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Today, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced finalization of the Affordable Clean Energy (ACE) Rule and finalized repeal of the Obama-era Clean Power Plan. The ACE Rule sets emission guidelines for state plans that are narrowly tailored toward in-the-fence-line measures that can be taken to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from coal-fired power plants.

Stuart Spencer, Associate Director for the ADEQ Office of Air Quality, spoke at the ACE Rule announcement event. Mr. Spencer remarked on the diversity of Arkansas's energy generation portfolio, including the John W. Turk Jr. ultra-supercritical coal-fired power plant. He emphasized ADEQ's commitment to review and implement the rule in Arkansas.

Over the coming months, ADEQ will review and seek input from the public, affected facilities, and other stakeholders on development of a plan to comply with the ACE Rule. ADEQ will make available for review by the Arkansas Legislative Council and the public any plan, including any enforceable control measures, that the Department proposes to submit to EPA for compliance with the ACE Rule. A copy of the final ACE Rule is available at <u>https://www.epa.gov/stationary-sources-air-pollution/affordable-clean-energy-rule</u>.

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