

Report On State Plans Relating To CO₂ Emissions From Existing Power Plants (Pursuant to A.R.S. § 49-459(B))

REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS

In November 2015, EPA published a list of questions related to the Clean Energy Incentive Program (CEIP) and invited states and other stakeholders to submit responses to a non-regulatory docket by December 15, 2015. The CEIP is a mechanism established by the final Clean Power Plan to provide credit for early implementation of renewable energy and energy efficiency projects. EPA will take the comments into account in designing and implementing the CEIP.

After consultation with the Technical Workgroup, ADEQ submitted responses to two of the CEIP questions to the EPA docket. In addition, ADEQ participated in the development of comments submitted by the Center for the New Energy Economy (CNEE) based on input from a number of western states.

As noted in the September 30, 2015 Quarterly Report, EPA has published a proposed federal plan for states that do not implement the CPP. Comments on the plan are due by January 21, 2015. Possible comments on the federal plan proposal were discussed at the October and November Stakeholder meetings and the October through December Technical Workgroup meetings.

OUTREACH AND CONSULTATION

During this quarter, ADEQ held two stakeholder meetings and three meetings of the Technical Workgroup. Dates are provided on the timeline on the reverse side of this report.

In addition to the CEIP and proposed federal plan, topics discussed at the meetings included the development of a work plan for submission of Arizona's initial submittal in September 2016, evaluation and ranking of the regulatory options provided by the CPP and outreach to "vulnerable communities," as required by the final CPP.

ADEQ staff participated in two panels related to CPP implementation at a conference sponsored by the Western Interstate Energy Board on October 28, 2015. Members of the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) also attended the conference.

ADEQ and the ACC participated in a CNEE-sponsored conference on the CPP for state environmental and energy regulators in Scottsdale on November 3, 2015.

On November 5, 2015, ADEQ and the ACC participated in a conference on the potential to use of energy efficiency projects to comply with the CPP sponsored by the Southwest Energy Efficiency Project. Representatives from the utilities and EPA also attended the conference.

At the request of Mayor Rothschild of Tucson, ADEQ provided the mayor with a briefing on the CPP on November 10, 2015.

On December 9 and 10, 2015, ADEQ staff participated in an EPA CPP training seminar for tribal communities in Tuba City, Arizona. ADEQ staff gave a presentation on ADEQ's efforts to implement the CPP in Arizona.

CLEAN POWER PLAN MAJOR MILESTONES

2015

- 7/3** Effective Date of A.R.S. §49-459 authorizing adoption of state 111(d) plan
- 8/3** Final 111(d) and 111(b) rules signed; federal 111(d) plan proposal signed.

2016

- 1/21** Comments on proposed federal plan
- 6/30 (approx.)** Final federal plan
- 7/1 (approx.)** Proposed initial submittal; public comment period
- 9/6** Initial submittal with extension request (or final state plan); state must identify potential compliance approaches

2017

- 9/6** Update on progress toward completing state plan; state must chose compliance approach

2018

- 6/8** Proposed state plan; public comment and legislative review
- 9/6** Submission of complete state plan

2022-2030

- 2022-2029** Interim compliance dates
- 2030** Final compliance dates

2015 FOURTH QUARTER

OCTOBER

- 10/6** ADEQ stakeholder meeting #10
- 10/8** Technical Workgroup meeting #4

NOVEMBER

- 11/3** ADEQ stakeholder meeting #11
- 11/12** Technical Workgroup meeting #5

DECEMBER

- 12/3** Technical Workgroup meeting #6

CLEAN POWER PLAN TIMELINE

