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## Office of the Governor

April 28, 2015

The Honorable Gina McCarthy Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20460

Re: Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2013-0602. Emission Guidelines for Existing Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units

Dear Administrator McCarthy,

On June 2, 2014, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed emission guidelines for existing electric utility generating units. These emission guidelines are far-reaching and extend EPA's regulatory authority beyond its statutory authority. On December 1, 2014, I submitted a comment letter detailing my concerns.

I write now to ask that you consider a recent study by the Center for Energy Economics and Public Policy at the University of Wyoming. The study, titled "The Impact of the Coal Economy on Wyoming," was published in February of 2015. The study addresses the influence of the coal industry on Wyoming's economy and analyzes impacts to the industry and Wyoming's economy.

The study determined the single largest threat to Wyoming's coal industry is EPA's Clean Power Plan (this proposed rule and related 111(b) proposed rulemaking). You have the discretion to consider additional information when a rule is not yet final. I formally request this study be a part of the record and consideration in making your final decisions regarding this proposed rulemaking.

Sincerely,

Matthew H. Mead

Governor

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cc: The Honorable Mike Enzi, U.S. Senate

The Honorable John Barrasso, U.S. Senate

The Honorable Cynthia Lummis, U.S. House of Representatives