

From: Adam Southard  
Sent: 7/28/2015 9:24:15 AM  
To: Haley, Nikki  
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Subject: Support a Clean Power Plan that Put People and Planet First!

Dear Nikki Haley (R),

There is a clear and consistent scientific consensus that our planet is in distress. Carbon emissions are responsible for climate change and for pollution that is threatening our children's health and future. Although everyone is impacted, we know that it is poor and working-class communities who bear the brunt of the impact.

The EPA's Clean Power Plan is an important opportunity for our state to reduce our carbon footprint, improve the environment and public health, and create quality, green jobs. But we have to get it right.

I am writing to urge you to:

1. Establish a robust public process to get input from a variety of communities on the Clean Power Plan, particularly low-income communities that bear the brunt of carbon pollution and the effects of climate change.
2. Include an equity analysis to ensure that the most-impacted communities see the benefits of lower energy costs, reduced pollution and new jobs.
3. Ensure that our state develops a State Implementation Plan that prioritizes renewable energy and energy efficiency.
4. Ensure that our State Implementation Plan does not lead to an expansion of nuclear energy and natural gas fracking, both of which carry their devastating environmental costs.

Our state should be at the forefront of creating a new, green economy and leaving our children a clean, sustainable planet.

Sincerely,

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