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**Subject:** RE: Query from VICE News: Social cost of carbon

Hey Alex, you can attribute below to an EPA spokesperson.

"The facts are that the Obama administration's estimates and analysis of costs and benefits was, in multiple areas, highly uncertain and/or controversial.

The previous administration compared domestic costs against its estimate of global climate benefits. The proposed repeal also presents a scenario looking specifically at domestic climate impacts. EPA is tasked with protecting the environment and human health of this nation, and our alternative analysis reflects that. This administration also returns to longstanding OMB practice by using appropriate discount rates to compare apples to apples when estimating the current value of future scenarios.

EPA welcomes any and all public feedback on its proposal and the accompanying RIA. As indicated in the 175-page RIA, EPA presented a wide range of analysis and scenarios that are consistent with Presidential executive orders and long-standing Office of Management and Budget guidance on regulatory cost-benefit analyses. EPA also committed in the RIA to conduct further analysis and inform the public as necessary to get its feedback on any new modeling results or other information as part of this process."

**From:** Alex Lubben [Ex. 6]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 11, 2017 10:55 AM  
**To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Query from VICE News: Social cost of carbon

Hi Liz,

Another query for you all this morning: a think tank, Resources for the Future, noted that the Clean Power Plan repeal hints at adjustments to the social cost of carbon. Can you comment on how the calculations for that analytic tool will change with the new EPA administration?

Best,

Alex

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