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NACAA Releases Model Plans to Support State Clean Power Plan Implementation Efforts

(Washington, D.C.) - The National Association of Clean Air Agencies (NACAA) is pleased to announce the release of a comprehensive technical resource to help states respond to EPA's Clean Power Plan and reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the power sector. The document, entitled *EPA's Clean Power Plan: Model State Plans*, summarizes the rule's requirements, highlights key decision points in the state planning process, analyzes various plan types and components, provides example plan provisions for rate- and mass-based programs, and develops a complete model state plan and a model initial submittal. It is available [here](#).

Although the Clean Power Plan has been stayed by the U.S. Supreme Court while legal challenges to the rule are resolved, many states continue to plan for the rule's potential implementation. In addition, some states are considering regulatory strategies to reduce greenhouse gases independent of the Clean Power Plan. The *Model* will serve as an excellent technical resource in either scenario.

"Each state is differently situated with respect to the Clean Power Plan. The *Model* will help agencies develop plan pathways that reflect their unique circumstances, stakeholder perspectives and policy preferences," said Stu Clark (Washington), NACAA Co-President and State Co-chair of NACAA's Global Warming Committee. NACAA does not endorse any particular plan pathway or express any policy preferences in the *Model*. Instead, the *Model* devotes more than 400 pages to examining many plan options, evaluating each according to a wide range of criteria reflecting the diverse views of the states.

The *Model* is the latest in a series of tools developed by NACAA to support state Clean Power Plan implementation efforts. "I am proud of NACAA's long tradition of providing outstanding technical resources to states and localities as they carry out their critically important work of cleaning the nation's air," said Larry Greene (Sacramento, CA), Local Co-Chair of NACAA's Global Warming Committee. "The *Model* will be an excellent resource for regulatory agencies and other stakeholders engaged in greenhouse gas reduction strategies." Earlier work from NACAA related to the Clean Power Plan has included a [Menu of Options](#) to help states identify strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the power sector and extensive collaboration with state energy and utility officials on CPP implementation issues.

NACAA is the national, non-partisan, non-profit association of air pollution control agencies in 40 states, the District of Columbia, four territories and 116 metropolitan areas. The association serves to encourage the exchange of information, to enhance communication and cooperation among federal, state, and local regulatory agencies, and to promote good management of our air resources.

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