

# Technology Giants and Other Companies Show Support for Clean Power Plan

## Two Amicus Curiae Briefs were Filed in Early April to U.S. Circuit Court

### “Tech Amici”



#### Vested Interest in CPP

The production and services provided by Tech Amici are only possible with reliable and affordable electricity and energy sources.

#### Reasoning for Support

Delaying action on climate change will have significant economic and human costs and the tech amici companies have already demonstrated that using and developing renewable electricity can be affordable, reliable, and consistent with best practices. Renewable energy is less subject to price volatility and provides greater long-term cost certainty.

### “Amici companies”



#### Vested Interest in CPP

Significant consumers of electricity to power manufacturing plants, data centers, and overall business operations.

#### Reasoning for Support

The companies will incur economic and social disruptions if action is halted/delayed on the Clean Power Plan because uncertainty about the generation source of electricity makes assessing long term decisions difficult. The companies have also made public commitments to procuring electricity from low- and zero-emitting sources.

The briefs were submitted for an oral argument scheduled for June 2, 2016 in the case of *State of West Virginia v. United States Environmental Protection Agency and Regina A. McCarthy, Administrator* at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

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