



LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS

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United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Oppose Radical Attacks on Commonsense Carbon Pollution Safeguards

Dear Representative,

The League of Conservation Voters (LCV) works to turn environmental values into national priorities. Each year, LCV publishes the *National Environmental Scorecard*, which details the voting records of members of Congress on environmental legislation. The *Scorecard* is distributed to LCV members, concerned voters nationwide, and the media.

LCV urges you to vote NO on Senators McConnell and Capito's Congressional Review Act resolutions of disapproval (S.J. Res. 23 and 24) that would permanently block the EPA's Clean Power Plan. These resolutions would prevent commonsense safeguards to limit carbon pollution from power plants, our nation's largest source of the pollution fueling climate change.

The Clean Power Plan is the biggest step our country has ever taken to address climate change, and it provides major public health and economic benefits. By 2030, it is expected to prevent over 3,000 premature deaths and more than a hundred thousand asthma attacks annually. The Clean Power Plan will also create thousands of jobs, reduce energy waste, and help speed the country's transition to an economy powered by clean energy. This plan is the product of an extensive outreach and stakeholder engagement process, during which time more than 8 million supportive comments were submitted to the EPA. It also provides states the flexibility to craft the solutions that work best for them.

The Congressional Review Act is an extreme measure and, if successful, would prohibit the EPA from developing "substantially similar" standards in the future. The science is clear that failing to address climate change will lead to more dangerous and costly extreme weather events and threaten the health of our families. We urge you to oppose these attacks that place the interests of polluters above public health and put the future of our planet in danger.

We urge you to REJECT S.J. Res. 23 and 24. We will strongly consider including votes on these measures in the 2015 Scorecard. If you need more information, please call my office at (202) 785-8683 and ask to speak with a member of our government relations team.

Sincerely,

Gene Karpinski
President