**MEMORANDUM**

**Date:** 10/26/2014

**From:**  Laura Farris/EPA Region 8

**To:** Clean Power Plan for Existing Power Plants; Docket Id: OAR–2013-0602

**Subject:** Xcel Energy Meeting on 11/25/2014

**Summary:**

Shaun McGrath participated in a one-on-one meeting with Xcel Energy to discuss their comments on the Clean Power Plan, as well as the NODA and the rate-to-mass TSD, on November 25, 2014, in Denver, Colorado. The Clean Power Plan was proposed on June 2, 2014.

**Attendees:**

**EPA Region 8**

Shaun McGrath, EPA Region 8 Regional Administrator

**External Stakeholders**

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**Subject:** **Thank you**

Administrator McGrath,

Thanks for your time yesterday. We’ve just finished our comments and submitted them. Over the last day, we took a good hard look at our responses to the NODA and the rate-to-mass TSD, and have incorporated our best current thinking there. While it is difficult to judge some of the proposed concepts in those documents without more specifics, such as the impacts of the suggested alternatives on our states, we have attempted to provide our feedback in a way that is useful to EPA. One theme that emerged more strongly in the last stages of our writing, and that I mentioned to you yesterday, is that we think it is important for EPA to consider and not increase the disparity of state targets in any new target-setting methods (e.g. “holistic” gas, regional renewable potential approaches) it chooses.

I look forward to talking more as the process to develop greenhouse regulations continues.

Best,

**Jack Ihle**

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