

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BEFORE THE IOWA UTILITIES BOARD

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Executive Secretary
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IOWA UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:)
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THE AMERICAN CLEAN ENERGY)
AND SECURITY ACT OF 2009) DOCKET NO. NOI-2009-0002

**MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY'S FILING OF A STATE
ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE MECHANISM WHITE PAPER**

On July 16, 2009, the Iowa Utilities Board ("Board") opened an inquiry on federal climate legislation as passed in the U.S. House of Representatives, H.R. 2454, the American Clean Energy and Security Act, also known as the Waxman-Markey bill. The Board opened this inquiry to receive broad public input on how the provisions of the Waxman-Markey bill could affect Iowa. The Board asked participants to answer a series of questions in the initiating Order. Comments were filed by 29 participants. On September 9, 2009, MidAmerican and other parties submitted reply comments to the responses filed by the participants. On September 28, 2009, the Board held a workshop to receive oral comments. At the workshop, the Board requested MidAmerican submit its white paper on a state alternative compliance mechanism (referred to as the "opt-out" alternative in the transcript, page 136) prior to October 19, 2009. The alternative compliance mechanism is included as Attachment A.

MidAmerican will also be providing additional comments by October 19, 2009.