

Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy: Working for Clean Energy in the Courts and at the Legislature

Through legal and legislative advocacy, MCEA works to stop new global warming pollution from entering the atmosphere and to reduce the emissions Minnesota currently contributes by advocating energy efficiency and a transition to renewable energy.



In the Courts

In the courts, MCEA has worked to fight dirty energy by:

- Fighting Big Stone II power plant in South Dakota
- Being the first environmental organization to oppose the Keystone XL pipeline
- Opposing New Ulm Public Utilities Commission's proposed new coal power plant
- Demonstrating to state regulators that continued operation of old coal plants in Minnesota costs customers more than shutting them down



At the Legislature

At the legislature, MCEA has worked with legislators on efforts to address global warming, including:

- High potential greenhouse gas reporting
- Complete Streets
- Clean car emissions standards
- MN 2030 Energy Efficiency Bill
- Next Generation Energy Act



MCEA partners with the Izaak Walton League of America, Fresh Energy, and Sierra Club to transition away from Minnesota's reliance on old coal-fired power plants. Our work promotes tighter federal and state air quality controls while reducing power generation from these plants, which are a massive source of greenhouse gas emissions in the state, and in the country.

MCEA and its partners have convinced state regulators to take an active role to accelerate the retirement of existing coal-fired plants. Thanks to our work, Minnesota's older coal plants face a very uncertain future.

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