

League of United Latin American Citizens

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST LULAC NATIONAL SUPPORT THE EXTENSION OF NEW FEDERAL COAL ASH REGULATIONS TO ALL COAL ASH DISPOSED AT CURRENT AND RETIRED POWER PLANTS.

WHEREAS, the mission of the League of United Latin American Citizens is to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, housing, health, and civil rights of the Hispanic population of the United States where environmental hazards pose constant risks; and

WHEREAS, advancing the health of low-income communities and communities of color should be a priority in determining the full extent to which federal coal ash regulations should be applied; and

WHEREAS, coal ash pollution poses grave risks to health and the environment worldwide; also, coal ash is a toxic waste product generated by burning coal, and is a deadly brew of carcinogens, neurotoxins, and poisons; and

WHEREAS, the hazardous substances found in coal ash can harm every major organ in the human body; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2023, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed revisions to the federal safeguards for coal ash, and unacceptably failed to extend regulations to ALL coal ash dump sites. at former coal plants; and

WHEREAS, the EPA's new draft rule does not address coal ash that was **used** as construction fill at playgrounds, schools, and in neighborhoods.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that LULAC National supports the position to extend new federal coal ash regulations to **all** coal ash disposed of at current and retired power plants.

Voted & approved by the National Assembly of the 2023 LULAC National Convention on August 5, 2023.

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