

## **Environmental Protection Agency Regulations**

**HCR 5009** urges the Environmental Protection Agency to continue to allow state permit-writers the flexibility to evaluate power plants on a site-by-site basis when determining the best available technology for cooling water intake structures to minimize adverse environmental impacts. The resolution states that a one-size-fits-all approach mandating the use of cooling towers could cause more adverse environmental impacts (including increases in emissions of greenhouse gases and particulate matter, evaporative water loss and solid waste production) than it prevents (fish impingement and entrainment).