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***MGA RELEASES CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE INVENTORY
AND TOOLKIT***

Washington, D.C. – The Midwest Governors Association (MGA) today released a carbon capture and storage (CCS) inventory and toolkit. These two products will help to further strengthen and expand the region’s leadership in energy production and carbon capture and storage.

The Midwest has extensive geological reservoirs for storing carbon dioxide, and has been home to pioneering work in the area of enhanced oil and gas recovery. This recovery process involves injecting carbon into oil reservoirs, allowing for increased production of otherwise unrecoverable oil supplies. To build on the region’s existing strengths, Midwestern governors agreed in November 2007 to establish a carbon management infrastructure partnership through its *Energy Security and Climate Stewardship Platform* (Platform). In order to implement the many goals of the Platform, an advisory group was charged with the development of an inventory and toolkit for CCS.

The toolkit provides background information on each issue, along with a menu of actions and potential options for states and the region to consider. The inventory provides a state-by-state analysis of statutes and regulations that could be applied toward a regional approach to the regulation of CCS. These documents will assist Midwestern states and stakeholders in addressing issues that will support the Platform’s goals of regional development of advanced coal with carbon capture and storage.

“Michigan boasts one of only three currently active carbon storage sites in North America, and we are eager to advance this industry,” said Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm, MGA chair. “While advancing environmental stewardship, this industry has the potential to create thousands of jobs throughout the Midwest.”

To view the Platform, please visit www.midwesterngovernors.org/publications.htm
To view the toolkit, please visit www.midwesterngovernors.org/publications/toolkit.pdf
To view the inventory, please visit www.midwesterngovernors.org/publications/inventory.pdf

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