STATEMENT OF U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS PRESIDENT
SACRAMENTO MAYOR KEVIN JOHNSON
ON EPA ISSUANCE OF CLEAN AIR ACT
PROPOSED REGULATIONS ON GREENHOUSE GASES

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Conference of Mayors President Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson today issued the following statement regarding EPA’s issuance of Clean Air Act new Proposed Greenhouse Gas Regulations:

“We commend President Barack Obama and the Environmental Protection Agency for their commitment to cut carbon emissions from power plants by 30 percent by 2030. The U.S. Conference of Mayors has led the way in reducing the nation’s carbon footprint through both national policy and local best practices.

“All our cities are vulnerable to our changing climate, but our coastal cities are especially vulnerable to more intense storms and, over the next century, rising sea levels. We believe that addressing climate change can also bring added benefits, such as energy independence and the creation of a whole new generation of renewable and energy efficient and conservation technologies that can transform our global economy and provide it more stability. The time to lead is now.

“For these reasons, we commend the U.S. EPA’s announcement today, and we look forward to working with Administrator McCarthy and her agency throughout the rule-making process to make sure we reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the most flexible and cost effective manner as possible.”

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