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STATEMENT ON EXECUTIVE ORDERS PRIORITIZING COAL

Today, the Trump Administration announced a series of Executive Orders aimed at boosting the coal industry. The Orders call for a wide range of actions, including exempting some coal-fired power plants from pollution standards, increasing coal mining on public lands, usurping state authority to address climate change, and subsidizing uneconomic coal plants to prevent their retirement.

Jennifer Danis, federal energy policy director at the Institute for Policy Integrity, released the following statement:

"These Executive Orders are filled with contradictions. While the President cites an energy emergency and occasionally emphasizes support for all types of electric generation, the Orders appear to choose coal as a favored resource. The Administration has taken several actions to limit wind energy and other important generation options, undermining its energy emergency claims. And the Orders include many misstatements about coal's pollution impacts and performance during extreme winter events. These Orders ignore energy economics and existing legal requirements while degrading public health."

Danis and others from the Institute for Policy Integrity are available for interviews on these issues.

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