



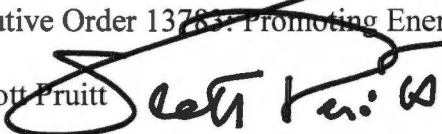
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

April 19, 2017

THE ADMINISTRATOR

**MEMORANDUM**

**RE:** Executive Order 13783: Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth

**FROM:** E. Scott Pruitt 

**TO:** Acting Deputy Administrator  
Acting General Counsel  
Acting Assistant Administrators  
Inspector General  
Acting Chief Financial Officer  
Chief of Staff  
Associate Administrators  
Acting Regional Administrators  
Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

On March 28, 2017, the President signed Executive Order 13783, "Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth." The EO established a national policy to promote the clean and safe development of our energy resources while reducing unnecessary regulatory burdens and directs federal agencies to undertake several actions to further this goal. EPA has already taken action toward implementing Sections 4 and 7 of the EO by issuing four *Federal Register* notices regarding rules specified in the EO. This memorandum serves to inform you of the next steps necessary to carry out additional requirements in the EO.

Section 2 of the EO directs the EPA to review existing regulations, orders, guidance documents and policies that potentially burden the development or use of domestically produced energy resources. The EO further requires the EPA to send a plan to carry out this review to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget by May 12, 2017, and submit a draft report with specific recommendations on deregulatory actions in the energy sector by July 26, 2017, followed by a final report due in September.

I have already communicated to all of you about the important work the agency's Regulatory Reform Task Force will be undertaking in response to EO 13777, "Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda." That work includes making recommendations about regulations that could be repealed, replaced or modified to make them less burdensome. In light of the similarities between EO 13783 and EO 13777 on regulatory review, I have asked the Task Force to lead the agency's efforts to implement Section 2 of EO 13783. Accordingly, the Task Force will consider

regulations that might burden the development or use of domestically produced energy resources and prepare the required plan and report.

As your offices conduct your planned outreach to the public regarding regulatory reform initiatives per EO 13777, I request that you also look for input regarding regulatory burdens on domestically produced energy resources and identify relevant actions to the Task Force. Such information will greatly assist the Task Force and will bolster the draft report that is due in July.

Should it be needed, Samantha Dravis, Senior Counsel and Associate Administrator for Policy, who serves as the agency's Regulatory Reform Officer, will provide any additional information. Thank you for your help with our regulatory reform initiatives.

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