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Electricity Generation Alternatives for New Jersey's Future:

*What is the Right Mix for Improving
Air Quality and Reducing Climate Change?*

New Jersey Clean Air Council
Annual Public Hearing
April 1, 2009
9:30 a.m.

N.J. Department of Environmental Protection
401 E. State St., Trenton

Clean Air Council 2009 Hearing

The Clean Air Council of New Jersey invites you to attend its annual public hearing at 9:30 a.m. on April 1, 2009, in the public hearing room of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's headquarters in Trenton. Based on testimony offered during the hearing, the Council will make recommendations to the DEP on electricity generating options to promote in the future that would improve air quality and reduce the risks associated with climate change.

The Challenge

- Air quality and the risks associated with climate change are complex with local, regional and global concerns.
- The evolution from the present to the future mix of alternatives for generation of electricity also is complicated and extends beyond the boundaries of New Jersey.
- New Jersey's choices on the mix of electricity generation will impact air quality and could affect the risks associated with climate change.

■ Making choices, charting a path and moving forward should be timely, so that public health and the environment benefit sooner rather than later.

■ The optimum selection of generating alternatives must consider the possibility of power disruption, instability of electric supply and significant rate increases.

The Clean Air Council is an advisory body to the DEP. Each year the Council releases a report highlighting air quality issues affecting our state. This year the Council is seeking information and public comment on the most practical options for providing a clean and sufficient electric supply for our residents, institutions and businesses.

Issues for the Hearing

Specifically, the Clean Air Council is requesting testimony on:

■ air contaminants of concern, including greenhouse gases, the levels associated with different generating alternatives and their associated health and welfare impacts;

- appropriate roles for New Jersey government agencies in evaluating and determining the future mix of electric generation, transmission and distribution capacity;
- electricity generating and carbon capture technologies and their strengths and weaknesses relevant to air quality and climate change;
- impact on air quality and climate change associated with various generating options used to meet consumer needs, including: peak demand generation, intermediate load following generation, base load generation, and distributed generation;
- feasibility of alternatives, considering: economics, fuel and transmission availability, time frames for developing new energy infrastructure, and the need for reliable power supply without significant price increases;
- environmental and economic opportunities that can be tied to a new smarter and cleaner mix of generating alternatives.

Hearing Procedures

The Clean Air Council has invited guest speakers who will address many of these topics and provide suggestions to help New Jersey make informed decisions about its electricity generation alternatives. Interested residents of New Jersey are invited and encouraged to participate.

Anyone wishing to testify or attend this public hearing is asked to complete the attached Notice of Intention to Attend and mail it to the Clean Air Council by March 20, 2009.

Those wishing to testify should also contact Sonia Evans at (609) 633-2007, via e-mail at cac@dep.state.nj.us or by fax at (609) 984-6369. Presenters will be allowed 10 minutes and are asked to bring 25 copies of their remarks, including a summary of key information and recommendations.

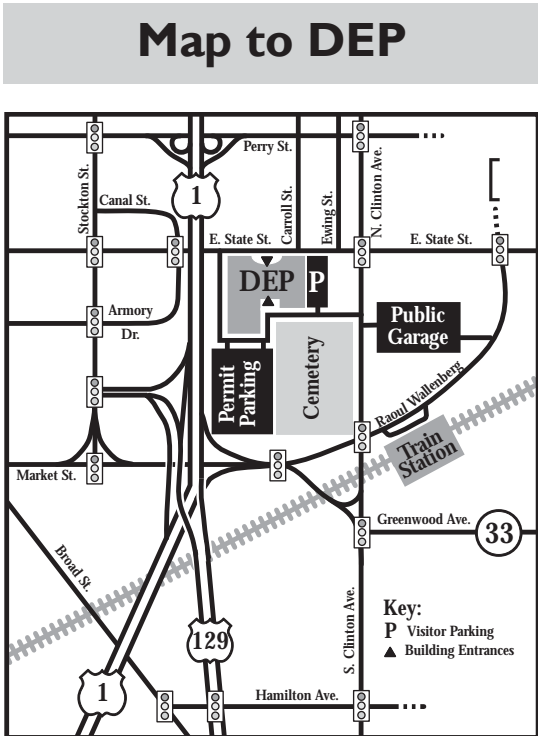
Written testimony also may be submitted until April 30, 2009, to the following address:

New Jersey Clean Air Council
401 E. State Street
P.O. Box 027
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The Clean Air Council

First convened in 1968, the Clean Air Council was created by the Legislature to make recommendations to the state of New Jersey on matters and programs pertaining to air pollution control.

For more information on the Clean Air Council, visit www.nj.gov/dep/cleanair.



Public Hearing Notice of Intention to Attend

- ☐ I plan only to attend the April 1, 2009, Clean Air Council public hearing.
- ☐ I plan to attend and to testify at the public hearing.

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