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Voluntary Emissions Reduction Program

WHEREAS coal-fired generation in the State of Colorado is essential to low-cost and reliable electric service, and

WHEREAS Western Colorado has an abundant supply of clean-burning, low-sulfur coal, and coal production is an important part of the Western Slope economy; and

WHEREAS the Colorado General Assembly, in 1998, statutorily established a state voluntary emissions reduction program; and

WHEREAS voluntary emissions reduction programs have proven to be a cost-effective and efficient method of reducing emissions; and

WHEREAS the use of the voluntary emissions reduction program has helped ensure continued operation of existing coal-fired generation; and

WHEREAS additional cost-effective emissions reductions would allow for growth of the state’s generation capacity while simultaneously improving the environment; and

WHEREAS the State of Colorado can achieve its environmental goals more effectively through a voluntary program instead of federally mandated, command-and-control regulations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CLUB 20 strongly supports the Colorado Voluntary Emissions Reduction Program and encourages mechanisms to promote the continued use of that approach to air quality improvement.

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