



Fact Sheet

CONFRONTING GLOBAL WARMING



Massachusetts: Top Power Plant Carbon Polluters

For over forty years, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has used the Clean Air Act to hold polluters accountable and successfully protect the health of millions of Americans – including our children, seniors, and the most vulnerable among us – from dozens of different air pollutants. Cleaning up our air has also protected wildlife from harmful pollution that threatens species directly and contaminates water, degrades habitats, and damages the environment.

The National Wildlife Federation, on behalf of our over four million members and supporters nationwide, stands with a broad coalition of public health, environmental, business, labor, faith, and sportsmen organizations in support of the Clean Air Act and in strong opposition to any attempts to weaken its protections. It is critical that the EPA continue its important work of reducing air pollution in this country by setting strong limits on all pollutants, including carbon pollution, as required by the Clean Air Act. It is time for our nation's polluters to finally be held accountable for their harmful air pollution that contributes to climate change.

Power Plant/Owner	Location	Carbon Emissions ¹ (MT CO ₂ e)	Mercury (Hg) Emitted ² (lbs)
Brayton Point/Dominion Energy	Somerset, MA	5,810,450	84
Mystic/Exelon	Charlestown, MA	3,767,024	No Data
Fore River Station/Exelon	Weymouth, MA	1,562,909	No Data
Salem Harbor/Dominion	Salem, MA	1,289,376	9
Millennium Power Partners/NAES	Charlton, MA	784,125	No Data
Kendall Square/Mirant	Cambridge, MA	717,058	No Data
ANP Blackstone Energy Company, LLC/ International Power America	Blackstone, MA	699,127	No Data
ANP Bellingham Energy Company, LLC/ International Power America	Bellingham, MA	690,934	No Data
Mount Tom/GDF Suez	Holyoke, MA	478,577	26
Bellingham/NextEra Energy	Bellingham, MA	433,629	No Data
1 million Metric Tons (MT) of CO₂e emissions is the equivalent of burning about 112 million gallons of gasoline.³			

¹Total 2012 emissions from EPA's Greenhouse Gas Data Tool. <http://ghgdata.epa.gov/>

²Total 2010 emissions from EPA's TRI Explorer. http://iaspub.epa.gov/triexplorer/tri_release.chemical

³Gallons of gasoline equivalency provided by EPA's Greenhouse Gas Calculator. <http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/energy-resources/calculator.html>

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Recently, the Environmental Protection Agency finalized **new air pollution standards** that will reduce dangerous mercury pollution for power plants by 91%. But the job of controlling other air pollution from these sources is far from done. Unchecked carbon pollution that causes climate change is fundamentally altering our environment and putting fish and wildlife populations and our outdoor heritage at risk.

Now the EPA is in the process of taking common-sense steps to crack down on big power plant polluters. New clean air standards limiting carbon pollution from power plants and other industrial smokestacks are essential to safeguard wildlife, improve public health, and protect our kids from dangerous air pollution by improving air quality.

Help NWF protect wildlife and our health from the impacts of dangerous air pollution and climate change visit: www.nwf.org/cleanair