



**Comments Regarding the Repeal of Carbon Pollution Emission
Guidelines for Existing Stationary Sources: Electric
Utility Generating Units
Environmental Protection Agency
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Etsy is the global marketplace for unique and creative goods. Etsy works to empower creative entrepreneurs, and connect them with buyers across the globe. Etsy hosts 1.9 million active sellers¹ around the world who collectively sold \$3.25 billion worth of goods in 2017. As an online platform serving global markets, we are supportive of measures that improve grid resilience and sustainability, as they bolster our ability to serve our markets, and operate successfully over the long term.

As a company, we are working diligently to support future-oriented energy strategies. In 2017, we reaffirmed our commitment to running our business with 100% renewable electricity, and advancing energy efficiency across our operations.² We believe a shift toward renewable energy is good for business and the environment.

We are concerned that the proposed repeal of the Clean Power Plan would make it harder for renewables and other clean energy sources to compete, making it more difficult for corporate electricity buyers like Etsy to pursue renewables projects that will allow us to meet our ecological commitments. We believe that the repeal could affect our ability to plan and build for the long-term in this regard, jeopardizing the deployment of new renewable energy on the grid, and increasing investment uncertainty for large corporate electricity purchasers.

As a corporate citizen, Etsy supports the Clean Power Plan, as it bolsters our business objectives, by creating a national framework for the transition to a clean and resilient energy economy.

The repeal of the Clean Power Plan will hinder the development of a competitive renewable energy market, and has the potential to affect long-term planning and investment for our business. That's why we oppose its repeal, and urge the Environmental Protection Agency to carefully weigh the impacts of the repeal on businesses and our communities.

¹ As of December 31, 2017.

² Etsy News Blog. "[Keeping Commerce Human: Having a Positive Impact on People and Planet](#)," October 18, 2017