# IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

ASSOCIATED ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC., DESERET
GENERATION & TRANSMISSION
CO-OPERATIVE d/b/a DESERET
POWER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE,
OHIO VALLEY ELECTRIC
CORPORATION, WABASH VALLEY
POWER ASSOCIATION, INC. d/b/a
WABASH VALLEY POWER
ALLIANCE, AMERICA'S POWER,
NATIONAL RURAL ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION,
PORTLAND CEMENT
ASSOCIATION,

Petitioners,

v.

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY and MICHAEL S. REGAN, Administrator, U.S. EPA,

Respondents.

Case No.: 23-1195

Filed: 07/27/2023

PETITION FOR REVIEW

Pursuant to Clean Air Act Section 307(b)(1), 42 U.S.C. § 7607(b)(1), the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. § 702, Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 15(a), and D.C. Circuit Rule 15, America's Power, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., Deseret Generation & Transmission Co-Operative d/b/a Deseret Power Electric Cooperative, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Ohio Valley Electric Corporation, the Portland Cement Association, and Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc. d/b/a Wabash Valley Power Alliance hereby petition this Court for review of Respondent United States Environmental Protection Agency's ("EPA") and Administrator Michael S. Regan's final action promulgating a federal implementation plan to address interstate transport requirements of 42 U.S.C. § 7410(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) for the 2015 8-hour ozone national ambient air quality standards.

EPA's final action is titled "Federal 'Good Neighbor Plan' for the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards," and is published in the Federal Register at 88 Fed. Reg. 36,654 (June 5, 2023) (EPA Docket No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0668). A copy of EPA's final rule is attached to this Petition. This Court has jurisdiction over this Petition under 42 U.S.C. § 7607(b)(1). In the interest of expediting consideration of this challenge and to avoid any delay that likely would be caused by disputes over venue in the regional circuits, Petitioners acquiesce to venue in this Court.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**RULE 26.1 CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS** 

#### **AMERICA'S POWER**

Pursuant to Rule 26.1 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure and D.C. Circuit Rule 26.1, America's Power submits the following statement:

- 1. America's Power is a nonprofit membership corporation organized under the laws of the District of Columbia and is recognized as a tax-exempt trade association by the Internal Revenue Service under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code. America's Power is the only national trade association whose sole mission is to advocate at the federal and state levels on behalf of coal-fueled electricity, the coal fleet, and its supply chain. America's Power supports policies that promote the use of coal to assure a reliable, resilient, and affordable supply of electricity to meet our nation's demand for energy.
- 2. America's Power is a "trade association" within the meaning of Circuit Rule 26.1(b). It has no parent corporation, and no publicly held company owns a 10 percent or greater interest in America's Power.

## ASSOCIATED ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("AECI") is a rural electric cooperative that provides whole power and high-voltage transmission to its six regional generation and transmission cooperative member-owners. In addition to providing power sales and transmission service to its member cooperatives, AECI also takes and provides transmission service through enabling transmission

agreements with and makes off-system power sales to various counterparties in the United States. These six regional generation and transmission cooperatives, in turn, supply wholesale power to fifty-one distribution cooperatives in Missouri, three distribution cooperatives in southeast Iowa, and nine distribution cooperatives in northeast Oklahoma, serving more than 910,000 customers. AECI has no parent company and no publicly held company has a 10% or greater ownership interest in AECI.

#### DESERET POWER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Deseret Generation & Transmission Co-Operative d/b/a Deseret Power Electric Cooperative ("Deseret") certifies that it is a nonprofit, regional generation and transmission cooperative, owned by its five member systems, serving approximately 65,000 customers in Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, Nevada, and Arizona. Neither Deseret, nor its member cooperatives issue stock, and therefore no publicly-traded company owns 10% or more of their stock.

#### NATIONAL RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

Pursuant Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 26.1 and Circuit Rule 26.1, the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association ("NRECA") states that it is the nonprofit national trade association for electric cooperatives. On behalf of its members, NRECA participates in administrative and judicial proceedings involving or affecting its members' interests. NRECA has no parent company. No

publicly held company has a ten percent (10%) or greater ownership interest in NRECA. NRECA is an incorporated entity.

### OHIO VALLEY ELECTRIC CORPORATION

The Ohio Valley Electric Corporation ("OVEC") is a corporation originally formed by a consortium of utility companies for purposes of constructing and operating electric generating units to serve the electric energy needs of uranium processing facilities owned by the United States Department of Energy. OVEC owns the Kyger Creek generating station in Ohio, and OVEC's wholly owned subsidiary Indiana-Kentucky Electric Corporation owns the Clifty Creek generating station in Indiana. OVEC has no parent company. American Electric Power Company, Inc., and Buckeye Power, Inc., each owns greater than 10 percent of the equity in OVEC.

#### PORTLAND CEMENT ASSOCIATION

The Portland Cement Association ("PCA"), founded in 1916, is the premier policy, research, education, and market intelligence organization serving America's cement manufacturers. PCA represents a majority of U.S. cement production capacity. PCA promotes safety, sustainability, and innovation in all aspects of construction, fosters continuous improvement in cement manufacturing and distribution, and generally promotes economic growth and sound infrastructure investment. PCA states that it is a "trade association" for purposes of Circuit Rule

26.1(b). PCA has no parent corporation, and no publicly held company owns a 10 percent or greater interest in PCA.

### WABASH VALLEY POWER ALLIANCE

Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc. d/b/a Wabash Valley Power Alliance ("WVPA") certifies that it is a nonprofit, generation and transmission cooperative, owned by twenty-three member-owned rural cooperative systems, serving more than 330,000 homes, businesses, farms, and schools – impacting more than a million people – across 50 counties in Indiana, 30 counties in Illinois, and four counties in Missouri. Neither WVPA, nor its member cooperatives issue stock, and therefore no publicly-traded company owns 10% or more of their stock.

I hereby certify that I have caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Petition for Review to be served by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the following:

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Dated July 27, 2023

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