



## **Women's Mining Coalition Supports Bi-Partisan Efforts to Curtail Misuse of the Clean Air Act**

### EPA Regulation of Greenhouse Gasses

The Women's Mining Coalition (WMC) supports bipartisan efforts in the House and Senate that aim to stop the Environmental Protection Agency from misusing the Clean Air Act to unilaterally impose job-destroying greenhouse gas emission rules.

In the Senate, Sens. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) and Blanche Lincoln (D-Ark.) have introduced S.J. Res. 26, while in the House, Reps. Ike Skelton (D-Mo.), Collin Peterson (D-Minn.) and Jo Ann Emerson (R-Mo.) have introduced H.J. Res. 76. These resolutions would prevent the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from misusing the Clean Air Act (CAA) to regulate greenhouse gas emissions.

EPA has proposed regulating greenhouse gas emissions under the CAA, even though the act was never intended for such an effort and despite numerous statements by EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson that the Obama Administration wants Congress, not EPA, to make any final decisions on possible greenhouse gas emission rules.

America's future economic prosperity is rooted in the ready supply of affordable domestic energy. Affordable electricity supports jobs across the entire manufacturing and services sectors. EPA's proposed course of action would devastate American coal mine operators, who provide the lion's share of domestic electricity, which in turn would deal a severe economic blow to the businesses and jobs that rely on coal for affordable energy.

EPA's unilateral effort to impose these regulations would spread economic pain across the entire economy. American mineral and metal producers, small and large manufacturers and businesses of every variety would feel the pain of EPA's plans.

EPA itself has projected that regulation of greenhouse gases under the CAA will saddle burdensome regulatory obligations on more than 6 million sources, flooding federal and state agencies with more than 40,000 permit applications annually, while increasing the average time to process a permit to 10 years.

We urge members of Congress to support S.J. Res. 26 and H.J. Res. 76 to stop EPA and ensure that any future energy and environment rules are created by elected officials sent to Washington, D.C., by the voters, and not by unelected federal bureaucrats.

**WMC Urges Congress to Support S.J. Res. 26 and H.J. Res. 76—Resolutions Preventing the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from misusing the Clean Air Act (CAA) to regulate greenhouse gas emissions.**