

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

January 15, 2014

The Honorable Gina McCarthy
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Administrator McCarthy,

We are writing to request a sixty day extension of the comment period for the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed rule titled Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from New Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units (RIN 2060-AQ91).

Given the 2.5 million comments EPA received for the previous version of this rule and the many stakeholders who could be affected, we believe a comment period extension is appropriate.

As you know, the EPA's actions have far-reaching implications, and this proposed rule affects not only coal and natural gas companies but also energy-intensive industries like manufacturing and construction as well as average American families trying to pay their electric bills.

Given that nearly forty percent of electricity in the United States is generated by coal, it is especially important to carefully consider both the short- and long-term ramifications of this proposal. In some states nearly ninety percent of electricity is coal-powered, so consumers could be especially hard-hit. We have already heard an outpouring of concern from constituents alarmed about this proposal's impact on energy affordability, job creation, and long-term economic growth. Allowing stakeholders additional time to comment will ensure those wishing to share their views are able to do so and will enable the EPA to more fully consider public opinion.

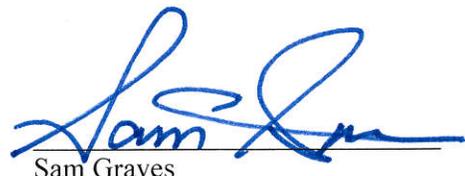
Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to working with you to develop commonsense policies that protect our precious natural resources while creating jobs, lowering costs, and boosting our economy.

Sincerely,



Jackie Walorski
Member of Congress

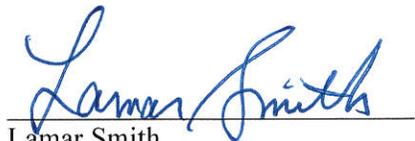

Mike Conaway
Chairman, Committee on Ethics


Sam Graves
Chairman, Committee on Small Business


Michael McCaul
Chairman, Committee on Homeland Security


Hal Rogers
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations


Bill Shuster
Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure


Lamar Smith
Chairman, Committee on Space, Science,
& Technology


Nick Rahall
Ranking Member, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure


Robert Aderholt
Member of Congress


Andy Barr
Member of Congress


Joe Barton
Member of Congress

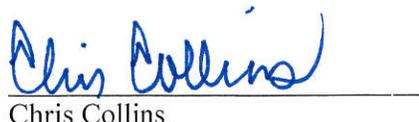

Marsha Blackburn
Member of Congress


Susan Brooks
Member of Congress


Paul Broun, M.D.
Member of Congress


Larry Bueshon, M.D.
Member of Congress


Shelley Moore Capito
Member of Congress


Chris Collins
Member of Congress


Doug Collins
Member of Congress


Kevin Cramer
Member of Congress


Steve Daines
Member of Congress


Rodney Davis
Member of Congress


Charles Dent
Member of Congress


Sean Duffy
Member of Congress


William Enyart
Member of Congress


John C. Fleming, M.D.
Member of Congress


Bill Flores
Member of Congress

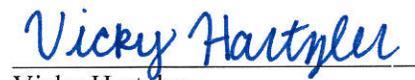

Paul Gosar, D.D.S.
Member of Congress


Tim Griffin
Member of Congress


H. Morgan Griffith
Member of Congress

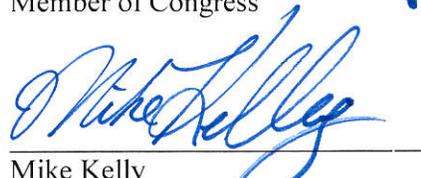

Brett Guthrie
Member of Congress


Andy Harris
Member of Congress


Vicky Hartzler
Member of Congress


Tim Huelskamp
Member of Congress


Bill Johnson
Member of Congress


Mike Kelly
Member of Congress


Steve King
Member of Congress



Jack Kingston
Member of Congress



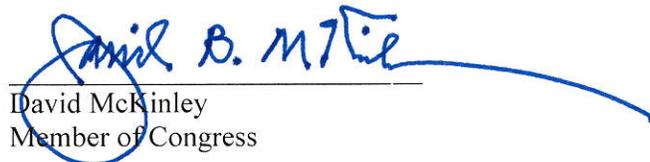
Doug Lamborn
Member of Congress



Billy Long
Member of Congress



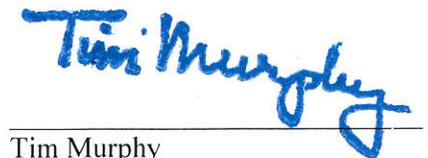
Thomas Massie
Member of Congress



David McKinley
Member of Congress



Luke Messer
Member of Congress



Tim Murphy
Member of Congress



Rich Nugent
Member of Congress



Stevan Pearce
Member of Congress



Adam Kinzinger
Member of Congress



Robert Latta
Member of Congress



Cynthia Lummis
Member of Congress



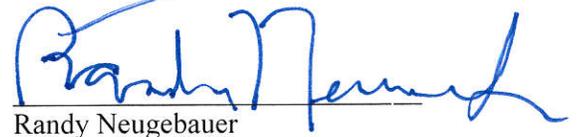
Jim Matheson
Member of Congress



Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Member of Congress



Mick Mulvaney
Member of Congress



Randy Neugebauer
Member of Congress



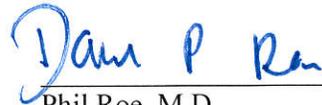
Pete Olson
Member of Congress



Trey Radel
Member of Congress



Jim Renacci
Member of Congress



Phil Roe, M.D.
Member of Congress



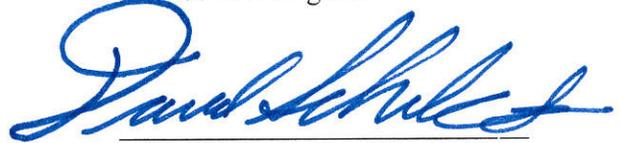
Dana Rohrabacher
Member of Congress



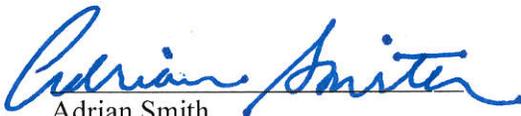
Todd Rokita
Member of Congress



Keith Rothfus
Member of Congress



David Schweikert
Member of Congress



Adrian Smith
Member of Congress



Jason Smith
Member of Congress



Chris Stewart
Member of Congress



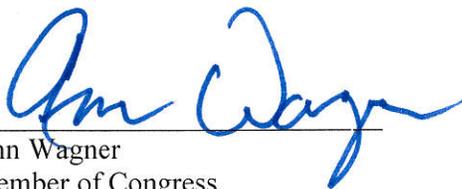
Steve Stivers
Member of Congress



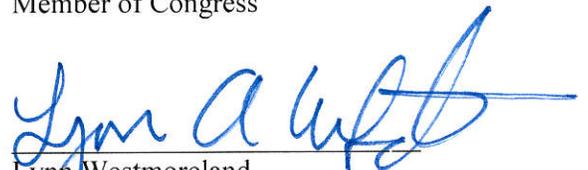
Marlin Stutzman
Member of Congress



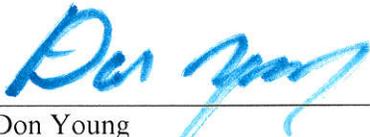
Glenn 'GT' Thompson
Member of Congress



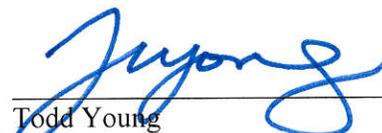
Ann Wagner
Member of Congress



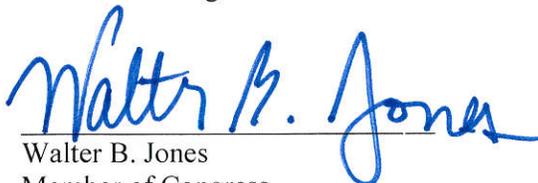
Lynn Westmoreland
Member of Congress



Don Young
Member of Congress



Todd Young
Member of Congress



Walter B. Jones
Member of Congress