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Public Involvement Meeting in Downtown Albuquerque on New Mexico's Implementation of EPA's Clean Power Plan

Santa Fe – On Thursday, Nov. 19 the New Mexico Environment Department will host the first of several public involvement meetings to briefly present the requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) recently enacted Clean Power Plan (CPP) in order to engage with New Mexicans regarding the Plan's requirements, and to draw upon that input as the state's options for CPP implementation continue to be developed. EPA's Clean Power Plan sets requirements for states to lower carbon dioxide emissions, especially from existing fossil fuel-fired power plants. The State of New Mexico will develop a State Implementation Plan to ensure that these federal requirements are met.

The meeting begins Thursday, Nov. 19 at 4 p.m. at the Environment Department's District 1 Office in Downtown Albuquerque with a brief introduction to the Clean Power Plan, followed by the opportunity for interested citizens to share their comments and questions. Oral and written comments and questions will be accepted and can be sent in advance, if desired, to: NMENV-NMCPP@state.nm.us.

Basic information about the Clean Power Plan will be provided and is also available at:

<https://www.env.nm.gov/aqb/CPP.htm>.

Who: New Mexico Environment Department & State of New Mexico's Clean Power Plan Team
What: Public Involvement on Clean Power Plan's Requirements for New Mexico
When: 4 – 6 p.m. Thursday, November 19
Where: New Mexico Environment Department District 1 Office, 505.222.9500
121 Tijeras Ave. NE, Downtown Albuquerque, New Mexico

Space will be limited. Please contact Cindy Hollenberg, New Mexico Environment Department, at 505-476-4356 to RSVP or for further information. Visit: <https://www.env.nm.gov/aqb/CPP.htm> for information on the Clean Power Plan and ways to participate.

The Clean Power Plan Team includes experts from the New Mexico Environment Department, **The City of Albuquerque Environmental Health Department**, the New Mexico Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Department, and the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission.

Persons having a disability and needing accommodations to participate in the public outreach meeting should contact Juan Carlos Borrego of the NMED Human Resources Bureau by November 9, 2015 at P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM, 87502, telephone (505) 827-0424 or email to juancarlos.borrego@state.nm.us. TDY users, please access his number via the New Mexico Relay Network at 1-800-659-8331.

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