2.2018 | Urging Replacement of Clean Air Act Section 111(b) and (d) Rules and Federal Implementation Plans

WHEREAS, the Southern States Energy Board (SSEB) has worked diligently for many years on energy issues facing our country and has been on the leading edge of new technologies and pushed for ways to deliver reliable, affordable, and energy independence for the United States; and

WHEREAS, the SSEB recognizes how important coal is to the energy mix to carry the base load for power to ensure that we have reliable energy 24 hours a day 7 days a week; and

WHEREAS, coal has many uses other than an energy source and its many benefits are being researched, such as rare earth elements; and

WHEREAS, the SSEB recognizes the importance of coal and its many benefits but have seen regulations enforced that are very detrimental for the coal industry as a whole and devastating to many families and the coal states; and

WHEREAS, many coal fueled plants have been prematurely shut down and many are scheduled to follow because of regulations; and

WHEREAS, the SSEB recognizes that the Obama Administration used Federal Implementation Plans (FIPs) to force regulations on the coal industry causing the shut down and removal of the coal fueled power plants and currently has made it against the law to build new coal fueled plants in this country, which is recognized as Federal overreach, detrimental to the states, and unconstitutional and threatens the base load source for energy reliability; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southern States Energy Board members urges President Donald Trump and the United States Congress to let the states implement their own State Implementation Plans and free them of the unconstitutional FIPs that were implemented on the states without a vote by Congress, who represent the people; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Southern States Energy Board members ask for the immediate replacement of the Clean Air Act’s Section 111(b) and (d) rules on new, modified, reconstructed, and existing-power plants that were implemented.