

DC Circuit Slated to Hear PM NAAQS Test Case, but May Not Reach Ruling

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Bracewell's **Jeff Holmstead** told *Inside EPA* that it's "highly unlikely" the DC Circuit rules on the EPA's [greenhouse gas rule for power plants](#) before the Trump administration takes over on January 20.

It appears to be a similar scenario in unrelated litigation in the DC Circuit testing EPA's authority to reconsider particular matter (PM) and other air quality standards. The suit, *Commonwealth of Kentucky v. EPA*, focuses on EPA's rule tightening national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for PM.

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