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**RACHEL CARSON COUNCIL TO MARCH TO EPA, DEMAND AGENCY
RESUME INDUSTRY POLLUTION**

WASHINGTON, April 4, 2023 – On Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 12:00 pm, the Rachel Carson Council and its allies will lead a march to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to demand the agency urgently resume action on its industry pollution rules. The march will begin at Freedom Plaza at 1325 Pennsylvania Avenue NW and travel three blocks south to the EPA Headquarters at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, followed by speeches from participating partners and cosponsors and music.

The EPA, whose current administrator, Michael Regan, was appointed by President Biden, is tasked with standardizing rules for industry pollution. The Agency has delayed action or failed to act completely on eight critical statutes. These provisions are meant to regulate industry emissions of carbon, mercury, soot, smog, coal ash, and other toxins. With the final decisions on these rules delayed or unbegun, power plants are permitted to pollute their surrounding environments at dangerous levels, creating public health disasters and stoking the flames of the climate crisis. United States industrial plants are disproportionately located in low-income communities and communities of color, rendering the EPA's inaction a major environmental injustice against our vulnerable populations.

President Biden campaigned on finally addressing the climate crisis and putting environmental justice at the center of his agenda and yet his administration's EPA has failed to address critical industry pollution rules that are stalling our climate progress and harming marginalized Americans. The RCC and allies are demanding the EPA do its job and finalize these rules immediately. President Biden and his nominees need to keep their promises to protect the environment and public health. RCC President Bob Musil said, "President Biden cares deeply about the environment and health and has acted boldly before. Moving these rules forward now ought to be a no-brainer."



The RCC is joined by the original organizers, the Chesapeake Climate Action Network, as well as by Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments, Center for Biological Diversity, Environmental Integrity Project, Food & Water Watch, Third Act, Hip Hop Caucus, and other organizations in leading this action.

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The Rachel Carson Council is the national environmental organization envisioned by Rachel Carson and founded in 1965. The RCC educates, organizes, and advocates for climate justice, environmental health, and the promotion of Carson's environmental ethic of empathy for all living creatures.