



What's at stake: Environmental Justice and the EPA's Clean Power Plan



Thank you for joining us. The
Webinar will begin momentarily.

Logistics

- Speakers will present for a total of about 45 minutes
- The rest of the time will be slated for an open interactive discussion
- Tweeting during the webinar, use the hashtag, #closetheejgap
- Throughout the webinar, feel free to post questions in the chat room



**Achieving Environmental Justice by
Building Healthy Communities Since 1988 !**

New York Office

- **Community watchdog for 25-years**
- **Theory of change involves research, community organizing, education & advocacy**
- **Vast number of program areas & campaigns**
- **Participation in numerous coalitions**

Washington DC Office

- **Established in Summer of 2012**
- **Federal Policy focus**
- **Congressional Advocacy**
- **Coordinate national coalition of climate justice leaders**

Environmental Justice is the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies.

Environmental Protection Agency Definition



Our definition of EJ

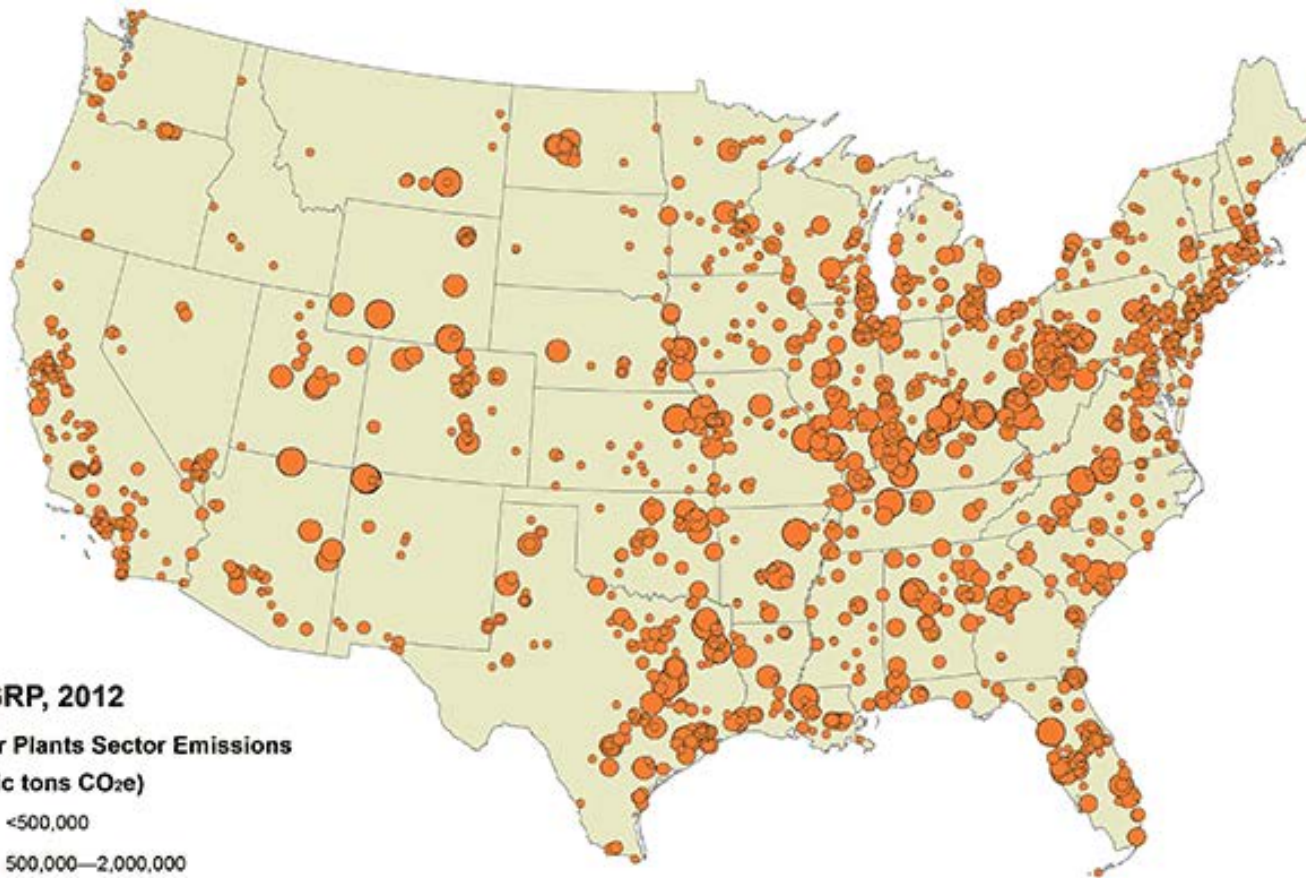
- The right to *decent and affordable housing, access to health care, quality education, safe and secure employment at a livable wage, accessible public transportation, parks and green space, safe drinking water, healthy food & clean air*
- Our work is based on the 17 Principles of Environmental Justice, Jemez Principles, Climate Justice Principles
- ...public policy be based on the mutual respect of all peoples...

The President's Climate Action Plan



- Released in June 2013
- Organized into 3 Pillars to:
 - #1 Cut carbon pollution
 - #2 Prepare for the impacts
 - #3 Lead international efforts
- Charged the EPA with regulating emissions from new and existing power plants

Power Plant Sector Emissions from Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program



GHGRP, 2012

Power Plants Sector Emissions
(metric tons CO₂e)

- <500,000
- 500,000—2,000,000
- 2,000,000—5,000,000
- 5,000,000—10,000,000
- >10,000,000

Data Source: 2012 Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program
As of: 09/01/2013

Webinar Objectives

- Provide a general overview of the **EPAs Clean Power Plan and 111(d) standard.**
- Highlight some elements of the rule that might be a concern for low income, communities of color, and others impacted directly by existing power plants.
- Increase the level of interest and engagement in the public commenting process that is forthcoming at the federal and state level.

Featured Speakers & Discussants (in alpha order)



Mr. Ananda Tan
US/Canada Regional Coordinator
Global Alliance for Incinerator
Alternatives



Ms. Leslie Fields
National EJ Director
Sierra Club



Mr. Brent Newell
Legal Director
Center for Race, Poverty &
Environment



Rev. Leo Woodberry
Kingdom Living Temple



Mr. Cecil D. Corbin-Mark
Deputy Director/Director of Policy
Initiatives
WE ACT for Environmental Justice



Ms. Monique Harden
Co-Director & Attorney,
Advocates for Environmental
Human Rights



Dr. Cecilia Martinez
Director of Research Programs
Center for Earth, Energy and
Democracy



Dr. Rachel Morello-Frosch
Professor of Environmental Science,
Policy and Management, University of
California, Berkeley

Moderator



Dr. Jalonne L. White-Newsome
Environmental Justice Federal
Policy Analyst
WE ACT for Environmental Justice

Logistics

- We will address questions at the end. Please send questions using the chat box.
- All mics will be on mute during the webinar; an open mic for discussion at the end of the webinar.
- The webinar will be recorded.

OPEN

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DISCUSSION

What do I do now?

- Attend a public hearing and/or submit comments!
 - Public hearings start next week!
 - All speaking slots are filled but the public is welcome to attend
 - Comments are being accepted via the web, federal register, mail, hand-delivered up until October 16th!
- State-wide public hearings have started – get engaged!
- Make sure you incorporate what you've heard into your advocacy!



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- How to comment
- Sample testimony
- List of resources (papers, studies, blogs, articles)
- Key websites
- Power Plan Dictionary
- Webinar recordings
- Ally group statements
- “Our Voices”



Thank You!

- We appreciate your attendance and support.
- A recording of this discussion will be available after the webinar has ended.
- Please complete the webinar evaluation
- If you have any concerns, please email Jalonne@weact.org