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## STATEMENT ON SCOTUS DECISION ON EPA GREENHOUSE GAS REGULATION

Today, the Supreme Court issued its opinion in *West Virginia v. EPA*, a case challenging an Obama-era regulation that would have limited greenhouse gas emissions from existing power plants.

**Richard Revesz,** AnBryce Professor of Law and Dean Emeritus at the New York University School of Law, released the following statement on decision:

"This decision is a significant setback for environmental protection and public health safeguards. But the EPA retains the authority to regulate greenhouse gas emissions, including from power plants. No party in this case challenged that authority, which is granted by the Clean Air Act. This case challenged only the form of the regulation. The EPA still has avenues to address power sector greenhouse gas emissions, which it must do to meet its statutory obligations to regulate air pollutants that adversely affect public health and welfare."

Revesz filed an <u>amicus brief in this case</u> as an expert in administrative and environmental law, discussing the application of the "major questions doctrine."

Revesz and others at the Institute for Policy Integrity are available for interviews about the case.

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