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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR BILL DE BLASIO ON TODAY'S CALL FOR CLIMATE ACTION**

“There’s no question that climate change is an existential threat to our city, our country, and our planet. We have a moral responsibility to take action however we can. Our people are demanding no less. That’s why we’ve set ambitious goals – backed up by unprecedented policies – on the city-level, to dramatically reduce New York City’s emissions 40 percent by 2030 and 80 percent by 2050.

Fortunately, we’re not alone in setting forth a bold plan. President Obama and the EPA’s Clean Power Plan will be the biggest and most ambitious action the United States has ever taken, setting the first-ever federal limits on carbon pollution from existing plants, focusing on clean renewable energy, and enhancing efficiency – all of which are vital to protecting both our planet and our public health. As this plan is finalized in the coming days, I urge leaders around the country to join me in supporting this vital initiative and make the call for climate action now.”

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