

LAMAR UTILITIES BOARD RESOLVES AIR QUALITY ISSUES WITH THE STATE: Today, the Lamar Utilities Board (LUB) issued a press release announcing the terms of an agreement reached with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE). Known as a Compliance Order, the agreement resolves all outstanding air quality permit violations at the Lamar Repowering Project, a coal-fired power plant operated by the LUB on behalf of the ARPA.

Terms:

- The Compliance Order spells out the environmental compliance criteria and operational requirements for the Lamar plant to restart operations and lays out a plan to resolve the plant's air quality permit violations.
- The LUB agreed to pay \$86,800 as part of the consent order. The funds will likely be contributed to a project to benefit environmental projects in the region.
- In negotiating the Compliance Order, ARPA and the LUB worked closely with CDPHE to provide necessary data and to address all air quality violations at the plant.

Timing:

- The agreement comes after ARPA and the LUB suspended plant operations in December 2010. ARPA and the LUB had identified and self-reported exceedences for nitrogen oxide, sulfur dioxide and particulates to CDPHE.
- The LUB expects to restart the plant in a test phase in summer 2011.

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