

State Plans: More State Options, Lower Costs

- This chart shows some of the compliance pathways available to states under the final Clean Power Plan. Ultimately, it is up to the states to choose how they will meet the requirements of the rule.
- EPA's illustrative analysis shows that nationwide, in 2030, a **mass-based approach is less-expensive** than a rate-based approach (\$5.1 billion versus \$8.4 billion).
- Under a mass-based plan, states that anticipate continuing or expanding investments in energy efficiency have unlimited flexibility to leverage those investments to meet their CPP targets. EE programs and projects do not need to be approved as part of a mass-based state plan, and EM&V will not be required.
- For states currently implementing mass-based trading programs, the “state measures” approach offers a ready path forward.
- Demand-side energy efficiency is an important, proven strategy that states are already widely using and that can substantially and cost-effectively lower CO2 emissions from the power sector.

