

A Grid in Transition: A look at Power Systems Regulations

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Overview:

- US Department of Energy Structure
- EPA Regulations Affecting the Power Industry:
 - Clean Power Plan
 - Carbon Storage Regulations
- Emissions and Generation Trends
- Coal's R&D Focus: Carbon Capture and Storage



Department of Energy Organization



Office of Fossil Energy



Strategic Petroleum Reserves



(Not to scale)

National Energy Technology Laboratory

Recent US. EPA Regulations: Power Sector



The EPA Regulatory Train Wreck: Regulatory Timeline for Coal-Fueled Power Plants



Proposed 111(b) New Source Performance Standard: New Coal and Gas Fired Power Plants

Coal-Fired Units: less than 1,100 lbs CO₂/MWh [~500 gCO₂ / kWh] Reference: New Super Critical: 1,800-2,000 lbs CO₂/MWh [800-900 gCO₂ / kWh]

Coal may comply with ~ 40% capture

NGCC: 1,000 lbs CO_2/MWh [453 gCO_2 / kWh] Gas CT: 1,100 lbs CO_2/MWh [500 gCO_2 / kWh]

- Compliance is on a 12 month rolling basis
- Captured CO₂ may be sent for geologic storage
- EOR may be used with appropriate reporting (Subpart RR)

Timeline:

Proposed Regulation: November, 2013 Final Regulation expected Summer, 2015 Note: 111(b) must be final before 111(d) is final!





CLEAN POWER PLAN

Reducing Carbon Pollution From Existing Power Plants

2014 Proposal





This Proposal Deals With the Largest Source of GHG Emissions in the U.S.

U.S. GREENHOUSE GAS POLLUTION INCLUDES:

3%

6% -

9% ·



CARBON DIOXIDE (CO2) 82%

Enters the atmosphere through burning fossil fuels (coal, natural gas, and oil), solid waste, trees and wood products, and also as a result of certain chemical reactions (e.g., manufacture of cement).

FLUORINATED GASES

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Hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, and sulfur hexafluoride are synthetic, powerful greenhouse gases that are emitted from a variety of industrial processes.

NITROUS OXIDE (N2O)

Emitted during agricultural and industrial activities, as well as during combustion of fossil fuels and solid waste.

METHANE (CH4)



Emitted during the production and transport of coal, natural gas, and oil as well as from landfills.



Clean Power Plan: The Building Blocks

Building Block		Strategy EPA Used to Calculate the State Goal	Maximum Flexibility: Examples of State Compliance Measures
1.	Make fossil fuel-fired power plants more efficient	Efficiency Improvements	Efficiency improvements Co-firing or switching to natural gas Coal retirements Retrofit CCS (e.g.,WA Parish in Texas)
2.	Use lower-emitting power sources more	Dispatch changes to existing natural gas combined cycle (CC)	Dispatch changes to existing natural gas CC
3. ene	Build more zero/low-emitting ergy sources	Renewable Energy Certain Nuclear	New NGCC Renewables Nuclear (new and up-rates) New coal with CCS
4.	Use electricity more efficiently	Demand-side energy efficiency programs	Demand-side energy efficiency programs Transmission efficiency improvements Energy storage





States Have Flexibility



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Timing of Power Plant Emission Reductions



Proposed Implementation Timeline



Underground Injection Control (UIC) Well Classes





Energy Perspectives: Future Electricity and Emission Trends



This is a time of fossil energy abundance Once in a generation opportunity to build



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Annual Energy Outlook 2014: Electricity Projections to 2040 (Reference Case)

(trillion kilowatthours)



Annual Energy Outlook 2014: ~60 GW of retirements between Reported and Modeled





More than 40 Gtons /y



CCS technology remains critically important:



Carbon Capture and Storage



Carbon Capture and Storage:





Office of Clean Coal: Program Summary









CO₂ Capture and Compression

Cost effective capture for new and existing plants

Major Goals: 2016: complete 2nd gen field tests (~1.0 MW scale) 2020: complete 2nd gen pilot tests (10 to 25 MW) 2025: complete transformational tech. field tests (~ 1.0 MW)

CO₂ Storage

Safe, permanent storage of CO₂ from power and industry

Major Goals: 2020: technologies and tools available to measure and account for 99% of injected CO₂ 2020: CCS best practices and protocols completed based upon RCSP Phase III activities

Advanced Energy Systems

Gasification, Adv Turbines, Adv Combustion, CBTL, and fuel cells Major Goals: 2016: Complete Warm Gas Cleanup demo. 2025: 20-30% Reduction in Combined Cycle Capital Cost (2nd gen) 2025: Advanced combustion ready for pilot scale operation

Cross-Cutting Research

Crosscutting technology development program

Major Goals: 2016: advance 2nd gen materials, sensors, modeling technologies to applied programs 2020: develop distributed communication sensor networks (transformational tech.)

Regional Carbon Sequestration Partnerships

Creating Infrastructure for Wide Scale Deployment

Characterization Phase

• 24 months (2003-2005)

Validation Phase

- 4 years (2005 2009)
- 7 Partnerships (41 states)
- 23 Geologic field validation tests

Deployment Phase

- 10 years (2008-2017)
- Several large injection tests in different geology





DOE CCUS Demonstration Projects

Focus – Large-scale commercial demonstration of CCUS integrated with coal power generation and industrial sources.







Power to the Grid: 2014 Gasifiers Starting Up

W.A. Parrish, TX NRG/PetraNova project





Broke Ground Sept. 5th

International Community Has Committed a Lot of Funding for Large CCS Demonstration Projects



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Cost, policy, and parity

Levelized cost of electricity (\$/MWh) for new generation sources and levelized power purchase agreement prices for recent wind and solar projects



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Summary:

- EPA Regulations causing major investment changes in the Electricity Sector
- Natural Gas abundance creates a fuel "bridge"
- Emissions remain high much work needs to occur!
- US: Strong regulatory basis for CCS
- New regulations providing a policy push
- R&D and incentives will provide a technology pull



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