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Resolution No. 2002-03

Environmental Protection Agency and New Source Review

Introduced By CSG-WEST Energy Committee

Whereas, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently issued proposed rules to clarify certain aspects of the New Source Review (NSR) program of the Clean Air Act; and

Whereas, the Western United States has, over recent years, experienced a significant increase in demand for electricity, and an adequate supply of reliable electric power is essential to the well-being of the West; and

Whereas, uncertainty of electric suppliers as to applicability of NSR rules, and policies that penalize and discourage repair, replacement and maintenance activities at generating facilities could adversely impact the reliability of the electric system in the West.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council of State Government-*WEST*:

- 1 – Applaud the EPA’s efforts to clarify, and remove the uncertainty associated with the application of NSR regulations;
- 2 – Encourage EPA to issue guidance, promulgate rules, or otherwise act to implement their NSR proposal as quickly as possible; and
- 3 – Urge EPA to align its enforcement priorities with the recently announced NSR proposal.

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