
Bio of Brian J. McLean

Mr. McLean is currently Director of the Office of Atmospheric Programs, part of EPA's Office of Air and Radiation. His Office is responsible for designing and implementing emissions "cap and trade" programs, such as the acid rain program; for running EPA's voluntary climate protection programs, such as Energy Star; and for implementing the stratospheric ozone protection program. Previously, Mr. McLean served as the Director of the Clean Air Markets Division, which develops and manages trading programs to control emissions of sulfur dioxide (SO₂) and nitrogen oxide (NO_x), and assists other countries with the development of emissions trading programs. Mr. McLean led EPA staff efforts to develop the proposed Clear Skies legislation to reduce power plant emissions of SO₂, NO_x and mercury in the U.S.

Mr. McLean has been with EPA since 1972. He helped develop the Administration's acid rain legislative proposal which was enacted in 1990 as Title IV of the Clean Air Act, and was a principle negotiator of the 1991 U.S.- Canada Air Quality Accord.

Mr. McLean holds a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Lafayette College, a Master's degree in City and Regional Planning from Rutgers University, and a Doctorate in City Planning from the University of Pennsylvania.