The Environmental Protection Agency has ignored the recent Supreme Court decision that CO2 is an air pollutant under the federal Clean Air Act and approved a permit for a new coal-fired power plant without regulating its CO2 emissions or considering the impact of the new power plant on global warming.

In a letter to EPA Administrator Stephen Johnson, Chairman Waxman explains why the EPA action violates the Clean Air Act and would allow the construction of a new generation of highly polluting power plants that will worsen global warming. Chairman Waxman writes that the Oversight Committee will be investigating the decision and requests copies of all communications with the White House about the permit action.

**Documents and Links**

- Letter to EPA Administrator Johnson
- Supplemental Letter to EPA Administrator Johnson
- EPA Response