**Ask:** Delay EPA’s Clean Power Plan until the courts rule

**Audience:** White House, with the option for signees to CC their members of Congress

**Method:** Open letter accessible through action.coop for co-op family and a standalone micro-site for outside-the-family signees.

**Text of Letter:**

Americans all depend on safe, affordable and reliable electricity to power their homes and businesses. But EPA’s “Clean Power Plan” threatens the affordable and dependable power our communities need.

The Clean Power Plan is on shaky legal ground and could well be overturned by the courts. For the 42 million Americans who get power from electric cooperatives, the rule likely means higher electric bills, job losses, and less reliable service. Electric co-ops have worked with the EPA over the last year to reduce the negative impacts of this rule. In fact, supporters of electric cooperatives sent 1.2 million comments to the EPA on the proposal.

Now that the rule is final, it will be debated in the courts for years to come. Co-ops and other utilities will have to make big financial decisions that will impact my electric bill if a “time out” is not provided. Please protect consumers with a delay of this rule until the courts have weighed in.

Thank you.