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**5.2013 – Resolution Calling for the EPA to Evaluate and Publish a
State-by-State Analysis and Summary of Projected Greenhouse Emissions
Resulting from the New Source Performance Standards Introduced on
September 20, 2013, and Planned Standards for Existing Sources to be
Proposed on June 1, 2014**

WHEREAS, in his June 25, 2013, Climate Agenda speech, President Obama restated a goal of reducing Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions by 17 percent by 2020; and

WHEREAS, the President's Administration has placed emphasis on rejuvenating the manufacturing industry which relies heavily on reliable, affordable electricity; and

WHEREAS, President Obama has proposed and endorsed an "all of the above" energy portfolio; and

WHEREAS, each state can contribute to these goals in individual and unique ways consistent with their historical strengths, resources, and individual state policies and priorities; and

WHEREAS, all 50 states contribute to the common good of the United States for energy security, economic strength, and national security; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southern States Energy Board requests that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provide a transparent and detailed accounting, state-by-state, of the expected reductions of GHG emissions resulting from their proposed standards to reduce them. Specifically, the EPA should detail on a state-by-state basis, the tons of GHG emissions reductions expected and the corresponding percentage of the total 2010 GHG emissions for each state for the years 2015, 2020, and 2025. The EPA should not include in their projections any reductions attributable to other potentially responsible activities, such as market forcing of fuel switching from coal to gas-fired or other electricity generation type, or existing state Renewable Portfolio Standards (RPS) activities in place prior to this determination; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Management and Budget should contribute to and have oversight of this accounting and the procedures used for this accounting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these determinations and the methods used for computing these determinations should be completed and published in the Federal Register by December 1, 2013.