jackson, the new administrator of the **EPA** and the first African-American woman to hold the post, appeared on the "Daily Show" last night. She was greeted by an eager Jon Stewart who opened with, "The Bush administration was ...

[The Huffington Post | Full News Feed - http://www.huffingtonpost.com/thenewswire/](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/thenewswire/)

[Jon Stewart Interviews EPA Head Lisa P. Jackson | Indecision ...](#)

By Matt Tobey

I've been a big fan of the **EPA** for a long time. Not the Environmental Protection Agency, the other **EPA**, Elephant Punchers Anonymous. Believe me, those elephants had it coming. Total dicks. [ccvideoid=227354] The Daily Show with Jon ...

[Indecision Forever - http://blog.indecisionforever.com/](http://blog.indecisionforever.com/)

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. Posted by on May 15, 2009 by Brad. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** was on the Daily Show last night discussing the policies and procedures of the **EPA**. Check out the video clip here. It is insightful. ...

[Act For Chemistry Blog - http://www.act4chemistry.org/blog/](http://www.act4chemistry.org/blog/)

[Capital Games: Lisa Jackson on Daily Show](#)

By Herb Jackson

EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**, the former New Jersey environmental commissioner and aide to Governor Corzine, was on Jon Stewart's Show last night. The Daily Show With Jon Stewart M - Th 11p / 10c **Lisa P.**

Jackson thedailyshow.com ...

[Capital Games - http://njmg.typepad.com/herbjackson/](http://njmg.typepad.com/herbjackson/)

[What I'm Watching: Sen. Barrasso Expose \(Dumb\) EPA Regulations ...](#)

By Fastidious

John Barrasso (a Republican from Wyoming) reads a memo to **EPA** Director **Lisa Jackson** at an Environment and Public Works Committee meeting. He questions whether or not the **EPA** can move on regulating "greenhouse gases" because a White ...

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[Rahall says **EPA** acting on coal mining permits](#)

Daily Mail - Charleston - Charleston, WV, USA

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[TreeHugger's Most Popular Posts - http://www.treehugger.com/](http://www.treehugger.com/)

[Is Jon Stewart a Climate Skeptic? Talks Global Warming with **EPA** ...](#)

By James

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[Only Hybrids - http://onlyhybrids.com/](http://onlyhybrids.com/)

[Switchboard, from NRDC :: David Doniger's Blog :: Climate Week in ...](#)

By David Doniger

Last month the **EPA** responded to the Supreme Court's landmark ruling that the air pollution that causes global warming can be curbed under the existing Clean Air Act. **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** issued the long-awaited "endangerment ...

[Switchboard, from NRDC - http://switchboard.nrdc.org/](http://switchboard.nrdc.org/)

[The Monkey Cage: What do the Republicans Hope to Accomplish by ...](#)

By Joshua Tucker

And indeed, this latter point is exactly what **Lisa Jackson** of the **EPA** implied during her interview with the The Takeaway this morning. The other option is that I've got the preference ordering wrong, and Republican believe we are living ...

[The Monkey Cage - http://www.themonkeycage.org/](http://www.themonkeycage.org/)

[Tom Nelson](#)

By Tom

So the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee had a hearing on the proposed fiscal 2010 budget for the **EPA**. Senator John Barrasso, a Republican from Wyoming, had a conversation with the **EPA** administrator, **Lisa Jackson**. ...

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Administrator **Lisa Jackson** in March directed **EPA** staff to review up to 200 pending applications for new or expanded surface coal mines. Rahall said Friday the **EPA** has reviewed 48 coal mining permits that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ...

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[EPA chief to visit area coal mine, natural gas site](#)

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By ALEXANDRA SUKHOMLINOVA, News-Record Writer asukhomlinova@gillettenewsrecord.net The visit by **Lisa Jackson**, administrator for the Environmental Protection ...

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By Ken Ward Jr.

Here's the statement from Adora Andy, the press secretary for **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson**: “**EPA** continues to conduct a detailed and rigorous review of all pending Clean Water Act permits for mines in the Appalachian coalfields. ...

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[Administration addressing ethanol, climate change](#)

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[House, **EPA** to tackle climate policy alternatives - Politics ...](#)

And **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** at a hearing last week told lawmakers that the **EPA** finding that greenhouse gases endanger the public health and welfare would not necessarily lead to regulation. She said the agency was compelled to ...

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... cleanup of the TVA coal ash spill, one of the largest and most serious environmental releases in our history," said **EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson**. ...

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Sen. John Barrasso (R-Wyo.) grilling **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson**. Labels: Environment, GlobalWarming. posted by John Lott at 9:42 AM. 0 Comments: Post a Comment. Links to this post: See links to this post ...

[John Lott's Website - http://johnrlott.blogspot.com/](http://johnrlott.blogspot.com/)

[The Westerner: Obama's EPA clears 42 of 48 new mountaintop removal ...](#)

By The Westerner

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** had announced in March that her staff was taking a closer look at those permits because of concerns that mountaintop removal was burying streams and damaging downstream water quality. ...

[The Westerner - http://thewesterner.blogspot.com/](http://thewesterner.blogspot.com/)

[The White House - Press Office - Fact Sheet and Participants at ...](#)

By The White House

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** - CEQ Chair Nancy Sutley - Office of Science and Technology Policy Director John Holdren - California State Senator Fran Pavley - Chairman of the California Air Resources Board Mary Nichols ...

[White House.gov Press Office Feed - http://www.whitehouse.gov/](http://www.whitehouse.gov/)

[Hill Heat : Waxman-Markey Legislation Gives Coal a Competitive Future](#)

By SolveClimate

EPA, the landmark case decided by the U.S. Supreme Court. In no uncertain terms, Heinzerling, an expert on the Clean Air Act who now works as an advisor to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, testified that the agency must regulate CO2 from ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** delivers keynote speech at Kean University graduation . HOLMDEL -- More than 2300 graduates received their degrees today from Kean University in a commencement ceremony at the PNC Arts Center in Holdmel. ...

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[Lisa Jackson Says Everyone Benefits From New Fuel Standards \(VIDEO\)](#)

By The Huffington Post News Editors

EPA Administrator answered questions about the new fuel regulations on Fox Business News today. Among the anchors' concerns: Will consumers buy into higher fuel standards?

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[Pierce Brosnan at **EPA**: "Markey, Waxman-Markey" : TreeHugger](#)

EPA vs. Congress **EPA** regulations are seen as a last resort option by President Obama and **EPA** chief **Lisa Jackson**, both of whom prefer Congressional legislation. But some supporters of the **EPA** finding emphasized that regulations should be ...

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Consistent with Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson's** priorities, **EPA's** participation focuses on children and families. The SunWise Program recognizes the important role parents play in protecting their children from too much sun. ...

[US EPA Hazardous Waste News - http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/advpress.nsf/By+Date?open](#)

[New U.S. Vehicle Standards Address Fuel Economy and Greenhouse Gas ...](#)

Also on stage with Obama were Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood, who currently oversees the CAFE program, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** and White House energy and climate adviser Carol Browner. The proposed rulemaking will be a joint ...

[Scientific American - http://www.scientificamerican.com/](#)

[Ethanol Fails **EPA** 'Stress Tests' | Republic Broadcasting Network](#)

By admin

Even Time magazine, in conjunction with CNN, was forced to report that the draft conclusions announced by Environmental Protection Agency administrator **Lisa Jackson** were that the production of renewable corn ethanol can end up producing ...

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Earlier today, the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**), **Lisa Jackson**, testified before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies. During the hearing she was asked ...

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[Bluedaze: DRILLING REFORM FOR TEXAS: EPA Admits Hydraulic ...](#)

By TXsharon

... to ask U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to conduct a review of her agency's policy on the risk that fracturing poses to drinking water supplies. **Jackson** told Hinchey that she believed her agency ...

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[David Sassoon: Clean Energy Climate Bill Gives Coal a Competitive ...](#)

By David Sassoon

In no uncertain terms, Heinzerling, an expert on the Clean Air Act who now works as an advisor to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, testified that the agency must regulate CO2 from power plants as a result of the decision. ...

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[Seattle at Center of Global Warming Debate](#)

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[U.S. to rely more on scientists for air rules: EPA](#)

By info@ecologicalinternet.org (Reuters: none given)

The US government will reverse a Bush administration policy and increase the role of scientists in setting air standards for criteria pollutants harmful to human health, **Lisa Jackson**, the administrator of the Environmental Protection ...

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[OPNTALK: EPA Nominee Suggests New CO2 Rules May Expose Small Emitters](#)

By Peter

EPA will regulate cows, Dunkin Donuts, Pizza Huts, your lawnmower and baby bottles," **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said earlier this year, dismissing concerns raised by groups such as the Chamber and the National Association of ...

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[EPA breathes science into air quality standards : Super Eco](#)

By Lisa Poisso

Was it just last week we wondered if the **EPA's** effectiveness might be on the upswing? No need for the Ouija board, because more and more signs are pointing to "Yes." Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** announced ...

[Super Eco News Feed - http://www.supereco.com/](#)

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By Laura B.

Unveiling the new Renewable Fuel Standards Program on May 5th, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** wants Americans to start using more locally-produced biofuels in an effort to save money. Changes to renewable fuel standards were also ...

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[U.S. to rely more on scientists for air rules | MNN - Mother ...](#)

By Super Admin

The US government will reverse a Bush administration policy and increase the role of scientists in setting air standards for criteria pollutants harmful to human health, **Lisa Jackson**, the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, said on. ... **Jackson** said the **EPA** will reinstate the role of a policy document called a "staff paper" written by agency scientists that contains analyses of options for the administrator to consider when setting air standards. ...

[Earth Matters News - http://www.mnn.com/news/earth-matters](#)

[May 22, 2009 | SolveClimate.com](#)

By Stacy Morford

In a bid to restore the primacy of science in setting air-pollution standards, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** announced she is reestablishing key internal review procedures regarding harmful pollutants. ...

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[Ethanol proposal may derail climate bill](#)

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[Kentucky Environmental Matters - http://jeffreysanders.wordpress.com/](http://jeffreysanders.wordpress.com/)

[Bruce Nilles: Coal Industry Loophole One Step Closer to Being Closed](#)

By Bruce Nilles

Recently the Sierra Club, along with a coalition of more than 100 organizations signed a letter calling on Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to move quickly to develop strong regulations for the handling ...

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[US May Get New Toxics Law, Intl Convergence Possible-EPA Head ...](#)

"I think that there is some likelihood that there will be a new law," **Lisa Jackson** told reporters at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. **Jackson** said there's "lots of discussion" about how U.S. rules on toxic ...

[Democratic Underground Latest... - http://www.democraticunderground.com/](http://www.democraticunderground.com/)

[Environmental Justice Blog: EPA Adminstrator Speaks At EJ in ...](#)

By EJB

EPA Adminstrator Speaks At EJ in America Conference 2009. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**, above, delivered a powerful statement to the attendees at The State of Environmental Justice in Ameica Conference ...

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[Daily Kos: Green Diary Rescue & Open Thread](#)

By Meteor Blades

Bruce Nilles wrote that a Coal Loophole Is One Step Closer to Being Closed: "This week, we received a response from [EPA] Administrator **Lisa Jackson** that outlines some of the steps EPA has already begun to take regarding coal combustion ...

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ranking member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, offered his support for McCarthy's confirmation and said he expected EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to support legislative efforts to limit the scope of EPA climate ...

[Scientific American - Technology](http://www.scientificamerican.com/) - <http://www.scientificamerican.com/>

[Controversial Coal Mining Method Gets Obama's OK « Chrisy58's Weblog](#)

By chrisy58

And EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said this year that the agency had “considerable concern” about the projects. She pledged that her agency would “use the best science and follow the letter of the law in ensuring we are protecting our ...

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In remarks on the Senate floor, he said today that he's inviting several top agency officials to visit a farm in Iowa, including Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. Grassley says he wants to instill some 'common-sense thinking' at the agency. ...

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[Congressional leaders call for BP investigation :: Local News ...](#)

By By Gitte Laasby, Post-Tribune staff writer

Mark Kirk, R-Ill, in a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** dated Thursday. "It is my hope that the **EPA** takes swift action to review all of BP's pollution permits to ensure there are no other violations that have gone unnoticed. ...

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By Matt Dernoga

The health hazards mentioned came to light as a result of the **EPA's** own analysis and report on the impacts of living near coal ash and slurry ponds. Both President Barack Obama and **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** have pledged to base ...

[The Dernogalizer - http://madrad2002.wordpress.com/](http://madrad2002.wordpress.com/)

[The politics of bait and switch | SocialistWorker.org](#)

By Jeffrey St. Clair and Joshua Frank

White House climate czar Carol Browner and **EPA administrator Lisa Jackson** initially said that such a declaration would "indeed trigger the beginning of regulation of CO2," but only weeks later, **Jackson** reversed her belief that industry ...

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In April, **EPA** chief **Lisa Jackson** made good on her promise to pursue endangerment status and subsequent pollutant regulation of CO2 and five other greenhouse gases, an act likely crafted to coerce accelerated legislative action. ...

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By Keith Good

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** will testify at that hearing.” And on Thursday afternoon, the House Agriculture Committee will hold a hearing on the Waxman-Markey Energy Bill. House Agriculture Committee Ranking Member Frank Lucas ...

[FarmPolicy.com - http://www.farmpolicy.com/](http://www.farmpolicy.com/)

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By Norris McDonald

... these environmental injustice issues are only exacerbating their situation when they have to answer to Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson [chair of Congressional committee with jurisdiction] and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**? ...

[African American Environmentalist... - http://aaenvironment.blogspot.com/](http://aaenvironment.blogspot.com/)

[True Blue Stimulus Politics - Washington Matters - Blog.Kiplinger.com](#)

Energy Secretary Steven Chu, Labor Secretary Linda Solis and **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** have been on hand to tout local stimulus funds in some of the same states. Each visit, whether from Obama or Chu, generates positive local media ...

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Coal ash classification, though, could change, says **EPA** head **Lisa Jackson**. "What we've promised is to make new regulations governing coal ash, ...

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[Fairfax Co. students push school to go green](#)

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[TreeHugger - http://www.treehugger.com/](http://www.treehugger.com/)

[Blogs @ The Charleston Gazette - » Mountaintop removal: Obama to ...](#)

By Ken Ward Jr.

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** and top officials from the Army Corps of Engineers briefed the White House on the program earlier this week, and met yesterday with West Virginia Congressman Nick J. Rahall to fill him in on their efforts. ...

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[EPA rules coming on coal ash disposal](#)

Chattanooga Times Free Press - Chattanooga,TN,USA

Boxer said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** assured her that **EPA** will develop some type of new rules for the disposal of coal ash by the end of the year. Sen. ...

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[EPA Signals Stricter Mining Rules](#)

The Washington Independent - Washington,DC,USA

... quality and environmental integrity of streams, rivers, and wetlands under the Clean Water Act," **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said in a statement. ...

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[US **epa's** Region 6 Awards \\$3.7 Million in Recovery Funding to ...](#)

U.S. EPA.gov (press release) - Washington,DC,USA

"This is part of the nationwide clean energy transition that is clearing the air and creating jobs across America," said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. ...

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[Senator Boxer Press Conference on TVA Coal Ash...44 more SECRET ...](#)

By WhitesCreek

When **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** came before our Committee for her confirmation hearing a week later, she committed to move immediately to address the threat posed by coal ash waste. I want to commend **EPA** today for its quick action. ...

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[Federal fight erupts over coal ash threat](#)

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[StopToquop.org » Blog Archive » EPA secrecy on coal-ash list ...](#)

By Bob Davidow

Newly appointed **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** promised a national survey of ash impoundments and federal regulations to ensure their safety and protection of the environment. The **EPA** has identified hundreds of places where ash is ...

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[EPA Announces More Than \\$185 Million in Recovery Act Funds for ...](#)

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By Kaid Benfield

But the good news is that **EPA** is about to join the party. Although, as I write at 10 am, there has not been a formal announcement on **EPA's** website, I have been told that administrator **Lisa Jackson** will be announcing today that her ...

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By Taxcut Editor

“Ending climate change and moving to a sustainable, clean energy future begins on the ground in our communities,” said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. “We’re offering a helping hand to local areas that are leading the way in ...

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By denacalivas

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[Farm Interests Use EPA Spending Bill to Fight Climate Regs](#)

New York Times - United States

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By Annie Kate

In April, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** proposed an "endangerment determination" under the Clean Air Act -- a finding that carbon dioxide and other heat-trapping air pollutants "may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health ...

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[The Star: Roberts battles **EPA** over sinkholes | The Kansas Progress](#)

By admin

The Star: Roberts battles **EPA** over sinkholes. Prime Buzz: First it was Vice President Joe Biden. Now it's **EPA** chief **Lisa Jackson** who's getting the strong arm, and some local tour advice, from Kansas Sen.Pat Roberts about her upcoming ...

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[Fearing ridicule, administration avoids 'cow tax' | Washington ...](#)

By Jim Williams

The legislation directs the **EPA** not to include it among the various sources that could be subject to new performance standards. **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** has called rumors of the cow tax "ridiculous notions" and a "distraction." ...

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[Improving It: Will the **EPA** block regulation on Carbon reduction ...](#)

By Phil Ayres

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By LP

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By Sam Parry

This is why President Obama and his team, including **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson**, are fully behind passing the American Clean Energy and Security Act and favor legislation over regulation. As to whether we should be supporting a ...

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[Was The Climate Bill Pushed By Carol Browner? Obama's Energy Czar ...](#)

By romanticpoet

Lisa Jackson, for 16 years a top **EPA** enforcement officer, will now run that agency. At the White House Council on Environmental Quality will be Nancy Sutley, who was Ms. Browner's special assistant at **EPA**. At a Congressional hearing ...

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[EPA Reveals Dangerous Coal Ash Sites](#)

By The Huffington Post News Editors

"The presence of liquid coal ash impoundments near our homes, schools and business could pose a serious risk to life and property in the event of an impoundment rupture" said **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** in a statement. ...

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By Bureau News

Talks stopped in March, shortly after **Lisa Jackson** became **EPA** chief. Discussions are to resume in mid-July and continue at least until Aug. 25. They could last longer if there's progress. Officials say they hope talks pave the way for a ...

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[In print: Groups target possible **EPA** regional chief](#)

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[EPA approves California auto emissions waiver | Washington Examiner](#)

By Julie Mason

"This decision puts the law and science first," **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said in a statement, suggesting that Stephen Johnson, her predecessor at **EPA**, had ignored historic and traditional legal interpretations on how the Clean Air ...

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By Stacy Morford

Obama **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** used the **EPA's** more historic interpretation: Did California have local conditions leading to serious air pollution problems, officials said. She decided yes, the state did, and approved the waiver. ...

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By Steve Benen

In their letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** yesterday, Inhofe and Barrasso claim to "have learned" that a "senior **EPA** official suppressed" a "rigorous account" of "the most up-to-date science of climate change." ...

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[Blue Jersey: EPA gives go ahead for stricter auto emission standards](#)

By Jason Springer

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, who previously was New Jersey's environmental commissioner, said the agency's decision to grant the waiver "puts the law and science first." "After review of the scientific findings, ...

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By Environmental Leader

... with the Clean Air Act as it's been used for the last 40 years and supports the prerogatives of the 13 states and the District of Columbia who have opted to follow California's lead," stated **EPA** administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. ...

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By Keith Good

Republican officials are calling for an investigation; House Energy Committee ranking member Joe Barton sent a letter with pointed questions to Mrs. **Jackson** [**Lisa Jackson**, the **EPA** Administrator], which she's yet to answer. ...

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the committee chair, addressed it to Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. "I will be brief, because I think this committee has more important and substantive issues to deal with," said Ms. **Jackson**. Citing materials released by the free-market advocacy think tank Competitive Enterprise Institute, including an exchange of emails between the **EPA** staffer at the creamy center of this story and his managers, **Jackson** stated that the "facts do not justify ...

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[Climate Change Fraud - Because the debate is not over - Senate ...](#)

By info@climatechange-fraud.com (Steven Milloy,...

At today's Senate Environment and Public Works Committee hearing on carbon control, Sen. James Inhofe (R-OK) showed **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** and Energy Secretary Steven Chu a chart depicting t.

[Climate Change Fraud - http://www.climatechange-fraud.com/home](http://www.climatechange-fraud.com/home)

[Obama officials urge Senate to act on climate | San Francisco Examiner](#)

By DINA CAPPIELLO

Chu and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** admitted that reductions in the United States alone will not be enough to avert the worst consequences of global warming. The hope is that the legislation will inspire other countries to also act. ...

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By Steve Benen

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** is scheduled to speak to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works today, at which point Inhofe intends to throw a fit about Carlin's "report." Here's hoping someone briefed **Jackson** on the ...

[Political Animal - http://www.washingtonmonthly.com/](http://www.washingtonmonthly.com/)

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EPA administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** said in announcing the proposal in April that "we can save more than a thousand lives each year, sharply reduce mercury and other toxins in our air and water, and work with industry to encourage ...

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[Desert Beacon: When Carlin isn't funny? Faux Outrage over Faux ...](#)

By Desert Beacon

All this probably won't help **EPA** chief **Lisa Jackson** when she has to listen to Senator Inhofe's irrational questions during Senate testimony today. Here's what **Jackson** prepared to say to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public ...

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[EPA Administrator testifies on climate legislation | Eco Speak ...](#)

By Kim McGuire

Photo of **Lisa P. Jackson**. Courtesy of US **EPA**. You wouldn't know it if you were watching most news networks right now, but there is news outside Neverland. Several high-ranking administration officials are testifying before a key Senate ...

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By Keith Good

“This is a jobs bill, it's an energy bill,' **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** told the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee.” The Post article added that, “The main Republican argument against the climate change legislation is ...

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By climateandenergy

I get asked this a lot... is CEP's Nancy **Jackson** related to the **EPA's Lisa Jackson**? Answer: No, not to our knowledge. From the **EPA**: Statement of **Lisa P. Jackson** Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency / Hearing on Energy and ...

[Climate and energy - http://blog.climateandenergy.org/](http://blog.climateandenergy.org/)

[GPB News: **EPA's Jackson** Worked to Shelve PFOA Study](#)

By John Sepulvado

EPA's Jackson Worked to Shelve PFOA Study. Pretty interesting read here on efforts by Obama's **EPA** chief, **Lisa Jackson**, to scrap a PFOA study during her time in New Jersey. You can find all of GPB's previous coverage on PFOA here. ...

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By gradyw

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[Left In Alabama - Front Page - http://www.leftinalabama.com/](http://www.leftinalabama.com/)

[EPA Declares Public Health Emergency in Montana Town | TakePart ...](#)

By blair@takepart.com

Fortunately the **EPA** and HHS are attempting to provide justice for Libby residents. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said: "We are determining, for the first time in **EPA** history, the release of asbestos in the area constitutes a public ...

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[Netizen News Brief: CO2 Emissions Disagreement Between **EPA** and ...](#)

By STAFF:

It is about a significant disagreement between the Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** and Energy Secretary Steven Chu over the amount of worldwide CO2 emissions if the United States acts alone should a climate ...

[Netizen News Brief - http://netizennewsbrief.blogspot.com/](http://netizennewsbrief.blogspot.com/)

[Cardin welcomes Perciasepe to Senate as nominee for **EPA** post ...](#)

By Jeff Quinton

I look forward to working with him and Administrator **Lisa Jackson** as we strengthen the Chesapeake Bay restoration efforts underway and work to provide the federal attention and resources required to renew and maintain this national ...

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[How sharper than a serpent's tooth: Why are the Energy Action ...](#)

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The whole Obama team, including Chu and **Lisa Jackson** are just tremendous, and are shining examples of American enlightened leadership, I think. These people are sincerely interested in doing something about the climate for the sake of future generations. Regarding Hansen, well, sincere people can ... We need to retain all existing **EPA** authority, though, whether or not it is practical to use it, just in case we need it a few years down the road, and happen to win in court

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Even **EPA** apparatchik **Lisa Jackson** admits that throwing our economy into a depression on behalf of the polar bears will have no impact on CO2 levels, as if CO2 levels were a problem anyway: ...

[theblogprof - http://theblogprof.blogspot.com/](http://theblogprof.blogspot.com/)

[Green News - **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to Discuss Green Jobs ...](#)

By Betsy Kraat

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to Discuss Green Jobs at Black Journalists' Convention By Betsy Kraat. WASHINGTON--The nation's first African American to serve as Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, the honorable **Lisa ...**

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[Sen. George Voinovich blocks EPA nomination over climate change ...](#)

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[Climate Change Fraud - http://www.climatechange fraud.com/home](http://www.climatechange fraud.com/home)

[The Washington Monthly](#)

By Steve Benen

Voinovich announced the hold -- a common practice for minority-party senators seeking leverage over a Cabinet department -- in a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. He said he had no objections to Perciasepe, ...

[Political Animal - http://www.washingtonmonthly.com/](http://www.washingtonmonthly.com/)

[Climate push gets personal - Lisa Lerer - POLITICO.com](#)

By Lisa Lerer

Over the past two weeks, five Cabinet secretaries — Chu, Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar and Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood — have testified ... Even the **EPA** has come out with a report that said the proposed legislation will have little to no affect on CO2 levels. The only way any type of plan will work is if all countries in the world embrace the plan, and that is not going ...

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By Alan McCright

In response, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, said that she will ensure **EPA's** efforts "are rooted in three fundamental values: science-based policies and program, adherence to the rule of law, and overwhelming transparency." ...

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By ATeam

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By Laura B.

EPA's Climate Leaders are some of the largest and most competitive companies in manufacturing, finance, information technology and other major sectors of the economy,” said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. “They're proving that they ...

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[Climate bill impact on US farms bearable: Lawmaker](#)

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[epa's Climate Leaders Program Recognizes Partners for](#)

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[Marketplace Today Blog - "We want to act," says Obama's Great ...](#)

By Steve Prestegard

Davis, formerly president of the conservation group Alliance for the Great Lakes, was picked to coordinate the various federal Great Lakes programs as a senior adviser to **EPA** boss **Lisa Jackson**. Similar meetings are scheduled throughout ...

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By Keith Good

Peterson said the **EPA** is already regulating cars and that there are lawsuits lined up to force the agency to regulate other sources of emissions. Peterson said he expects **EPA** to go after livestock producers and, eyeing the soybean ... " Republican senators throughout the ranks of the Agriculture Committee have made it clear since last week that Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack and Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** had better come armed with ...

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[Senate Urged to Protect Clean Air Act from Climate Bill](#)

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[Senator Roberts Presses **EPA** Administrator **Jackson** to Visit Treece](#)

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[Administration boasts of environmental justice scoring that doesn't ...](#)

By Rita Beamish

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By Bill Becker

This was **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson's** comment in an interview with Grist. Asked about the environmental terrorism being inflicted on the people of Appalachia as coal companies blow up mountains, **Jackson** responded: "[T]he current ...

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By Environmental Leader

EPA administrator Lisa Jackson said offsets would be worth nearly \$3 billion a year in 2020 for farms, ranches and forests, reports Reuters. The report indicates that by 2050, agricultural lands could supply 465 million tons of CO₂e ...

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By John Whitehead

From the inbox: WASHINGTON – On Thursday, July 30, 2009, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** will hold a press conference in Chicago to announce funding to train workers for green jobs. The press conference will be held at the Chicago ...

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The public comment period on Administrator **Lisa Jackson's** April 16th finding that greenhouse gas emissions endanger public health and welfare ended June 23rd, and **EPA** is currently going through the comments that were filed. ...

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** appeared at the Jim and Heather Gills YMCA in St. Petersburg Wednesday to announce the construction of a plant in Jacksonville to manufacture lithium-ion cells, ...

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By Scott

Obama's **EPA** director, **Lisa Jackson**, recently admitted the agency had not even read the Waxman-Markey carbon tax bill before issuing a positive report on its economic impacts. The most overtly vile Obama minion to date is that of the ...

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By hotoffthepress2

“We learned from **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** that unilateral U.S. action to address climate change through cap-and-trade would be futile. She said in response to a question from me that “U.S. action alone will not impact world CO2 ...

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George Voinovich (R-Ohio), **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** summarily denied the Senators' request for economic analysis of the Waxman-Markey bill and how it would affect families, small businesses, and farmers.

In her response, **Jackson ...**

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[Energy and Global Warming News for August 7th: Amory Lovins ...](#)

By Austin

U.S. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** yesterday denied GOP requests to perform a new economic analysis of the House-passed climate and energy bill, saying the Energy Department has essentially answered any outstanding questions. ...

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By Dina Cappiello

When **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** explained this trend to a Senate committee this year, Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., replied: "That's the same answer the Bush administration gave us and I don't buy it." ...

[Breaking News - http://blog.taragana.com/n/](#)

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By Keith Good

Meanwhile, Robin Bravender reported on Friday at The New York Times Online (ClimateWire) that, "U.S. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** yesterday denied GOP requests to perform a new economic analysis of the House-passed climate and energy ...

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...

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[Cap and Trade in Perspective: Stopping Acid Rain | SolveClimate.com](#)

By Abby Schultz

EPA Commissioner **Lisa Jackson** reminded lawmakers in April that “beltway corporate lobbyists” had tried to thwart passage of the ARP by insisting it would be bad for business. Instead, “Our economy grew by 64 percent even as the program ...

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[Will Obama Crack Down on Rocket Fuel in Drinking Water? | Water ...](#)

By Elaine Shannon, Huffington Post

EPA chief **Lisa P. Jackson** is revisiting the Bush administration's refusal to regulate rocket fuel pollution in the nation's drinking water.

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I didn't know who she was at first, but then she introduced herself and it was **Lisa Jackson**, she's the Director of **EPA** for the United States," Ellis said. ...

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[Obama's Nominee to Head Surface Mining Department Must Be Stopped ...](#)

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[The Save Jersey Blog: RGA Questions Corzine's Green Credentials](#)

By mattrooney@savejersey.com (Matt Rooney)

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[Wonk Room » The WonkLine: August 12, 2009](#)

By Think Progress

Yesterday, the Federal Register published a final order from **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** in which she requires Tennessee state regulators to submit a revised permit to the Tennessee Valley Authority coal-fired power plant — which is ...

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[Blue Jersey:: Jeff Tittel's Words May Come Back To Haunt NJ's ...](#)

By bytheshore73

While she was DEP commissioner, **Lisa Jackson** was dubbed "one of the best DEP commissioners" in state history by Tittel. When she was nominated, then confirmed, as President Obama's new **EPA** administrator, Tittel again heaped praise upon ...

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[CleanSkies.TV News: EPA Admin. Lisa Jackson Tours Spill Site](#)

By CleanSkies.tv News

EPA Admin. Lisa Jackson Tours Spill Site. With Congress out of town for the month, the Obama Administration is fanning out across the country to discuss energy issues. While Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack spoke about carbon offsets ...

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[State & U.S. Announce Hanford Cleanup Breakthrough - Local News ...](#)

By news@kbbkw.com (Jodesha Broadcasting)

In tandem with the consent decree, the Department of Energy, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**), and the Washington State Department of Ecology are proposing changes to their 1989 Tri-Party Agreement to establish a new, ... U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson**: "With today's announcement, we are charting the course for a successful cleanup at Hanford. We simply must step up to the challenges at Hanford to protect the Columbia River ...

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[TVA to End Wet Coal Ash Storage](#)

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[Warning Signs: The New Dark Ages of Britain & The U.S.](#)

By Alan Caruba

Obama's Director of the **EPA**, **Lisa Jackson**, served under Carol Browner when she was in charge and is currently leading the effort to declare carbon dioxide a "pollutant" so it can be regulated under the Clean Air Act. It is a gas vital ...

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By info@climatechange-fraud.com (Thomas Fuller,...)

Lisa Jackson: If I want your opinion, I'll give it to you! Alan Carlin, the **EPA** economist who cause a furor by disagreeing with the established global warming science and by detailing his objections in a memo that was studiously ignored ...

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By Matt Dernoga

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By Cher C.

I've been truly inspired by what thousands are doing around the country to stop mountaintop removal and Big Coal, especially by asking **Lisa Jackson** of the **EPA** to stop extending permits that would destroy more mountains.

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By Paul

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By The Nation

Along with the appointment of **Lisa Jackson** to head the **EPA**, it appeared the Obama administration was prepared to elevate environmental justice concerns to equal billing along with climate change environmentalism. ...

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Obama **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** and White House Council on Environmental Quality Chairwoman Nancy Sutley are expected to attend. **Jackson** will be keynote speaker. Joining them are expected to be UNICEF Executive Director Ann Veneman ...

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(H-S); EPA chief **Lisa Jackson** will spend time today watching the President's speech to America's schoolchildren from Southern High; **Jackson** is also touring the EPA's large research site in RTP on the trip. ...

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By Matt Dernoga

With hundreds of mountaintop removal sites now in the balance, this is the moment of truth for the **EPA**, Administration **Lisa Jackson**, and President Obama to make good on promises to reign in this clearly environmentally devastating ...

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By Avril Doyle, European Parliament Rapporteur

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By Norris McDonald

EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**, above left, will hold a press conference call an hour before the Fox briefing to discuss the seven draft reports required by President Obama's Executive Order on the Chesapeake Bay. ...

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By Staff Reports

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Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** will join volunteers from Chicago Cares to prepare Kilbourne Park's community gardens for this Saturday's Harvest Festival. 9:45 a.m. CDT Kilbourne Park, 3501 N. Kilbourne Ave, Chicago Ill. ...

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... Obama's goal for clean water throughout the region," said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** in a news release (PDF 24 kb). "These reports bring us a step closer to achieving the vision we all share for the future of the Chesapeake Bay. ...

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May is an important and symbolic date, said **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson**. It will mark one year since Obama signed an executive order declaring the Bay a national treasure in need of swifter, more meaningful attention from federal and ...

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Lisa Jackson, the **EPA** administrator, insisted again last week that the Obama team would still prefer cap-and-trade legislation over implementing her agency's climate regulations, which are certain to be the target of lawsuits. ...

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[Bay reports call for more livestock regulations - Kansas City Star](#)

EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson says details on items such as how many more animal feeding operations would be regulated have not been decided. The **EPA** head said in a conference call announcing the reports' release Thursday ...

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By WhitesCreek

EPA: Mountaintop Removal Violates Clean Water Act. Submitted by WhitesCreek on September 11, 2009 - 1:55pm. Sanity and the public interest have returned to the **EPA**. Thank you, **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** ! This is BIG! ...

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[Earthbytes: EPA Marks 79 Surface Coal Mines for Extended Review](#)

By Hawk

Back in March, Administrator **Lisa Jackson** announced that holds had been placed on hundreds of mountaintop coal-mining permits until it can evaluate the projects' impacts on streams and wetlands. The agency also denied outright two ...

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While our hope was that **EPA's** preliminary review would have resulted in an immediate halt to all future mountaintop removal, **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson's** action today offers a welcome reprieve for Appalachia. ...

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[EPA Requesting Closer Review of 79 Mountaintop Mining Permits ...](#)

By Stacy Morford

wrote to **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** yesterday, calling it “more than inappropriate to revoke a permit that was rigorously reviewed lawfully issued, and has been active for two years.” Luke Popovich, a spokesman for the ...

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[Update on EPA and Mountaintop Removal Permits « The Dernogalizer](#)

By Matt Dernoga

“The whole permitting process had become a bit toothless,” **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** admitted in a recent interview with the Tampa Bay Press. “The Corps of Engineers understands [that] when the **EPA** has concerns, it's going to raise ...

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"The administration pledged earlier this year to improve review of mining projects that risked harming water quality," said EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** in a press release. "Release of this preliminary list is the first step in a ...

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[Conservative Revolutionary American Party III: EPA Puts 79 Coal ...](#)

By T. Scott Brineman

... to assure that the environmental concerns raised by the 79 permit applications are addressed and that permits issued are protective of water quality and affected ecosystems," EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said in the statement. ...

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[EPA delays 79 permits for Appalachian surface mines | McClatchy](#)

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said the release of the list Friday was the first step to make sure that any permits issued would protect water quality and ecosystems. "We look forward to working closely with the Army Corps of Engineers, ...

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[EPA To Review New Mountaintop Removal Coal Mining Permits](#)

Assistant Secretary of the Army Jo-Ellen Darcy joined **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** in making the announcement. "We applaud this action by the Obama administration to return the rule of law to the Appalachian coalfields," said Mary ...

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[EPA Global Warming Whistleblower Scandal Spurs Activist Campaign | CEI](#)

By Christine Hall

Freedom Action is urging the public to email three basic demands to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**: 1) to halt any action on carbon dioxide until its has formally apologized to the senior **EPA** analyst whose report was suppressed; ...

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[Anti Pollution Revolution Campaign™: Socialization Of Water? WHY ...](#)

By Chadwick @ APRC

"**Lisa Jackson**, the new Head of the **EPA**, admits that our nation's water doesn't meet public health standards, but so what?" "Why hasn't this been fixed and addressed already? How did this happen, how did this become so dire?" ...

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[The Overbrook Foundation: EPA Takes on Mountaintop Removal Mining](#)

By Samantha Harvey

EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** made a diplomatically clarified the new administration intends to comply with the Clean Water Act while preserving the interests of the energy industry. "We look forward to working closely with the Army ...

[The Overbrook Foundation - http://overbrookfoundation.blogspot.com/](#)

[Dissident Voice : Need for EPA Inspector General Investigation of ...](#)

By Robert D. Bullard

President Barack Obama made a bold move this year by selecting **Lisa P. Jackson**, the first African American to head the **EPA**. Now he is set to select **EPA** regional administrators—ten important and powerful posts that can reshape the agency ...

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By Sebastian Blanco

"American drivers will keep more money in their pockets, put less pollution into the air, and help reduce a dependence on oil that sends billions of dollars out of our economy every year," said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. ...

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[The Washington Independent » Obama Team Announces First Rules on ...](#)

By Kate Sheppard

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** declined to offer much information about their progress on that front at a press conference on Tuesday. "EPA will continue to do its job, which is to respond to the now 2-plus-year old ruling about the ...

[The Washington Independent](http://washingtonindependent.com/) - <http://washingtonindependent.com/>

[New Interagency Program to Address Climate Change and Energy Security](#)

DOT Secretary Ray LaHood and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** Propose National Program to Improve Fuel Economy and Reduce Greenhouse Gases.

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[EPA to place limits on power plant water pollution - Nation ...](#)

The agency said the new rules will be unveiled in 2012, but **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** is pushing for an earlier target date. In a preliminary study released last year, the **EPA** found that only a fraction of the nation's power plants ...

[The Olympian Online -- Nation & World](http://www.theolympian.com/nationworld/) - <http://www.theolympian.com/nationworld/>

[Obama officials outline proposed fuel efficiency rules for new ...](#)

By Ken Thomas

Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** released the proposed regulations at the White House, the follow-up to President Barack Obama's announcement in May that the government regulations would link ...

[Breaking News](http://blog.taragana.com/n/) - <http://blog.taragana.com/n/>

[09-15-09 Proposed National Program to Improve Fuel Economy and ...](#)

By Brian Allmer

WASHINGTON – U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Ray LaHood and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** today jointly proposed a rule establishing an historic national program that would ...

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By myglesias

About that **EPA** Regulatory Authority. **Lisa Jackson**. Ted suggests that I might want to start taking my cues from Katherine Weymouth and offer some cheerier stories: Also, Matt, I think *your* readers might appreciate some cheerier stories ...

[Matthew Yglesias - http://yglesias.thinkprogress.org/](http://yglesias.thinkprogress.org/)

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By rafael

Lisa Jackson's EPA has been hashing through the issues quickly. The final endangerment finding is coming soon, the mobile-source proposal is already on paper, and the stationary-source regulations ... well, they're another matter. ...

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[Welcome to the Fast Lane: The Official Blog of the U.S. Secretary ...](#)

By Ray LaHood

This is one of those days when I am so clearly reminded of why I joined this Administration. Today, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** and I announced a proposed rule that would bring our nation a step closer to a future...

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[The Westerner: Enviro Groups Threaten to Sue **EPA** Over Coal Plant ...](#)

By The Westerner

But while federal law requires **EPA** to review its power-plant discharge rules each year and decide whether to revise them, the agency has not issued a decision since 1982, according to a notice sent today to Administrator **Lisa Jackson** ...

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[Welcome to the Fast Lane: The Official Blog of the U.S. Secretary ...](#)

By Ray LaHood

Getting together, seeking consensus, establishing priorities, setting things in motion. Solving problems. Over and over during the past two days, that's what we--I and **EPA's Lisa Jackson** and HUD's Shawn Donovan--have been seeing. ...

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By Jon Hale

EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** told Duhigg, "I don't think there's a solution in my head yet that I could say, right now, write this piece of legislation, this will get it done." Wisconsin Gov. Jim Doyle has financed projects to use ...

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By Sara Wolfson

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By admin

As announced by Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** on March 9, 2009, **EPA**, together with other federal agencies and states, is working to ensure that tragedies like the coal ash spill in Kingston, Tenn. last December are avoided through the ...

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By David Doniger

The new **EPA** administrator, **Lisa Jackson**, has begun to act on the science that so clearly demonstrates the dangers of global warming. The third pathway is through the courts. Today's decision reaffirms that people are entitled to their ...

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By hannah

As the editors of the Post surely know, no one – not President Obama, not **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, not members of Congress – has claimed for a moment that the best way to tackle climate change is via the Clean Air Act. Since last ...

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... photo to our album with a sign that says 'Coal Is Dirty Business,' we may use your photo in a visual display at one of the events. After the events are over, we will deliver the photos as a petition to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson!** ...

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1 under the new reporting system from the Environmental Protection Agency. The program will apply to about 10000 facilities that emit about 85 percent of the nation's greenhouse gases, said **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson**, in her Sept.

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[Murkowski calls for tougher energy bill: "Climate legislation must ...](#)

By Joe

Nearly all environmental groups, members of Congress and even **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** have said that congressional action on climate change is preferable to **EPA** regulation. Can't disagree with that (see "The dangerous myth that ...

[Climate Progress - http://climateprogress.org/](http://climateprogress.org/)

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By Laura B.

"This is a major step forward in our effort to address the greenhouse gases polluting our skies," said **EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson**. "For the first time, we begin collecting data from the largest facilities in this country, ...

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By Eartha Jane Melzer

EPA has acknowledged the health risks posed by dioxin in the watershed. In a statement this spring, **EPA** Director **Lisa Jackson** called the contamination a public health threat and promised swift action. ...

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By Marc

So is the U.S. government, and in particular **EPA**, which signed a contract with UPS after company officials told their story to **EPA** admin **Lisa Jackson**. By the way, the U.S. Post Office, another competitor, hasn't measured its carbon ...

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"**EPA** is an independent agency, not part of HHS or the Public Health Service," Barton and Walden wrote to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. "We are curious how **EPA** can legally use statutory authority explicitly committed to the Public ...

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[Black Women, Blow The Trumpet!](#)

By LISA VAZQUEZ

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By Co2sceptic

Murkowski's amendment would be a "death knell" to the higher fuel economy standards President Barack Obama negotiated with U.S. automakers in May, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said in an e-mailed statement. The **EPA** under President ...

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By Forbes

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By Katia

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By Laura B.

“PCBs have been banned for the last 30 years for most uses,” said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. “But unfortunately high levels of PCBs are present in many buildings and facilities constructed prior to the PCB ban, including most ...

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By David Doniger

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By Tom Blumer

acting unilaterally, without Congressional approval, but the **EPA** itself is not being led by its duly confirmed administrator -- **Lisa Jackson**. Instead it is being directed by Carol Browner, the White House Climate Czar with a ...

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[John Kerry, Against Cap And Trade Before He Was For It \(Wizbang\)](#)

By Kevin Aylward

Top Obama administration science officials, including Energy Secretary Steven Chu and U.S. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, have also adopted similar vocabulary in recent months. As the pair prepare for the next stage of climate ...

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By Oceanic Defense

... our water, and the food we eat, and shines new light on a major health threat to Americans and people all across the world," said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. "With this information in hand, plus our own mercury efforts, ...

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By smtaber

Lisa Murkowski's plan to limit **EPA**'s regulation of greenhouse gases did not come up for a vote after all. This, after Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** and the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers sent letters ...

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Today, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** unveiled the Obama Administration's "Essential Principles for Reform of Chemicals Management Legislation." The principles' significance lies not so much in the words they contain, but rather in what ...

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By sally_nussenfeld

"This is a major step forward in our effort to address the greenhouse gases polluting our skies," said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. "The American public, and industry itself, will finally gain critically important knowledge and with ...

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By ChamberPost

Lisa Jackson, the **EPA** administrator, insisted again last week that the Obama team would still prefer cap-and-trade legislation over implementing her agency's climate regulations, which are certain to be the target of lawsuits. ...

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By Jill

15 letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. "Your agency has the authority ... to restrict the permit until such time as it is modified to protect Cypress Creek." The proposed mall is being developed by the Richard E. Jacobs Group of ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** is introducing the proposal Sept. 30 at the California Governor's Global Climate Summit. The rule would require large emitters to obtain construction and operating permits to cover their emissions. ...

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By Mark Silva

Researchers are still studying and have yet to deploy a commercial-scale method to capture and store carbon emissions from coal plants, for example. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** will detail the plans in a speech this afternoon at Gov. ...

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... been assessed using the best available science and that unacceptable risks haven't been ignored—and unfortunately the current law doesn't allow us to grant them that assurance," said **Lisa Jackson**, who serves as **EPA** administrator, ...

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By Sibley Fleming

author of the Senate's climate-change bill, said If Congress does nothing, “we will be watching **EPA** do our job, because they must under the Clean Air Act.” **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said that she, and the rest of the Obama ...

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By New York Times

"This is a common sense rule that is carefully tailored to apply to only the largest sources – those from sectors responsible for nearly 70 percent of US greenhouse gas emissions sources," said **Lisa Jackson**, the **EPA** administrator, ...

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By Nancy Dunham

... we can begin reducing emissions from the nation's largest greenhouse gas emitting facilities without placing an undue burden on the businesses that make up the vast majority of our economy," **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said. ...

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Greenhouse Gas Emissions, ...

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By Nick Loris

In her speech, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said,. By using the power and authority of the Clean Air Act, we can begin reducing emissions from the nation's largest greenhouse gas emitting facilities without placing an undue burden on ...

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By Jon Hale

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Stakeholders and members of Congress are commending an historic announcement by **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** to reform America's chemical management law in order to help protect all Americans. On Tuesday, September 29, ...

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By Elsa Wenzel

Lisa Jackson, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (at left), said her agency would begin regulating CO2 as a pollutant at coal-burning power plants, refineries, and big industrial complexes, which account for 70 percent ...

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By Environmental News Network

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By Carter Wood

Except it's not the regulatory clock that **EPA** is starting, but rather full-blown policy making. The "tailoring" rule that **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** unveiled Thursday claims the authority to regulate carbon dioxide emissions under ...

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By Jer

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By Alex Bea

On Wednesday the **EPA** announced a proposal to require some of the biggest industrial polluters to install the "best available technology" to limit releases and improve energy efficiency. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** described their ...

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By Ken Ward Jr.

From my understanding, there has been hardly any change at the **EPA** aside from a new director? **Lisa Jackson** and perhaps some other high level positions. Most of the people that I know of from **EPA** were there during the previous ...

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By Vera Barbosa

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Real.Time.with.Bill.Maher.2009.10.02.HDTV.XviD-CHGRP ...

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[No Sick Visits: **EPA** Celebrates Children's Health Month](#)

By Lisa

“As both **EPA** Administrator and a mother, I understand the importance of protecting our children from environmental threats,” said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. “Throughout Children's Health Month, we will work to help parents and ...

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By Claire Van Camp

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That's especially important for the kids, who will use these lessons to cut energy use and reduce pollution for the rest of their lives," said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. "Confronting climate change, saving money on our utility ...

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By Dave Russell

One of **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson's** priorities is to improve the way **EPA** manages and assesses the risk of chemicals, including pesticides,. The evaluation will take place over the coming year. Brownfield's Tom Steever contributed to ...

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In a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, Murkowski said she was writing to express her "considerable disappointment" over how the **EPA** handled her move to restrict its ability to regulate greenhouse gas emissions from power plants, ...

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[EPA Taking Heat Over Toxic Emissions from America's Coal Plants ...](#)

By Luanne Bradley

Back in December when a coal ash spill occurred at the Tennessee Kingston Fossil Plant, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** promised to issue regulations by the end of the year for nearly 600 coal plants with on-site coal ash storage ponds ...

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By John Raby

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EPA Administrator Says 'EPA Is Back on the Job' (NPR). **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** talks about how the **EPA's** position on climate change has shifted toward real action since the Obama administration took over.

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They're leading the way in protecting our health and environment, and moving the country into the clean energy economy of the 21st century," **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** said in a statement. "This is a great lesson on how we reduce ...

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[Senate hearings on Kerry-Boxer Climate Bill begin | The Phoenix Sun](#)

By The Phoenix Sun

Statement by **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. Chairman Boxer, Ranking Minority Member Inhofe, and members of the Committee, thank you for inviting me to testify about the Clean Energy Jobs and American Power Act. ...

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"Only new legislation can bring about the comprehensive and integrated changes that are needed to restore America's economic health and keep the nation secure over the long term," **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** told the committee. ...

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The Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works heard testimony yesterday from US **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** and others on the Clean Energy Jobs and American Power Act...

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But surely **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** will talk a bit about global warming? Nope. First, the legislation would transform the American economy from one that is relatively inefficient and dependent on highly-polluting energy ...

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“Noting that the climate bill cap is not 'economywide,' **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** put forward the idea that, 'There are important carbon-emission sources that can be addressed through Clean Air Act regulations.' ...

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By Sammy Benoit

Inhofe disclosed that he recently asked **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** whether the cap-and-trade bill would actually result in a reduction in CO2 emissions, and she said it wouldn't. "The reason it wouldn't is that it doesn't matter ...

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By Daniel J. Smith

A U.S. Environmental Protection Agency press release from Oct. 27, 2009, indicated that **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, Energy Secretary Steven Chu, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood and Federal Energy ...

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By Ann M. Job

Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** released the proposed regulations at the White House, the follow-up to President Barack Obama's announcement in May that the government regulations would link ...

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[Political Activity Law · Lobbyists invited to fundraiser](#)

By Eric

A DNC official said it was a mistake that lobbyists were invited to a small gathering with **Lisa Jackson**, Obama's administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**). The official said a review of attendees indicates that no ...

[Political Activity Law - http://politicalactivitylaw.com/](http://politicalactivitylaw.com/)

[Epoch Times - Kerry-Boxer Bill Addresses Climate Change](#)

By By Jack Phillips/Epoch Times Staff

At the committee hearing, **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** and Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar urged Sen. Boxer's panel to be swift in their decision. Today was the first day of the hearings with two more days to go. Last Updated ...

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[Good Moves from **EPA** on Toxic Substances « The Pump Handle](#)

By Liz Borkowski

Jennifer Sass at NRDC's Switchboard blog takes a look at the good things that the Obama administration **EPA**, headed by Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, is doing on toxic substances. Three of the ones she pointed out particularly caught my eye ...

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By SPLASHDOWN

In May, the congressman asked **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** at a House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee hearing about the need for such a study. **Jackson** told Hinchey that she believed her agency should review the risk that ...

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[Bill Chameides: Cows Let Go a Sigh of Relief](#)

By Bill Chameides

And CUD has steered **EPA** in a different direction. No doubt in an attempt to avoid a stampede of protest from CUD, **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** stated that the agency had no intention of regulating emissions from ruminants. ...

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[N.C. to get stimulus funds for smart grid | theCLog](#)

By Rhiannon Bowman

“A cornerstone of our new foundation for prosperity is the growth of the American clean energy economy,” said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. “Investments in innovative Smart Grid technology will create new jobs, lower energy bills ...

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[EPA: NC to Share \\$200M Energy Grant | N.C. Go Green](#)

By Jennifer Wig

Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** made the announcement alongside Lt. Gov. Walter Dalton at a news conference Thursday in Raleigh. The grant will fund equipment upgrades through Progress Energy. ...

[NC Go Green - http://ncgogreen.myncblogs.com/](http://ncgogreen.myncblogs.com/)

[Senate Republicans Mull Stalling Climate Change Bill | TakePart ...](#)

By blair@takepart.com

EPA head **Lisa Jackson** testified that it could take “four to five weeks to run the full economic modeling” on the bill. Republicans argue they need the detailed information to gauge the economic impact, even though a preliminary analysis ...

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Jackson said it would take four to five more weeks to do such a review. Boxer replied that she is satisfied with the **EPA** analysis **Jackson** released last ...

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By The Capital-Journal

"EPA has determined that relocation is the primary option to address the concerns of Treece residents just as it was in neighboring Picher, Okla.," EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said in a written statement. ...

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[Environmentalists staging nationwide protests in battle to end ...](#)

By Vicki Smith

West Virginians Bo Webb and Chuck Nelson were in Washington, D.C., with at least two dozen other protesters, hoping to deliver a letter to EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. "I do think it's turning in our direction. ...

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[Senate Democrats Pushing For Climate Bill Markup Next Week ...](#)

By Environmental Leader

Voinovich said that EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** has not fully vetted the modeling of the Senate bill. Republicans also want any climate bill to be "deficit-neutral," a concession that Boxer said she is trying to accomplish, ...

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By Sparki

He stated that he had no direct influence on this case, as it's outside his region, but accepted a letter addressed to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** and said he would pass along the message. Mr. Gutro referred to the last anti-MTR ...

[The Understory : Understory.RAN.org - http://understory.ran.org/](http://understory.ran.org/)

[Breaking: **EPA** Sit-In to Spark Urgent Action on MTR « It's Getting ...](#)

By Morgan

Today, environmentalists have delivered a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** asking the **EPA** to intervene quickly and decisively to save Coal River Mountain for the safety of the community and the protection of their water ...

[It's Getting Hot In Here - http://itsgettinghotinhere.org/](http://itsgettinghotinhere.org/)

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The protestors were disappointed they could not hand-deliver a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, who was not in the building. Nelson said they ultimately delivered it to a staff member. The **EPA** issued a statement saying the ...

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[Reid To Push Dem Senators To Fight GOP Obstruction](#)

By The Huffington Post News Editors

In a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, Voinovich acknowledged that his hold is not "a reflection on Mr. Perciasepe's ability to perform in the role of the deputy administrator." -- South Carolina Republican Jim DeMint is ...

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By Michael

"You're editorializing on my comments, as you do everyone else's comments," Voinovich said just moments after seizing on testimony earlier this week from U.S. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** where the Obama official acknowledged the ...

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By Lisa R

If you haven't already, please, please call **Lisa Jackson** at the **EPA** and President Obama to urge them to stop mountaintop removal and save Coal River Mountain. **Lisa Jackson's** number is 202-564-4700; President Obama is 202-456-1414. ...

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By Ralph Bloemers

The office is under orders from **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to reform and speed up its process for handling Civil Rights Act discrimination claims following an appeals court ruling that found OCR violated its own policies through a ...

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[The Understory » Zombies March on SF **EPA**, Demand End of MTR, Brains](#)

By Branden

It was an unusual site at the **EPA** on Friday, as a group of mountain-loving zombies turned up to let **EPA** Administrator, **Lisa Jackson**, know that Mountaintop Removal coal mining must stop. Where are your braaaains???? "Where's your Brains? ...

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By Amanda DeBard, Washington Times

lisa-jackson-epa. EPA head Lisa Jackson: On the warpath. To appreciate the extent to which the Environmental Protection Agency under President Obama is a regulator reborn, consider this: **EPA** officials have begun to cut air pollution by ...

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[EPA Administrator Testifies Before Congress on New Clean Water Act ...](#)

By Perry Fowler

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) Administrator **Lisa Jackson** appeared October 15 before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure to discuss the Clean Water Act's (CWA) permit program and ...

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[Carl Pope: The Best and Worst of Times](#)

By Carl Pope

It is back where it really matters, with people like John Holdren as Science Advisor, Steven Chu at Energy, **Lisa Jackson** at **EPA**, and Jane Lubchenco at the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration. ...

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[Barcelona, Copenhagen, and climate change walkouts - Nov 4 ...](#)

By kristinsponsler

On Oct. 27, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** testified before the Senate Environment Committee that the two bills were so similar that they will likely have the same impact on costs, energy use, and other variables. She said: ...

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[Inspector General to Probe **EPA** Marketing of Coal Ash](#)

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Lisa Jackson reiterating the Republicans' ...

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[Rob Perks: Facing Coal Hard Facts at Interior Department](#)

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... to be walking the walk on mountaintop removal coal mining thanks to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson's** leadership, it's quite another story over at DOI. ...

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[Ex-Save the Bay chief to run **EPA** in NE](#)

Providence Business News

“At this moment of great challenge and even greater opportunity, I'm thrilled that Curt will be part of our leadership team at **EPA**,” **Lisa P. Jackson**, ...

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By DRP

In August, **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** issued an all-employee statement saying the agency will operate as if in a "fishbowl" but left ambiguous whether and how employees may publish papers or communicate with Congress and the media. ...

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By Kirsten Korosec

The **EPA** also has sent over its finding on whether cars and trucks cause or contribute to that pollution, Reuters reported, after interviewing **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson**. Those findings are potentially disruptive to automakers ...

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By Kate

Attendees to the APHA's annual meeting were given flyers on their way into the opening session urging them to "Tell **Lisa Jackson**: Save Coal River Mountain." Ms. **Jackson** and the **EPA** have been the targets of a campaign by a coalition of ...

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[EPA Sends Greenhouse Gas Endangerment Finding to White House for ...](#)

That finding, once official, could open the door for the **EPA** to issue rules for regulating greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** told Reuters in an interview on Monday that the final proposal ...

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[11-10-09 Colorado helps **EPA** reach milestone of one million Energy ...](#)

By Brian Allmer

That's great news for anyone who wants to cut costs and protect our planet," said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. "We're going to keep the number of Energy Star homes growing, because every new Energy Star home is a step towards ...

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[Heliogenic Climate Change: Assisted economic suicide REQUIRED by ...](#)

By jblethen

In a letter to Vitter, **EPA** administration **Lisa Jackson** wrote that she does not know what her agency would do. "It is premature to describe exactly what additional actions **EPA** may take until such an analysis is conducted," she wrote. ...

[Heliogenic Climate Change - http://heliogenic.blogspot.com/](http://heliogenic.blogspot.com/)

[If Cap and Trade Doesn't Work, Obama will Make it Work » The Foundry](#)

By Nick Loris

Even **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said, "We get further faster without top-down regulation." Added regulations on top of cap and trade would be a bureaucratic nightmare that could delay economic projects and tie them up in litigation ...

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[EPA study finds toxic chemicals in fish tissue in all 50 states](#)

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[Climate Change Bill's Murky Battleground: Assumptions and Statistics](#)

U.S. News & World Report

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By Jonathan Bean

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By Deirdre Imus

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) announced the winners of the 8th annual national award for smart growth achievement at the National Building Museum this week. **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** introduced the award winners by ...

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Environmental Protection Agency head **Lisa Jackson** declined Inhofe's request. "At this point, I have seen nothing that indicates the scientists out there have said that they've changed their consensus," **Jackson** said. ...

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[Statement of EPA Administrator on Toxic Substances Control Act ...](#)

By grassam

Statement of **EPA Administrator** on Toxic Substances Control Act. FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE. December 2, 2009. Statement of **Lisa P. Jackson**, Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Legislative Hearing on the Toxic Substances ...

[AFS Blog - http://www.fisheries.org/blog/](http://www.fisheries.org/blog/)

[Sustainable Cities Collective | Smart growth exemplars honored by EPA](#)

By Kaid Benfield

The **EPA** awards ceremony featured an articulate and on-message speech by **EPA administrator Lisa Jackson**, videos of each winner, and a panel discussion among the winning sponsors, moderated by Juliet Eilperin of The Washington Post. ...

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[EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** Announces Over \\$16 million in ...](#)

By Yosemite.EPA.gov

WASHINGTON ? The head of the Environmental Protection Agency, Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**, today announced more than \$16 million in American.

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[Earth Equity News](#)

By Earth Equity Editor

Speakers currently scheduled include: **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**... Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar... Commerce Secretary Gary Locke... Energy Secretary Steven Chu... Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. ...

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[Washington Times: US scholar claims NASA hiding climate data ...](#)

By seeker401

Republican leaders also sent a letter to Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** Wednesday telling her she should withdraw a series of **EPA** rules until the global warming science can be better substantiated. ...

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[BLACK POLITICAL BUZZ....: Obama Shuffles Copenhagen Trip To Attend ...](#)

By Laurel

Lisa Murkowski, (R-Alaska), the highest ranking Republican member on the Senate Energy and Natural Resources committee. "My home state of Alaska literally has villages falling into the ocean – where's the support for the people in our own country ... The finding puts new pressure on Congress to pass climate change legislation that would preempt the new regulations before the **EPA** begins acting. It also raises the stakes for the Administration and for moderate Democrats. ...

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[Heliogenic Climate Change - http://heliogenic.blogspot.com/](http://heliogenic.blogspot.com/)

[The White House Blog. US: Youth and the Clean Energy Economy - A ...](#)

By Bob Williamson

You can follow Interior Secretary Salazar, Energy Secretary Chu, Labor Secretary Solis, and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** on Facebook. Or you can catch up with the Department of the Interior, Department of Labor or **EPA** on Twitter. ...

[The White House Blog. US - http://thewhitehouseblogus.blogspot.com/](http://thewhitehouseblogus.blogspot.com/)

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By Dr. Bruce Cordell

James Inhofe (WSJ, 11/27/09), in response to a question from him, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** stated it won't significantly reduce global CO2 emissions. As countries like the U.S. struggle to recover from the current great recession, ...

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[Clean Energy NOW !: White House hosts Young Leaders](#)

By David

Presenters included **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, and Cabinet Members Steven Chu (Energy), Ken Salazar (Interior), and Hilda Solis (Labor). The meeting was webcast live and included an online discussion open to all. ...

[Clean Energy NOW ! - http://cleannrg.blogspot.com/](http://cleannrg.blogspot.com/)

[Jessy Tolkan: Youth Climate Leaders Talk Time Lines & Targets At ...](#)

By Jessy Tolkan

Several dozen of us were invited to the White House to speak with **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, Secretary of Energy Steven Chu, Council on Environmental Quality Chair Nancy Sutley, Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar and Secretary ...

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[Climate of Our Future - http://climateofourfuture.org/](http://climateofourfuture.org/)

[The Watchdog: Obama Declares Ostrich To Be New National Symbol](#)

By Watchdog

Following her leader, **Lisa Jackson** of the **EPA** has embraced the new symbol with gusto. The ostrich's claim to fame is that it chooses to bury its head in the sand rather than face the ugly truth. That's exactly what the **EPA** has done with ...

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[Obama May Visit Climate Talks Armed With CO2 Ruling](#)

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Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** "will make a significant climate announcement" today, the agency said in an e-mailed statement. ...

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[EPA moving to regulate CO2 under Clean Air Act](#)

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EPA Chief **Lisa Jackson** is expected to declare greenhouse gases a danger to public health and welfare, according to press reports. See story about Copenhagen ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** scheduled a news conference for later Monday to announce the so-called endangerment finding, officials told The Associated ...

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[How to Destroy the US Economy: Regulate Carbon Dioxide](#)

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[US EPA Said to Declare Carbon Dioxide a Hazard Today](#)

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By Olga

EPA's Lisa Jackson to Make Climate Change Announcement. The announcement will come at 1:15 pm eastern. Watch a live stream here: The Obama administration will formally declare Monday that carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas ...

[Today With President Barack Obama - http://ochairball.blogspot.com/](http://ochairball.blogspot.com/)

[EPA cues up announcement | POLITICO 44](#)

By Kendra Marr

Timed with the first day of the U.N. Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen, Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** will make a "significant climate change announcement" on Monday. The **EPA** said Jackson will hold a ...

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[Governors Chris Gregoire and Ted Kulongoski Host **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. ...**](#)

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"We're hearing a whole host of reasons today to support American clean energy," said **Lisa Jackson**. "There are national security reasons. ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** signed orders declaring six greenhouse gases including carbon dioxide blamed for global warming to be pollutants that are ...

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"Climate change has now become a household issue," said **Lisa Jackson**, head of the Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**), adding that the evidence of climate ...

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[US to regulate greenhouse gas emissions](#)

BBC News

EPA administrator **Lisa Jackson** said the agency was now "authorised and obligated to make reasonable efforts" to cut greenhouse gases. ...

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Wall Street Journal

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[EPA chief: The hacked emails don't change a thing](#)

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By Ben Geman - 12/07/09 02:28 PM ET **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** today cast aside GOP calls to delay a critical finding on greenhouse gas emissions in ...

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[Political battle over climate change heats up as Prez calls for regulating ...](#)

New York Daily News

BY David Saltonstall **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** speaks during a news conference on

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Wall Street Journal

Utility executives, joined by **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, have said they prefer that Congress, rather than the **EPA**, regulate greenhouse emissions. ...

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** Announces "Endangerment Finding" - This is Not an "Either/Or". Posted Monday, December 7, 2009 by Kristina Tridico. Saying "[w]ith respect to climate pollution, ...

[Green Industries Initiative - http://blog.icemiller.com/blog/green-industries-initiative](http://blog.icemiller.com/blog/green-industries-initiative)

[EPA rules that greenhouse gases are harmful to human health ...](#)

"This administration will not ignore the science or the law any longer," **Lisa Jackson**, **EPA** Administrator said at a press conference in Washington this afternoon. "Nor will we avoid the responsibility we owe to our children and ...

[Politics - http://features.csmonitor.com/politics/](http://features.csmonitor.com/politics/)

[Investors.com - EPA May Regulate Greenhouse Gases, Warning Congress](#)

Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said the agency had determined that those gases threaten public safety and the environment, so regulating them falls under the **EPA's** scope. **Jackson** repeatedly said the ...

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[EPA: Greenhouse Gases Pose Danger to Humans](#)

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[Republicans Knock EPA Position on Greenhouse Gasses](#)

CBS News

EPA administrator Lisa Jackson held a news conference this afternoon where she discussed and defended the decision. "The overwhelming amount of scientific ...

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By Alyssa

On Wednesday, **Lisa Jackson**, administer of the **E.P.A.** spoke to a group of people at the COP15 conference. Outside of the U.S. delegation's room where the speech was held, there was a large group of people waiting to try to make their way ...

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Ms. Eilperin indicated that, "But **Jackson's** biggest applause line came when we said she was 'proud' of the **EPA's** declaration Monday that greenhouse gases endanger public health and welfare. Juliet Eilperin reported in today's Washington Post that, "The day began with Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** detailing the many measures President Obama has taken to cut greenhouse gases in the United States, telling a packed audience at the U.S. ...

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Speaking at global climate talks in Copenhagen Wednesday, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** acknowledged the organizations shortfalls over the last eight years. "We have been fighting to make up for lost time," Jackson said. ...

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By Kaydee

In calling these findings "long overdue," **EPA** head **Lisa Jackson** managed to get in an indirect swipe at the Bush Administration, which quite reasonably refused to rush out a bunch of new regulations following the Supreme Court ruling. ...

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The **EPA** does not have to present scientific proof, but only point to compelling scientific evidence to support its rulings. So, legal questions on definitive proof of climate change may have difficulty. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** ...

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Now, how about **Lisa Jackson**, the head duck of the **EPA**??? Folks, our "study the polls not the sciences" federal government has, in a speech from Lisa, announced that carbon dioxide is a pollutant and hazardous to your health. ...

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By Politisite

Lisa Jackson, Obama's EPA Administrator, admitted to me publicly that EPA based its action today in good measure on the findings of the UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, or IPCC. She told me that EPA accepted those ...

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By Mrs L

With her so-called "endangerment finding" declaration, EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** made clear that this declaration will lead to new regulations under the Clean Air Act to govern emission standards for cars, power plants, ...

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By Cross Current Guide Service

EPA and its partners are stepping up to prevent the environmental and economic destruction that can come from invasive Asian carp," said Task Force Chair **Lisa P. Jackson**. "President Obama's Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and ...

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By Alex Wang

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In October, the **E.P.A.** administrator, **Lisa . Jackson**, said she was overhauling how the Clean Water Act is enforced. But widespread problems still remain. БЪН The **E.P.A** . would rather look the other way than crack down on cities, ...

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By williamkevinstoos

Jackson inquired. Hugh detected a sense of urgency in the caller's voice. But, as the world's most trusted name in news, Hugh was used to frantic calls from heads of state, bureaucrats, and, at times, even the President himself—who ...

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[The Vigilance Project: Copenhagen Unwittingly Exposes Climate Fraud](#)

By Paul

Now that Cap and Trade had been called dead on arrival, the President's appointed hit man (or should I say hit person), **Lisa Jackson** of the **EPA** is issuing her ultimatum to Congress. Without Cap and Trade, warns Ms. Jackson, the **EPA** will ...

[The Vigilance Project - http://thevigilanceproject.blogspot.com/](http://thevigilanceproject.blogspot.com/)

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By Van Helsing

Describes **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, "This long-overdue finding cements 2009's place in history as the year when the United States government began seriously addressing the challenge of greenhouse gas pollution.

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By Tiffany Danitz Pache

As invasive species, Asian Carp were always going get some fiscal attention from the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative funding, and now **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, has announced that \$13 million will go directly to trying to stop ...

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I read with amazement that **EPA** chief **Lisa Jackson** has declared carbon dioxide to be a "threat to public health." Isn't carbon dioxide the stuff that animals ...

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Aaron Schock, R-Peoria, along with six of his colleagues sent a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** this week. Their letter said the **EPA's** decision ...

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By Chad

What **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said is true, not "may be." But again, the truth, the facts are getting in the way of the story. There are several other "tricks" Wright uses, sadly common in TV news stories to paint a distorted ...

[BuzzFlash.org - Progressive News... - http://blog.buzzflash.com/](http://blog.buzzflash.com/)

[Big Government » Blog Archive » Disputed Science Can Lead to ...](#)

By Gov. Rick Perry (R-TX)

I said so in a letter I sent to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** last week as a formal request that the **EPA** immediately reverse its decision. I haven't heard anything back, and with President Obama on his way to Copenhagen, ...

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[Texas Insider » Rep. Gene Green and Democratic Congressional ...](#)

By admin

Washington, D.C. – Representative Gene Green and a Democratic group of U.S. Representatives sent a letter to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, urging support for a transparent and scientifically-sound ... The conference report for the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (P.L. 111-88) requested the Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) to conduct a study of “the relationship ...

[Texas Insider - http://www.texasinsider.org/](http://www.texasinsider.org/)

[“Legal” Tap Water Still Deadly | NYC Magazine](#)

By Igor Derysh

In fairness, new **EPA** chief **Lisa Jackson** has made cleaning up the water supply a priority but she will have to go through congress to get anything of real substance done. Congress has not acted on her requests. ...

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15 letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. They specifically recommended that the study rely on accepted quality assurance guidelines; that **EPA** "fully ...

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But **EPA** administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** called the findings "long overdue." "Scientific consensus shows that as a result of human activities, ...

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By Citizens' Alliance for Responsible Energy

WASHINGTON--As world leaders meet in Copenhagen to discuss reducing greenhouse gas emissions, **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** has positioned herself, with President Obama's approval, to make an end run around Congress and impose ...

[CARE: Comments About Responsible Energy - http://responsiblenenergy.blogspot.com/](http://responsiblenenergy.blogspot.com/)

[Officially Official: EPA rules greenhouse gases are harmful to ...](#)

By admin

Regardless of what the federal government decides to do, recently-appointed **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** has indicated that individual states - specifically California - will be free to enact their own greenhouse gas regulations. ...

[Automotive Reviews - http://automotive.pagemyx.com/](http://automotive.pagemyx.com/)

[Congressmen from Producing States Weigh in on Safety of Hydrauling ...](#)

Twenty-two US House Democrats from Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arkansas, Utah and Idaho delivered a letter to Environmental Protection Agency Director **Lisa P. Jackson**, cautioning the **EPA** to do a "reasonable and transparent ...

[Oil and Gas Lawyer Blog - http://www.oilandgaslawyerblog.com/](http://www.oilandgaslawyerblog.com/)

[No Coal Ash Regulations This Year | unEARTHED, the Earthjustice blog](#)

By Jared Saylor

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** told Congress her agency was planning to regulate coal ash by the end of this year. Just last month, **EPA** sent proposed regulations to the Office of Management and Budget, the government agency that reviews ...

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[Pond'rings - http://pondrings.org/](http://pondrings.org/)

[The ChamberPost: Endangerment vs. Federal Legislation](#)

By ChamberPost

Mr. Obama and the **EPA** administrator, **Lisa Jackson**, have said repeatedly that they would much prefer a comprehensive legislative approach. (NY Times - December 2009) Congress needs to step up with responsible legislation and the **EPA** ...

[The ChamberPost - http://www.chamberpost.com/](http://www.chamberpost.com/)

[BBC - Mark Mardell's America: Obama's hard sell on climate change](#)

"The Obama administration-appointed Director of **EPA Lisa Jackson** has emphasised and stated that the science on which the endangerment finding is based is the International Panel on Climate Change science which has been debunked. ...

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[EPA's approach to uranium-mining guidelines angers environmentalists](#)

Denver Post

... "a troubling lack of transparency and public involvement," the environmental groups said in a letter sent Thursday to EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. ...

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[Right, Wing-Nut!: The **EPA's Lisa Jackson**: EnviornmentalSlut](#)

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And now the **EPA** has its own "Climategate." It is in the report by **EPA's** Dr. Alan Carlin who was—according to this July 16 letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**—subjected to a gag order. [letter here [PDF]] ...

[Knowledge is Power - http://sondrak.com/index.php](http://sondrak.com/index.php)

[ANOTHER STOOS VIEWS EXCLUSIVE: Vowing to stop speaking and ...](#)

By nhienstra

Lisa Jackson at the **EPA** has informed me privately that **EPA** tests show I am the single largest polluter per capita in the United States. In fact, the **EPA** has threatened to enjoin me if I do not make some changes. ...

[Conservative Thoughts and Profundity - http://conservativemeanderings.wordpress.com/](http://conservativemeanderings.wordpress.com/)

[Water you drinking? - Water Matters @ Columbia](#)

By Stephen Yang

With **Lisa Jackson** as the new administrator of the **E.P.A.** under the Obama administration, the time has come for the **E.P.A.** to assume its responsibilities as our nation's regulator and enforcer of our water resources. ...

[Water Matters @ Columbia - http://blogs.ei.columbia.edu/water/](http://blogs.ei.columbia.edu/water/)

[In Hong Kong and Thinking About Copenhagen & Climate Change ...](#)

By Jason J. Czarnecki

And I'm still wondering what the U.S. political side of this will look like in 12 months—will Obama, **Lisa Jackson** and the **EPA** act to regulate CO2 under the Clean Air Act by creating a National Ambient Air Quality Standard, or will **EPA** ...

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[Elsenheimer's Lansing Newsreel: Weekly Update - December 18th, 2009](#)

By State Representative Kevin A. Elsenheimer

EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** is looking for a few good projects to fulfill the goals of President Barack Obama's Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. The request for proposals (RFP) released by **EPA** invites partner agencies, ...

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[How Obama bought 6 senators « Don Surber](#)

By Don Surber

“On June 17, 2009, **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** Issued A Public Health Emergency (PHE) Finding At The Libby Asbestos Superfund Site In Northwest Montana. Over The Past Several Years, Hundreds Of Cases Of Asbestos-Related Disease Have ...

[Don Surber - http://blogs.dailymail.com/donsurber/](http://blogs.dailymail.com/donsurber/)

[The hoax of man-made global warming « Warning ... Bazzo at Work!](#)

By ltpbazzo

In spite of the hoax being exposed last week, **Lisa Jackson**, head of the federal Environmental Protection Agency, formally announced that her agency now considers carbon dioxide to be a dangerous pollutant, subject to government regulation. ... She added, “The **EPA** is going to have to regulate in this area. . . . And it is not going to be able to regulate on a market-based way, so it's going to have to regulate in a command-and-control way.” All this proves my point: it is ...

[Warning ... Bazzo at Work! - http://ltpbazzo.wordpress.com/](http://ltpbazzo.wordpress.com/)

[OpEdNews - Diary: Copenhoggin'](#)

In October 2009, he got the chance to sit down with **Lisa Jackson**, the current **EPA** Administrator. What follows is a transcript (my own, done without "ums" and "ahs", but you can listen to the whole thing here, starting at 11:00) of the ...

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[CNN Student News Transcript December 8, 2009 - □□□ □□□ ...](#)

By ninomimania

LISA JACKSON, EPA ADMINISTRATOR: I have not heard anything that causes me to believe that that overwhelming consensus that climate change is happening and that man-made emissions are contributing to it have changed. ...

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[A year after Tenn. disaster, fight over coal-ash r ... - News ...](#)

By kward@wvgazette.com (Ken Ward Jr.)

Last week, the Obama administration backed off Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson's** promise to publish proposed new coal-ash rules before the end of 2009. The **EPA** offered no new timeline, saying only that the ...

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... is to ensure that mining companies avoid environmental degradation and protect water quality so that Appalachian communities don't have to choose between jobs and their health,” said EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. ...

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Lisa P Jackson, Administrator of the US Environmental Protection Agency, issued a public memo to **EPA** employees detailing "seven key themes to focus the work of our agency" in 2010 and beyond. The seven themes are: ...

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Lisa P. Jackson had a pretty good first year as head of the **EPA**. They set new mileage requirements for cars and made a concerted effort on climate change ...

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By Josie Garthwaite

Lisa Jackson, Administrator for the Environmental Protection Agency Influence: Overseeing agency that will develop vehicle emissions standards and new fuel economy rating system for alt-fuel vehicles. ... In addition to helping to shape the regulatory environment for lower-emission and more fuel efficient vehicles, Jackson's **EPA** is developing a new system for plug-in vehicle fuel economy ratings—already shaping up to be a competitive marketing point for electric car ...

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[Agriculture Groups Defend Atrazine Against Agenda-Driven Attacks ...](#)

By sinha

A broad coalition of agriculture groups representing the Triazine Network have written to **Lisa Jackson**, Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, in defense of the herbicide atrazine, which has become the target of a ... See copy of the letter to the **EPA** and listen to audio file of nationwide teleconference: <http://www.ksgains.com/corn>. Atrazine, a critical tool in growing crops as diverse as corn, sorghum, sugar cane, and citrus, has been used safely in over ...

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[Alan Gregory's Conservation News - http://wolverines.wordpress.com/](http://wolverines.wordpress.com/)

[Locomotive Breath 1901: Copenhagen Congressional Junket Costs Tax ...](#)

By locomotivebreath1901

Lisa Jackson Administrator, **EPA** Gina McCarthy Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation White House Executive Office staff: From the Office of Energy and Climate Change: Heather Zichal Tony Russell Jake Levine Joe Aldy ...

[Locomotive Breath 1901 - http://locomotivebreath1901.blogspot.com/](http://locomotivebreath1901.blogspot.com/)

[Consequence » Climate Bill Is Not Dead Yet](#)

By Jeff Mann

In addition, the White House has a trump card of its own – the ongoing effort by **Lisa Jackson** and the **EPA** to limit carbon pollution through their independent regulatory authority. The threat of **EPA** action serves as the stick to ...

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[Radon Reflections at the Tools for Schools Symposium | Science ...](#)

By bteam

Just when I thought it couldn't get any better, three children were recognized during the National Radon Poster Contest awards luncheon, and **EPA's** Administrator, **Lisa P. Jackson**, touted the benefits of recognizing radon in school IAQ. ...

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[The Sugarcane Blog - http://sugarcaneblog.com/](http://sugarcaneblog.com/)

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Meanwhile, speaking of **EPA**, the Rolling Stone is calling **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** an "Eco-Warrior" in its latest article. We couldn't agree more. Related to that, we've got **Lisa Jackson's** speech from New Orleans this week, ...

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EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson said the agency's action is the first of its kind to prevent short-term exposure to nitrogen dioxide in high-risk zones such as urban communities and areas near roads. “This new one-hour standard is ...

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By Greg Breukelman

Here's the Growth Energy / Ricardo booth at the DC auto show. In the background is **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** speaking to a group. Someone just asked her about RFS2 rule making. In her response she acknowledged the improvements that...

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For the first time ever, we are working to prevent short-term exposures in high-risk NO2 zones like urban communities and areas near roadways," said **EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson**. **EPA** is establishing new monitoring requirements in ...

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By Tom

EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson has said that in her list of priorities, climate change is at the very top [but for voters who actually have to pay the bills, climate change is at the very bottom], said industry attorney and former **EPA ...**

[Tom Nelson - http://tomnelson.blogspot.com/](http://tomnelson.blogspot.com/)

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... where Amy Harder reported that, "President Obama's top priorities on energy are jobs, national security and a clean environment — and in that order, **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** said today at the Washington Auto Show." ...

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As **EPA head Lisa Jackson** stated, "These long-overdue findings cement 2009's place in history as the year when the United States government began addressing the challenge of greenhouse-gas pollution and seizing the opportunity of clean ...

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[Greenversations](#) - <http://blog.epa.gov/>

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By mbendeck

Ms. [**Lisa**] **Jackson** [Administrator of **EPA**] described the proposal as a common-sense rule tailored to apply to only the largest facilities — those that emit at least 25000 tons of carbon dioxide a year — which are responsible for nearly ...

[CleanEnergy Footprints](#) - <http://blog.cleanenergy.org/>

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By Mary Newsom

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** is to appear and "make a Recovery Act announcement" at the Durham train station at 1:15 p.m, says an **EPA** press release. Other news media are reporting in from other states. ...

[The Naked City](#) - <http://marynewsom.blogspot.com/>

[N.C. GOP hearts hazardous coal ash | theCLog](#)

By John Grooms

Richard Burr, all signed on to a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** opposing the reclassification of coal ash, since it would put an end to the recycling of the substance, and interfere with its "beneficial uses" such as filling ...

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[Natural Gas Groups Lash Out At **EPA** Tailoring Rule - Law360](#)

The presidents of the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America, Independent Petroleum Association of America and Natural Gas Supply Association sent their request Thursday to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P.**

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By Dave Belden

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[EPA Finalizes Tighter Nitrogen Dioxide Standards, Calls for New ...](#)

By Crystal Yates

According to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, **EPA** is "for the first time ever... working to prevent short-term exposures in high-risk NO₂ zones like urban communities and areas near roadways." The standard establishes new monitoring ...

[Environmental Observer - http://newsletters.agc.org/environment/](http://newsletters.agc.org/environment/)

[Blogs @ The Charleston Gazette - » PEER report: EPA let industry ...](#)

By Ken Ward Jr.

Adora Andy, a spokeswoman for Obama **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, issued this statement in response to the PEER report: The American people deserve to know their **EPA** is protecting them and their children, not the interests of industry ...

[Coal Tattoo - http://blogs.wvgazette.com/coalattoo/](http://blogs.wvgazette.com/coalattoo/)

[White House Meddling in EPA Rule on Air Pollution Monitors | OMB Watch](#)

By mmadia

The more interesting exchange came the next day when Lisa Heinzerling, **EPA's** Associate Administrator for policy and an adviser to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, sent a follow-up email to OMB. It simply stated, in its entirety, ...

[The Fine Print: blog posts from OMBWatch - http://www.ombwatch.org/the_fine_print](http://www.ombwatch.org/the_fine_print)

[Examiner Editorial: EPA needs to rethink effort to regulate carbon ...](#)

Meanwhile, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** continues, hell-bent, to regulate every nook and cranny of the U.S. economy that depends on carbon-based energy, which is to say pretty much all of it. ...

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[Midwest High Speed Rail: Cabinet Members travel in support of HSR](#)

By Peter Garipey

EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** will travel to Durham, North Carolina,; Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis will visit Columbus, Ohio and; Housing and Urban Development Secretary Shaun Donovan will be in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, ...

[Midwest High Speed Rail - http://mwhsr.blogspot.com/](http://mwhsr.blogspot.com/)

[In honor of Tu Bishvat – A Call to Action | TC Jewfolk](#)

By Guest Post

... we inaugurated a pro-environment President and a new administration, lauding cabinet appointments such as Nobel prize-winner Stephen Chu, and **Lisa Jackson**, the first African-American to serve as administrator of the Environmental ... Early in the year, the **EPA** announced that it would take the historic step of regulating greenhouse gas pollution. Major climate change legislation, establishing strong targets and a framework for reduce global warming emissions, ...

[TC Jewfolk - http://tcjewfolk.com/](http://tcjewfolk.com/)

[Clean Energy Forum on Public Health | Vitality Generator](#)

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The White House, **EPA**, and HHS host a forum on public health in relation to clean energy and climate legislation. HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** answer questions. November 20, 2009. (Public Domain) ...

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[What's EPA been up to? « Environmental Management and Compliance ...](#)

By TCozzie

In addition, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** set forth the agency's priorities for the coming year. Summaries of these actions follow. As always, feel free to contact T. Cozzie Consulting for more information. ...

[Environmental Management and... - http://tcozzie.com/press/](http://tcozzie.com/press/)

[Mountain View Voice : Latest study says TCE worse than thought](#)

Meanwhile, **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** has received a letter opposing any further delays and signed by 29 people representing communities exposed to TCE across the country including Mountain View resident Jane Horton, whose Whisman ...

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[Jackson Jobs | Mexican leader seeks climate commitments at Davos ...](#)

By Jackson Jobs

President Barack Obama and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said they'd prefer using a new law ... would draft a new climate bill that would help consumers avoid higher prices and create new jobs in clean energy.

[Jackson Jobs - http://jackson-jobs.com/](http://jackson-jobs.com/)

[North Carolina Sierra Club Blog: \\$544 Invested in NC High Speed Rail](#)

By TLH

Today, **EPA** Secretary **Lisa Jackson** announced a \$544 million investment in North Carolina's high speed rail corridor. As Mrs. Jackson said, "Every dollar we spend on high speed rail is an investment in job creation and in cleaning the air ...

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[EPA Response to Comments « Climate Audit](#)

By Steve McIntyre

re Dr Iain McQueen (Jan 30 21:28), I do find it interesting that the **EPA** Administrator, **Lisa Jackson**, with a master's degree in chemical engineering from Princeton University ([http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lisa_P. ...](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lisa_P._...)

[Climate Audit](http://climateaudit.org/) - <http://climateaudit.org/>

[Midnight in the Garden of Krewes | LiveGreenNOW](#)

By TLC

Louis Armstrong and **EPA's** leader, **Lisa Jackson**, are just two of the many famous members of the Zulu Social Aid & Pleasure Club. Following Zulu is REX, the King of Carnival. And if you're still standing, or in need of more beads, ...

[LiveGreenNOW](http://livegreenorleans.com/) - <http://livegreenorleans.com/>

[We the Hoosiers: Stop the Unconstitutional, Jobs-Killing, EPA ...](#)

By We the Hoosiers

Just in time to bolster President Obama's "green" credentials at the UN Conference on Climate Change in Copenhagen, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** announced on December 7, 2009: "Today I'm proud to announce that **EPA** has finalized its ...

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[Finding gives US **EPA** power to regulate greenhouse-gas emissions](#)

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Interior Secretary Ken Salazar and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** also talked today about the importance of reducing greenhouse gases and increasing clean energy for their departments. Jackson, whose \$10 billion budget would be \$300 ...

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"**EPA** should stop acting as an industry agent for marketing hazardous waste," added Ruch, noting that this coal ash industry partnership is under investigation by the **EPA** Office of Inspector General and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, ...

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By dlally

We can cut greenhouse gases and protect our environment while we save money for homeowners, schools and businesses," said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. "With strong federal support, our state partners can realize these benefits ...

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[Region has new **EPA** administrator : KOHM FM](#)

In fact it was Downwinders organizer Jim Schermbeck who handed Armendariz's resume to President Obama's top **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** during a meeting last June. Schermbeck: "It was a long shot when we started the campaign to get ...

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Water quality and enforcement programmes face complex challenges, from nutrient loadings and stormwater runoff, to invasive species and drinking water contaminants," said Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. The **EPA**, the US Coast Guard, ...

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By lauramevans

Consistent with **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson's** commitment to reach out to communities historically underrepresented in **EPA** decision-making, the agency is requesting public input on a draft plan for assessing the potential impacts ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** reinforced their position in a January memo to the **EPA** Staff -. " One of my highest priorities is to make significant and long overdue progress in assuring the safety of chemicals in our products, ...

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By Angela

... immediately after the Obama administration took office – under New Source Review rules that have not been enforced for over a decade, a Kansas coal power company has just settled with the newly activist **EPA** led by **Lisa Jackson**. ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** announced the agency has determined that a public health emergency exists at the Libby asbestos site in northwest Montana. Over the past years, hundreds of asbestos-related disease cases have been ...

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... suited for the **EPA** because they have firsthand experience in how regulations are enforced and how they work.) Obama's choice to run the agency was **Lisa Jackson**, a chemical engineer who led the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. In her first year at the **EPA**, Jackson granted California a waiver to impose tougher greenhouse-gas standards for new automobiles, which the Bush administration had denied. She declared that the **EPA** would set standards for ...

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By Glynn Wilson

Our first priority is the health and safety of the people,” **EPA** spokesperson Davina Marraccini said. “The Arrowhead landfill was selected because it meets the most stringent federal solid waste disposal safety standards.” **Lisa P. Jackson**, Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.. Washington, D.C. 20460. No. 7008 1300 0001 2360 2902. Hon. A. Stanley Meiburg, Acting Regional Administrator ...

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... and increase our energy security while helping to put America at the leading edge of the new energy economy,” said **EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson**. ...

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The Chesapeake Bay Journal

Further highlighting its growing oversight role, **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** in January became chair of the Chesapeake Executive Council, ...

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By Eastan McNeal

While at the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, **Lisa Jackson** implemented the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act to preserve large volumes of New Jersey's fresh water sources. Prior to her stint as New Jersey ...

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By Mackinnon Lawrence

Speaking about the new renewable fuel standard, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** explains: The renewable fuel standards will help bring new economic opportunity to millions of Americans, particularly in rural America. ...

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Lisa Jackson, Head of **EPA**., is decribed in the Huffington Post, as a proven leader on energy and climate issues and also calls Jackson, a great choice for the Obama **EPA**....As commissioner of the N.J. **EPA**, she helped New Jersey adopt ...

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[Ethanol Poised to Create Jobs in Expanded RFS - Domestic Fuel](#)

By Joanna Schroeder

“Growth Energy commends the Obama White House and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** for recognizing the value of domestic ethanol both as a low-carbon fuel and as a U.S. jobs creator. The expanded Renewable Fuels Standard released today ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** on Monday denied the agency had bent to pressure, instead arguing that **EPA** employed better modeling when crafting the final regulations. “We have followed the science,” she told reporters on a conference ...

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[US EPA guidelines on biofuels expected to spur ethanol production ...](#)

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** defended the new guidelines, saying that she was “confident” that “we weren't dumbing down the standard to favor any particular industry or . . . outcome.” She said revised projections about crop yields ...

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“**EPA**, HUD and DOT are working together to rebuild our foundations for prosperity, a process that starts with rethinking the ways our communities grow,” said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. “The interagency Partnership for Sustainable ...

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By tom@climatechange-fraud.com (Tony Hake,...

Rather than conduct its own research, the **EPA** used that of others including the IPCC to come to their determination. Today, members of the House of Representatives are asking **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to justify those actions. ...

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[Land Use Prof Blog: Sustainable Communities Initiative](#)

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grow,” said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. “The interagency Partnership for Sustainable Communities is working to give our communities what they need to grow and thrive with economic resilience and environmental sustainability.” ...

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With legislative safeguards less likely, hope for environmental progress will be through administrative action under the auspices of **Lisa Jackson**, Obama's head of the Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**).

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[EPA Considers Closing Down Voluntary Programs - RegBlog](#)

By Penn Program on Regulation

Shortly after **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** took office in 2009, she disbanded what had been **EPA's** flagship voluntary program, the National Environmental Performance Track. Performance Track, established by President Clinton's **EPA** ...

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[Bi-partisan pushback against the EPA in Florida](#)

By bobsikes

Both Florida senators and 18 members of congress signed a letter to **EPA** Commissioner **Lisa Jackson** outlining some extreme concerns that the agency's proposed rules for nutrient content on all Florida waters have not been publically ...

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[Coal Watch: Coal Ash: 130 Million Tons of Waste](#)

By Hurricane Creekkeeper

The new head of the **EPA**, **Lisa Jackson**, is reviewing whether the federal government should get involved by labeling coal ash a "hazardous waste," which would mean much tighter regulations and oversight. "Why wouldn't you right now, ...

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... health and welfare of Americans came from independent scientists, and the plans for action have been approved by the Senate-confirmed **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** and the duly-elected President of the United States, Barack Obama. ...

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Of Agriculture the authority to issue water pollution discharge permits to factory farms, and taken this authority away from the Ohio **EPA**. This action has made Ohio the ONLY state in the Union with such a regulatory regime, one that presents ... _____ sign on letter to consider signing or using as a model for your own letter _____ Administrator **Lisa Jackson** January 21, 2010 USEPA Headquarters Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Mail Code: 1101A Washington, ...

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By Brian Allmer

In a press call, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said the change was due to incorporating the effects of co-products into the model used and expanding that model to look at 160 countries versus 40 reviewed in previous versions. ...

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By Graham Crawford

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** is busy writing new rules that would let her drive a tax-and-regulation bulldozer through the U.S. economy under laws never meant to apply to greenhouse gases. Ms. Jackson is expected to issue new ...

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By Brett Hoover

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By Michael

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By Yael

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EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson addresses the Brownfields2009 Conference in New Orleans, LA. USEPA Photo Eric Vance. Below are the words of New Orleans native **Lisa Jackson**, the first African-American Administrator for the U.S. ...

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By David Frenkil

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By Leslie

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By Ed Lasky, American Thinker

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By Neal Peirce

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... to promote energy independence and help limit global warming. But this promise was, as Time magazine bluntly put it, a 'scam.'" The miracle of this is that critical policymakers like **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** actually get it. ...

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EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson and other DOE officials will be speaking a next week's NARUC winter meeting. And we'll analyze the weekly oil and gas inventory report out today with Michael Roberts of Prenova.

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By Woody (Tokin Librul/Rogue Scholar/ Helluvafella!)

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** dropped an appeal to the Supreme Court in a case that struck down Bush-era limits on mercury pollution from coal power plants, which unnecessarily permit more of the toxic chemical into the atmosphere; ...

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By Pamela Geller

And of course cap N tax is pretty much moot point as **Lisa Jackson** and **EPA** are now in full control of regulating GHGs-and backed by Holder and DOJ to enforce the fines-to redistribute said fines. Look for coal fired electric to probably ...

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[EPA – Dec. 07, 09: “Greenhouse gases are harmful to humans ...](#)

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By Keith Kloor

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Future use of atrazine could be in question as the **EPA** under **Lisa Jackson** conducts an unusual and unprecedented re-review of the popular herbicide in response to unfounded claims by some environmental activists and anti-farming ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** visits Ohio to review the positive impact of the public spending on clean, safe...

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By Kevin Matthews

Specifically, the budget includes seven priority areas **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** outlined to guide **EPA's** work. "To meet our environmental challenges and ensure fiscal responsibility, we're proposing targeted investments in core ...

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[The Pullins Report \(TPR\): Ohio Coal Association Challenges **EPA** ...](#)

By scott@pullinsreport.com (Scott Pullins)

On Friday, February 12, 2010, the association filed a petition for reconsideration with the **EPA**, asking **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to review her agency's decision in light of damaging disclosures calling into question the validity ...

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"**EPA** is stepping up to protect Americans from one of the most persistent and widespread pollutants we face," said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. "Using the best science to strengthen these standards is a long overdue action that ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** made the announcement from Columbus, Ohio, while marking the one-year (plus one day) anniversary of the passing of the economic stimulus package. The Recovery Act was laden with funding for ...

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By ShowingOut

According to a press release, the Alliance for Climate Protection's Repower America campaign is teaming up with the Hip Hop Caucus to bring a hip-hop tour to six cities, with participants DJ Biz Markie, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, ...

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[Give Us Liberty: Peabody Energy: **EPA's** global warming finding flawed](#)

By giveusliberty1776

Steve Seidel, vice president of policy analysis for the Pew Center on Global Climate Change, said the **EPA's** finding was based on much more than just the IPCC 2007 report, including 30-plus studies conducted under U.S. Climate Change Science **Lisa** Murkowski R AK. Rep. Laura Richardson D CA-37* Rep. Ken Calvert R CA. Rep. John Campbell R CA. Rep. DANIEL LIPINSKI D IL-3* Rep. Marsha Blackburn R TN. Rep. Roy Blunt R MO. Rep. Michael Turner R OH. Sen. TOM HARKIN D IA * ...

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[Friday roundup, Feb. 19, 2010 « Coal Tattoo](#)

By Ken Ward Jr.

The New York Times reported on a speech in which **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** promised to provide utilities with a “clear road map” for future air pollution rules. You can read the full speech here on **EPA's** Web site, and there's also ...

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By Marah Hardt

EPA administrator **Lisa Jackson** could stop this massive problem with a stroke of her pen: Ask her to revise national water quality standards to include pH to protect marine life and habitats from further damage due to ocean acidification ...

[Change.org's Environment Blog - http://environment.change.org/](http://environment.change.org/)

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By Dayo Olopade, The Root

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** ties environmentalism to minority concerns. The office of Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** lies halfway between Congress and the White House. The placement is appropriate; ...

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By Danielle

Youth and NGOs meet with **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, Deputy Special Envoy for Climate Change Jonathan Pershing, and Assistant Secretary of Energy for Policy and International Affairs David Sandelow for an off-the-record meeting. ...

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WHO: U.S. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**, Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle and Ohio Governor Ted Strickland. WHAT: Announcement of the Obama Administration's Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Action Plan. WHEN: Sunday, February 21, ...

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By Susan

Political leaders speaking include **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, President of Alliance for Climate Protection Maggie L. Fox, and several others. Hip Hop Caucus, which was founded on September 11, 2004, is a grassroots non-profit that ...

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Post Carbon: Coal-state Dems hit **EPA** on climate - Juliet Eilperin. Sen. John D. Rockefeller (D-W.Va.) and several other coal-state Democrats sent a bluntly worded letter to Environment Protection Agency administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** ...

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[Government outlines Great Lakes fixup plan that cleans polluted ...](#)

The Associated Press obtained a copy of the document, which **Lisa Jackson**, head of the Environmental Protection Agency, was releasing at a news conference Sunday in Washington. ... Cameron Davis, **EPA's** senior adviser on the Great Lakes, said about \$58 million in restoration funds would go to the carp battle this year. But invasive species programs are getting less restoration money than other needs such as toxic cleanups and habitat improvements, he said. ...

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[The Westerner: EPA plans to spend \\$2.2B to protect Great Lakes](#)

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By Cindy

The group, made up of three ethanol industry executives, is called "Green Floyd" and the parody lyrics to the other Floyd's "The Wall" include references to **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson**, the waiver to allow up to 15 percent ethanol in ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** responded to some of the questions this afternoon, saying that the **EPA** expects to phase in permits and regulation of greenhouse gases for large sources beginning next year. She said that one effect of the ...

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By admin

“These answers from **Lisa Jackson** hopefully will reassure the authors of the letter that the **E.P.A.** is proceeding in a very measured way and doing what is achievable and affordable to curb global warming pollution and focusing as they ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** testifies before the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee about her agency's budget this morning, and she's given the committee plenty to talk about. In a letter on Monday responding to questions ...

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Jackson will testify before a hearing of the Senate Environment.

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By Nick Loris

Although Jackson is delaying the regulatory pain, the business uncertainty the **EPA** is creating is preventing economic recovery today. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK), in a response to **Lisa Jackson's** statement, said, "Until the specter of ...

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[Smart Climate Policy: Daily Climate News: **EPA's Jackson** Delays New ...](#)

By Smart Climate Policy News Update

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said in a letter to eight coal-state Democratic senators that the agency would delay imposing new GHG regulations on power plants and refineries until late 2011 at the earliest, the Wall Street Journal ...

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As the Climategate Report was released, it appears Senator Barbara Boxer and the **EPA's Lisa Jackson** now are backtracking from their commitments to the IPCC. Boxer said she was only 'quoting American scientists' and not the IPCC as the ...

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PJM: BREAKING: Senator Barbara Boxer and **EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson** Throw IPCC Under the Bus Following the release of the Inhofe Report, Boxer.

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<http://pajamasmedia.com/blog/breaking-senator-barbara-boxer-and-epa-administrator-lisa-jackson-throw-ipcc-under-the-bus/>. The **EPA** has specifically cited the IPCC AR4 report as the primary source from which it drew information to make ...

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By Lisa Lerer

“The law of the land found that greenhouse gases are pollutants, and they ordered **EPA** to make a determination,” **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said Tuesday during a hearing of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee. ...

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By Elizabeth Ward,

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[Open Your Eyes News » **EPA** Head: No Warming Since 1995 Doesn't Mean ...](#)

By The Historian

CNS News – Fifteen years with no statistically significant increase in global temperatures does not mean that the human race is not causing the climate to change, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** told CNSNews.com on Tuesday. ...

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By pinroot

Lisa Jackson, **EPA** administrator: I believe all the new information we have doesn't lead to any different conclusion than what we reached in the Endangerment Finding. And that is that climate is changing and that mankind is responsible ...

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By Norris McDonald

EPA Administrator Appoints Dr. James H. Johnson as Chair of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy & Technology. U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** has appointed Dr. James H. Johnson, ...

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EPA Administrator Names Dr. James H. Johnson, Jr. as Chair of Policy Advisory Group. U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** has appointed Dr. James H. Johnson, Jr., left, as chair of the National Advisory ...

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By Eric Roston

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** told a hearing of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee that the agency will implement its new greenhouse gas regulations slowly, with smaller qualifying firms not needing to regulate until ...

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[EPA Fast-tracks Greenhouse Gas Regulations](#)

By rterrellmba@juno.com (Rebecca Terrell)

Obama's Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) Administrator **Lisa Jackson** has announced the agency's timetable to start regulating industrial greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act. by Rebecca Terrell.

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[Congress.org - News : **EPA** nudges Congress on climate bill](#)

By Ambreen Ali

Sen. **Lisa** Murkowski (R-Alaska) and 39 cosponsors have already introduced a resolution to stop the **EPA**. Last week, eight Democrats led by Sen. John D. Rockefeller IV (D-W.V.) added to that concern in a letter to **Jackson**. ...

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[EPA To Go Slow On Greenhouse Gas Regulations | NYLCV - New York ...](#)

By Elizabeth Mooney

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** "I share your goals of ensuring economic recovery at this critical time and of addressing greenhouse gas emissions in sensible ways that are consistent with the call for comprehensive energy and climate ...

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[EPA associate administrator Heinzerling to visit Syracuse March 5](#)

By Carissa Matthews

Prior to being named associate administrator at **EPA**, Heinzerling served on the Presidential Transition team to **EPA** and as the senior climate policy counsel to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. Before **EPA**, Heinzerling was a faculty member ...

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By Carter Wood

Last week, eight Senate Democrats wrote a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** also affirming the legislative branch's primacy. The Sketon-Peterson-Emerson measure is a direct resolution of disapproval, as opposed to H.R. 4572, ...

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[EPA chief goes toe-to-toe with Senate GOP over warming science ...](#)

By kentuckycoal

U.S. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** today defended the science underpinning pending climate regulations despite Senate Republicans' claims that global warming data has been thrown into doubt. "The science behind climate change is ...

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[Clean Air Act Fan: Climate Action Hotline, Feb. 26 | Climate Action](#)

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Amid numerous petitions to the **EPA's** proposed GHG regulation rules, administrator **Lisa Jackson** wrote in a letter to eight coal-state Democrats who have sought a moratorium on regulation that only the biggest sources of greenhouse gases ...

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[Many leading scientists tell the **EPA** to think again : Truth is ...](#)

By Truth is Contagious

The Honorable **Lisa P. Jackson**, Administrator Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20460. Dear Administrator **Jackson**: We congratulate you on your appointment to **EPA** Administrator and commend you for ...

[Truth is Contagious - http://truthiscontagious.com/](http://truthiscontagious.com/)

[Many leading scientists tell the **EPA** to think again | Stranger ..](#)

By Truth

This letter from numerous leading scientists in climate and related fields to **Lisa Jackson**, the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, is worthy of wider circulation.

[Stranger than fiction - http://www.strangerthanfiction.org/](http://www.strangerthanfiction.org/)

[The Yoga of Ecology: Let the **EPA** know!](#)

By Club 108

agricultural counselor to **EPA's** administrator, **Lisa Jackson**. Elworth planned to be the keynote speaker to the trade group that represents Iowa's ag supply and grain elevator industry. He was unable to fly out of snowbound Washington. ...

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California regulators back **Lisa Jackson** A troika of California regulators — state leaders of efforts to regulate greenhouse gases — are coming to the defense of **EPA** administrator Lisa P. Jackson. The head of the California Air Resources ...

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By care1a

In a terrific bit of good news at the **EPA** Budget hearings today, Obama Administration **EPA** Secretary **Lisa Jackson** has declared that the global warming crisis is over. Don't believe this wonderful turn of events, then watch for yourself, ...

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By Alan Caruba

“Republican James Inhofe told **EPA** head, **Lisa Jackson**, that man-made climate change was a 'hoax' concocted by ideologically motivated researchers who 'cooked the science.’” “More than that, Inhofe in releasing a GOP report questioning ...

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By Ed Morrissey

It exposes as risible the notion that, as **EPA** Director **Lisa Jackson** attempted to insist, the UEA CRU e-mails only revealed a lack of interpersonal skills among AGW advocates. As the IoP makes clear, the UEA CRU and its many partners in ...

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By Glynn Wilson

The new head of the Environmental Protection Agency, **Lisa Jackson** of New Orleans, told Congress earlier this week that regulations on greenhouse gas emissions, deemed a danger to the public health, will be phased in starting in 2011 for ... Alabama's conservative Republican senators, Richard Shelby and Jeff Sessions, who recently scored F's for their voting records on the environment, are also on the record opposing the Supreme Court and **EPA**, although federal officials ...

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Some **E.P.A.** officials say solutions beyond the Clean Water Restoration Act are available. They argue that the agency's chief, **Lisa P. Jackson**, could issue regulations that seek to clarify jurisdiction of the Clean Water Act.

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By JR

The heated exchanges came as **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** sparred with lawmakers over her agency's decision to regulate greenhouse gases, something that Senate Republicans — and some Democrats — have opposed. ...

[GREENIE WATCH - http://antigreen.blogspot.com/](http://antigreen.blogspot.com/)

[President Obama: A Man Who Believes in Capitalism « Knifework](#)

By shayne

screamed **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, clarifying the President's statement. Taking a moment to collect herself, she admitted, "Alright, a consensus of scientists does now believe that a free market exists, but most are convinced man ...

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[EPA Delays CO₂ Cuts | Latest News | Chemical ...](#)

Chemical plants, power plants, and other large sources of greenhouse gases will have until at least 2011 to cut those emissions under upcoming Environmental Protection Agency regulations, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** said last week ...

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[Many leading scientists tell the EPA to think again « Foehammer's ...](#)

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[The Chamber of Commerce vs. Climate Science | Mother Jones](#)

By Kate Sheppard

While **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** has pushed back the enforcement of regulations on the largest emissions sources until 2011, she also has made it clear that rules are coming, whether the **EPA's** adversaries like it or not. ...

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ODDS AND ENDS: Two Republican Congressmen are calling for an investigation into Fannie and Freddie ... More bad news for **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** - more Dems have signed on to stop the **EPA** from regulating greenhouse gases ... VA Sec. ...

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[EPA Defends Proposed GHG Plan But Extends Timeline : Climate ...](#)

By Sheppard Mullin

In a response to questions from Senate Democrats, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** issued a letter on February 22, standing by the agency's plans to develop the first-time Clean Air Act ("CAA") regulations for GHGs and attacking pending ...

[Climate Change and Clean Technology Blog - http://www.cleantechlawblog.com/](http://www.cleantechlawblog.com/)

[The Drought Is Over. Wait, Is It?](#)

By Brian

EPA administrator **Lisa Jackson** urges the United States government and the United Nations not let these facts deter us from dealing with the problem of global warming. Jackson and the **EPA** believe that warming is continuing, ...

[Organic Insecticides | Organic... - http://blog.ecosmart.com/](http://blog.ecosmart.com/)

[ClimateIntel.com » This Week on the Hill](#)

By ClimateIntel

Lisa Jackson, U.S. **EPA** Administrator, will testify before the Senate Interior and Environment Appropriations Subcommittee to defend the White House's \$10 billion budget request for **EPA**. The hearing will be held at 9:30 a.m. in Room 124 ...

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By Jennifer A. Dlouhy

In a letter Tuesday to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, Schumer insisted on a “written explanation” for the “confounding decision.” “With more information surfacing all the time about the dangers of this chemical, our government should ...

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By Wall Street Journal Editorial

That's how the coal-state Senators—led by Jay Rockefeller of West Virginia and including Ohio's Sherrod Brown and Michigan's Carl Levin—put it in a recent letter to **EPA** chief **Lisa Jackson**, who is set on using clean-air laws written in ...

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A list of enforcement goals published by the **EPA** last month says the agency will “advance environmental justice by protecting vulnerable communities.” **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** has separately said environmental justice “will inform ...

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By Sam Windom

“These communities see the overwhelming scientific evidence on climate change and are working with **EPA** to fight back,” said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. “We’re working on innovative, win-win strategies that reduce greenhouse gases ...

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By RPRC

Last week, as a Member of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior and the Environment, I participated in a budget hearing with Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. One of my many concerns about the **EPA's** ...

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By Dake

Meanwhile, Administrator **Lisa Jackson** meets with Democratic Senator Sheldon Whitehouse of Rhode Island to push for swift introduction of the bill. And if that isn't enough, **EPA** is changing the name of the key office dealing with toxic ...

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By SolveClimate Staff

Lisa Jackson, head of the **EPA**, will testify before Congress a day after Democratic Senator Jay Rockefeller called for a two-year delay on greenhouse-gas regulations and top House Republicans demanded they be stopped altogether. ...

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When the **EPA's** list identifying chemicals of concern that could be subject to increased regulation, BPA was not on the list, even though **Lisa Jackson**, director of the **EPA**, had said last fall it was one of six that deserved more ...

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By Charles Franklin

EPA has taken an equally aggressive approach to chemical control reform. Early on, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** identified legislative reform of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) as a top priority, even offering principles to ...

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Activists were able to meet with a top administrator – Stanley Meiburg, who got off an important call with national **EPA** head administrator **Lisa Jackson** to meet with them! Meiburg told them he was aware of our contact with Garvin in ...

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... a coal-producing state, told reporters today that his legislation would give industrial polluters "one year more" to prepare for the regulations than the **EPA** has proposed. The agency's administrator, **Lisa Jackson**, said Feb. ...

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[EPA Likely to Decide on Higher Blend of Ethanol by Late Summer ...](#)

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US **EPA** will likely determine by late summer whether it will approve a higher blend of ethanol in gasoline, Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said today. The Energy Department is on schedule to wrap up in April or May its testing on how the ...

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By SolveClimate Staff

The Obama administration will give small businesses a break on coming carbon regulation but big emitters like coal plants will face a crack-down, U.S. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said. Murkowski Accuses **EPA** Leader of Conflicting ...

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[John Rockefeller aims to block EPA rules - Lisa Lerer - POLITICO.com](#)

By Lisa Lerer

Last week, in response to a letter from Senate Democrats, **EPA** administration **Lisa Jackson** said the agency would slow the timeline for phasing in the new rules. **EPA** will begin to phase in permitting requirements regulating industrial ...

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During **Jackson's** testimony, Alaska Republican Sen. **Lisa** Murkowski, a vocal opponent of carbon regulations, accused **Jackson** of conflicting statements on **EPA's** intentions, reports the New York Times. Murkowski said that **Jackson's** previous ...

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[EPA's Jackson Grilled About New GHG Permitting Thresholds ...](#)

By Mackinnon Lawrence

During a Senate hearing Wednesday, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** explained the agency's plans to gradually phase in climate rules for industrial sources in advance of its final rule expected to be finalized later this month. ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** told the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on Interior and Environment that the agency was planning to require power plants and refineries to get permits to emit GHGs as of next year, the Dallas Morning ...

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[**EPA** boss says strip mines damage water quality, pledges help for ...](#)

By special

EPA boss **Lisa Jackson**. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** told a Senate subcommittee Thursday that strip mining affects water quality, Environment & Energy News (subscription only) reports. ...

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[eNewsUSA: Key House & Senate Dems Push To Halt **EPA** Climate Regulations](#)

By WIMS

Senator Rockefeller said further, "Two weeks ago, I sent a letter to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** challenging **EPA's** potential regulation of greenhouse gases [See WIMS 2/23/10]. Administrator Jackson responded quickly and showed some ...

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[**EPA** Greenhouse Gas Regulations Cause Political Discord — Troutman ...](#)

By Troutman Sanders LLP

On February 22, 2010, **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** announced **EPA's** intention, via letter to Senator John D. Rockefeller (D-WV), to make significant changes in the tailoring rule when it is finalized. She stated that: (a) no stationary ...

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[Lawmakers From Coal States Seek to Delay Emission Limits ...](#)

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Separate bills are before both houses that would essentially prevent the **E.P.A.** from issuing any greenhouse gas regulations. **Lisa P. Jackson**, the agency's administrator, wrote Mr. Rockefeller and seven other Democratic senators last ...

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[EPA to Raise Biofuel Limits? | BiofuelsWatch.com](#)

By Kevin Hammond

As for the time frame of the decision **Lisa Jackson**, an **EPA** administrator, has reportedly stated that they are aiming for a decision to be made by late summer at the latest. This would be good news for the US corn sector in particular as ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** said: "The president's budget is focused on creating the conditions that help American families, communities and small businesses thrive. Clean air, clear water and green jobs are rebuilding the ...

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A spokesman for **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** was quoted as saying that the agency was proposing "common sense" measures and that "**EPA** rejects the premise that addressing greenhouse gases threatens the economy." ...

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[Another Week, More Developments on EPA Regulation of GHGs ...](#)

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Feinstein, however, holds out hope that **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** can assuage her colleagues' concerns. "As **EPA** explains its plans, I believe my colleagues will increasingly realize that the agency is proceeding in a deliberate and ...

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By Simone

CERA Week:Natural Gas Focus Is Likely To Change Big Oil's Face. Europe the new frontier in shale gas rush. US **EPA** chief concerned about gas drilling fluids. Chinese demand spurs Shell bid for Arrow's coal gas

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency chief **Lisa Jackson** said she hopes her agency will launch a study this year into the nature of fluids used in the hydraulic fracturing process of natural gas drilling... Back to top ...

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In Monday's speech to the National Press Club, U.S. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** underscored a consistent message: Environmental protection helps to improve economic growth, not impedes it. Jackson went on to say environmental ...

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By Jack Mann

EPA's Lisa Jackson: Creating a Clean Environment 'Something We Can't Leave for Tomorrow'. **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** took the stage at the National Press Club in... Resources · Kundra To Moderate AFCEA Budget Preview Breakfast ...

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By Anthony Watts

Some lawyers and traders believe **EPA** could even craft a limited cap-and-trade program, though the agency's chief **Lisa Jackson** said on Monday the agency has not laid out a plan. Indeed, Barclays hired Kedin Kilgore, who once managed ...

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By askiatek2008

EPA Administrator **Jackson** speaks to National Press Club. **Lisa P. Jackson** called "innovation the sweet spot where environment and economy intersect," touting the \$282 billion environmental services industry that generates 1.6 million ...

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By agritrader

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said Wednesday that the new estimates are still based on science but that some of the data used in its first draft wasn't correct. “We listened to public comments and we worked really closely with the U.S. ...

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By maxwell

EPA has desired to ban all usages of asbestos since 1979, and this year it's closer to succeeding than ever before. In a current policy speech, **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** stated that reforming the regulation of hazardous materials ...

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By marketmaker

A decision by the Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) would let US authorities impose regulations to reduce carbon emissions, even if the divided Congress does not approve legislation to do so. The **EPA** said that its chief, **Lisa Jackson** ...

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Instead, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** is on the offensive, defending her agency's plans to regulate GHG emission from cars, trucks, factories and eventually, small businesses. Her message: environmental rules spark innovation and ...

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[Jon M Queen's Green Energy and Environmental Market Analysis Blog ...](#)

By Jon Mckee Queen

Importantly, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** indicated the agency may still require projects such as power plants and refineries that applied in prior years--say in 2009 or 2010--to apply for new greenhouse-gas permits.

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By concerned heart

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said last week the agency has no plans to independently set up a cap-and-trade system for greenhouse gases. Jackson said she believed Congress will establish a national program. Cap-and-trade legislation ...

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[Governor's Urge Senate to Stop EPA's Regulation of GHG Emissions ...](#)

By Mackinnon Lawrence

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** has said the regulations for power plants, factories and oil refineries will be phased in, beginning in 2011, allowing companies extra time to plan ahead (see proposed timeline of **EPA's** GHG regulations). ...

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“People of every age have a part to play in confronting climate change,” said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. “Using Energy Star to cut electricity usage and costs, and educating young people and their families to make a difference ...

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[Protecting Children's Health and Ending Mountaintop Removal ...](#)

By Renee Blanchard

The activists are asking **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to visit the area in West Virginia that is being torn apart by this environmental and social injustice in the hopes that seeing this destruction will help her act quickly. ...

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[Marco Island BLOG: Lawsuit Against **EPA** Moving to Next Phase](#)

By Mario R. Sanchez, Ph.D.

By eight (8) letters dated from May 5, 2008 thru August 30, 2009, Plaintiff requested **EPA's** director and now current director **Lisa Jackson** to provide the requested information and to expedite the appeal. To date, **EPA** administrator Lisa ...

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[President Obama's steps to boost biofuels, clean coal](#)

By Ramona Du Houx

Tax credits for the industry ran out under President Bush, despite efforts of the Environmental Protection Agency Administrator, **Lisa Jackson**, who advised the Bush administration about new **EPA** data and changes concerning these ...

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[2020 Climate Leadership Campaign - http://2020climatecampaign.org/](http://2020climatecampaign.org/)

[EPA wants industry carbon info - Upstream Online](#)

By Noah Brenner

"Gathering this information is the first step toward reducing greenhouse emissions and fostering innovative technologies," **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said in a statement. It is particularly important to track methane produced by oil ...

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EPA Cracks Down on Smog. Environmental Protection Agency head **Lisa Jackson** announced stricter standards regulating smog earlier today. Smog, which is formed when nitrous oxides and volatile organic compounds mix with sunlight, ...

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I sit and watch **Lisa Jackson**, EPA administrator preaching about the environment, and US consumption and i cant help but laugh. I Love watching.

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said that the agency is developing stricter regulations for: tetrachloroethylene, trichloroethylene, acrylamide and epichlorohydrin. Trichloroethylene, also known as TCE, and tetrachloroethylene are ...

[Alternative Health, Natural,... - http://www.naturalbuy.com/](http://www.naturalbuy.com/)

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Gathering this information is the first step toward reducing greenhouse emissions and fostering innovative technologies for the clean energy future, said **EPA** Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**.

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[In Kansas, Rallying to Support EPA | Avoid-Global-Warming.com](#)

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... been enforced for over a decade, a Kansas coal power company has just settled with the newly activist **EPA** led by **Lisa Jackson**. Under the settlement, Westar Energy has agreed to pay a [**EPA** Win: Kansas Coal Power Plant Must Install. ...

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... publicly available is part of the **EPA** response to the government directive requiring federal agencies to conduct their business with greater transparency, participation and collaboration, according to **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**. ...

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[NCGA President: EPA listening to growers | Brownfield](#)

By Julie Harker

National Corn Growers Association President Darrin Ihnen, and other commodity group leaders, met with Ag Secretary Tom Vilsack and Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** this morning. ...

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By Eric Roston

Newsweek profiles **EPA** administrator **Lisa Jackson** as a way to narrate for its general audience the inside-the-beltway machinations occurring in her agency and on the Hill. Legislators prefer (perhaps by definition) that such major ...

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By Ken Ward Jr.

EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** this morning informed me of the **EPA**'s proposed veto of the Spruce No. 1 mine permit. I have also spoken with Steve Leer, CEO of Arch Coal, about the impact of this decision. ...

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[The Understory » Rockefeller Responds to **EPA** Decision Vetoing ...](#)

With the election of Obama, Rockefeller has pitted himself against **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**, who has slowly begun to curb mountaintop removal (although not fast enough for me). Today, the **EPA** announced it's veto of Arch Coal's ...

[The Understory : Understory.RAN.org - http://understory.ran.org/](http://understory.ran.org/)

[In Rare Move, **EPA** Proposes Blocking Massive Mountaintop Mine ...](#)

By SolveClimate Staff

And he said that **EPA** was concerned that environmental justice issues were not being adequately addressed. This is an area **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** has stressed. In the case of Logan County, Garvin noted that the per capita income ...

[Solve Climate: Daily Climate... - http://solveclimate.com/](http://solveclimate.com/)

[Commodity Leaders Sit Down with **EPA**, USDA Leaders in D.C. ...](#)

By mkessler

Grower-leaders from NAWG and organizations representing corn, soybean, rice, cotton and sorghum growers met with Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** and Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack this week for an ...

[National Association of Wheat Growers - http://www.wheatworld.org/](http://www.wheatworld.org/)

[**EPA** proposes to veto mountaintop removal project « Legal Planet ...](#)

By Holly Doremus

“This is an unprecedented, unjustified and undeserved decision and I completely disagree with it as I told **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** directly. The owners of the Spruce Mine worked in good faith over the course of many years with ...

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By Bill Wolfe

Obama US **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** visited NJ yesterday for whirlwind press stops in Newark, Ringwood, and Pompton Lakes (the Ringwood visit was not even mentioned in the itinerary of the official **EPA** press advisory). ...

[WolfeNotes.com - http://www.wolfenotes.com/](http://www.wolfenotes.com/)

[GAO report scolds EPA | Just Put Your Feet Up](#)

On Tuesday, for instance, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** sent a memo to her staff reminding them that “protecting children's environmental health is central to our work at **EPA**.” “Let me reaffirm that it is **EPA's** policy to consider the ...

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By System Administrator Jobs

Mining PermitWSAZ-TV"For this to happen with so many jobs on the line, I told her (**EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson**) I was very discouraged and very upset about this," Manchin ...Charleston, Kanawha CountyWest Virginia MetroNewsEPA ...

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By Liz Judge

EPA's Jackson: Senate Face Off with Climate Change Skeptics Today, **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** came out swinging in **EPA's** battle to defend its December 2009 endangerment finding against the likes of Lisa Mur... by Trip Van Noppen: ...

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EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** reiterated today that she plans to issue that final vehicle emissions standard soon — possibly this week. The vehicle standards began with an agreement last spring between President Obama and the auto ...

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[EPA to investigate environmental impact of BPA - KansasCity.com](#)

Charles Schumer of New York urged the **EPA** to develop an action plan for BPA. He noted that BPA was left off a list of four chemicals subject to tighter regulation, despite **EPA** director **Lisa Jackson** publicly voicing concern about the ...

[Kansas City Star: Business - http://www.kansascity.com/mld/kansascity/business/rss.xml](#)

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By Laura B.

Today's announcement is the first step in **EPA's** phased in approach to addressing GHG emissions laid out by Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** earlier this month. "This is a common sense plan for phasing in the protections of the Clean Air ...

[Environmental News Bits - http://lib.wmrc.uiuc.edu/enb/](#)

[EPA phases in permits for greenhouse pollution | todayshotnews.net](#)

By News

Agency head **Lisa Jackson** had signaled to Congress in February that the **EPA** would delay the permit requirements for this year, following concerns from U.S. lawmakers and state officials that more time was needed to ease burdens on ...

[todayshotnews.net - http://www.todayshotnews.net/](#)

[Center for Environment, Commerce & Energy: EPA Announces GHG ...](#)

By Norris McDonald

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By mlewis

Jay Rockefeller (D-WV), **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** observes that vetoing the endangerment finding would scuttle the joint **EPA/NHTSA** GHG/fuel economy standards rulemaking. That, in turn, would undo the "historic agreement" whereby ...

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[GreenLegals](http://greenlegals.com/) - <http://greenlegals.com/>

[Understanding Government » Blog Archive » EPA: Let's Panic Later ...](#)

By Matthew Blake

At what point do Barack Obama and **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** give up on the Senate and conclude that **EPA** regulations might be the best hope for tackling global warming? Comment RSS - You can skip to the end and leave a response. ...

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[Climateer Investing: EPA Says No Carbon Rules on Power Plants ...](#)

By climateer

“It gives large facilities the time they need to innovate, governments the time to prepare to cut greenhouse gases and it ensures that we don't push this problem off to our children and grandchildren,” **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** ...

[Climateer Investing](http://climateerinvest.blogspot.com/) - <http://climateerinvest.blogspot.com/>

[NewNet News - Carbon emissions regulations to be phased in from ...](#)

By editorial

Lisa Jackson, **EPA** administrator, said it is a common sense plan for phasing in the protections of the Clean Air Act. 'It gives large facilities the time they need to innovate, governments the time to prepare to cut greenhouse gases and ...

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[Smart Climate Policy: Daily Climate News: EPA Delays Planned GHG ...](#)

By Smart Climate Policy News Update

EPA Administration **Lisa Jackson** called the delay "a common sense plan for phasing in the protections of the Clean Air Act" because "it gives large facilities the time they need to innovate, governments the time to prepare to cut ...

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[Suicidal Tendencies or Addiction? « Canadians for Climate Change ...](#)

By corymorningstar

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[C-Questor Carbon Markets and... - http://cquestor.blogspot.com/](http://cquestor.blogspot.com/)

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By Keith Good

Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, today requested a meeting with **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** to clarify the impacts that **EPA** regulation of greenhouse gases will have on the nation's economy." "At this point, it does not seem probable that ...

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In a letter mailed to **EPA** Director **Lisa Jackson** today the coalition — which includes the National Council on Occupational Safety and Health, the American Federation of Government Employees and the United Auto Workers — called dioxin ...

[Michigan Messenger - http://michiganmessenger.com/](http://michiganmessenger.com/)

[Inside Prevention: **EPA** to investigate BPA's environmental impact](#)

By Shannon Coughlin

Bisphenol A, the synthetic hormone **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** had repeatedly singled out as an example of a chemical the agency should be more aggressive in regulating, was not on the list . At that time, the **EPA** said BPA would be ...

[Inside Prevention - http://www.insideprevention.org/](http://www.insideprevention.org/)

[Mountaintop Removal Mining - News from the Front | Climate Change](#)

By Bill Hewitt

I noted here a year ago that **Lisa Jackson**, **EPA**'s boss, "...planned an aggressive review of permit requests for mountaintop coal mining, citing concerns about potential harm to water quality." She's kept her word. ...

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[Gracnomics: **EPA TO THE RESCUE**](#)

By Grace

It seems that, of all Obama's appointments, the **EPA**'s **Lisa Jackson** is emerging as the best friend of the people who elected him – albeit under considerable pressure from Congress and demonstrators. Lately the agency has not only ...

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This is an unprecedented, unjustified and undeserved decision and I completely disagree with it as I told **EPA** Administrator **Lisa Jackson** directly. Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., said: I have said this before, and will say it again: it ...

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By Dr. Eric Wallace

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If law and science are to guide our most important environmental decisions, as EPA Administrator **Lisa Jackson** has promised, we need to regulate these hazards before they get much worse." J. Russell Boulding, principal of Boulding ...

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The phased-in approach was laid out by EPA administrator **Lisa P. Jackson**. The action is the final step in EPA's reconsideration of the Dec. 18, 2008 memorandum titled "EPA's Interpretation of Regulations that Determine Pollutants ...

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[EPA/Obama rules circumvent Congress to rope in new CO2 limits ...](#)

By John Frisby

For the last 6 or 7 months, **Lisa Jackson** - head of the EPA - has made a numerous false claims about BPA and how dangerous it is as a way to pander to organizations who are working to ban it, including the Environmental Working Group, ...

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[EPA: New mining policy would protect water quality | The Daily ...](#)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said Thursday the EPA hopes the policy will clarify the water permitting process for Appalachian mountaintop removal mining — a highly efficient method that environmental ...

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Announcing the changes, Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** said the guidelines are intended to make the standards governing new mountaintop projects “clear and consistent,” following a series of **EPA** decisions ...

[The Washington Independent - http://washingtonindependent.com/](http://washingtonindependent.com/)

[Breaking News from EPA: The Beginning of the End of Mountaintop ...](#)

By jeffbiggers

EPA administrator **Lisa Jackson** invoked the rule of science and law today—and for the first time raised the concern of the health care crisis in the coalfields from mountaintop removal. The **EPA** administrator announced a major decision ...

[SpeakEasy - http://blogs.alternet.org/speakeasy/](http://blogs.alternet.org/speakeasy/)

[EPA Uses Science, Health and Environmental Justice to Guide New ...](#)

By Sparki

“Appalachia thanks **Lisa Jackson** and the **EPA** for taking the impacts on human health and environmental justice into consideration when issuing permits,” said Judy Bonds of Coal River Mountain Watch in West Virginia. ...

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[Mountaintop Removal to Be Curtailed in Coal Mining, **EPA** Says ...](#)

By Tom Diemer

EPA Administrator **Lisa P. Jackson** said so-called valley fills will be curtailed by restrictions on surface mining operations that go beyond pollution limits for salt and certain toxins, the Washington Post reported. ...

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The **EPA** paid more in two weeks for cars than most Americans make in a month. **Lisa Jackson**, the **EPA** administrator, chose to ignore Copenhagen's readily available crunchy alternatives, like hybrids or algae-fueled vehicles that were ...

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By Ken Ward Jr.

Obama, **Lisa Jackson (EPA)**, our supportive US Senators / US Representatives and the many thousands of other folks that have worked long and hard to protect our environment. The newer stricter guidelines are definitely a major move in the ...

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By Sammy Benoit

According to Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Lisa Jackson** the new auto regulations are just the start. Just as the health care bill regulates the way you make personal choices about your body, the **EPA** will be adding energy ...

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