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RALEIGH, (SGRToday.com) - It will raise the cost of energy. That's a key reason Gov. Pat M cCrory

has joined 28 other states in asking the U.S. Supreme Court to halt the Environmental Protection Agency's "Clean Power Plan" while a legal challenge makes its way through the lower courts.

According to the governor's news release, estimatese says that energy bills would go oup by 22 percent in 2020 if the plan is implemented.

President Barack Obama is a champion of the plan, which he says is key to controlling greenhouse gas emissions.

"The federal government admits that the federal power plan would have very little if any impact on climate change," said Secretary Donald R. van der Vaart of the N.C. Department of Environmental Quality in the news release.

States opposed to the president's plan had hoped the Court of Appeals would sto