

## NCC Member Focus

**Brad Crabtree was appointed to the NCC in 2014 and has jumped right in, taking an active role in serving on the NCC Coal Policy Committee. Brad's thorough reviews of and commentary on our "Fossil Forward" study and "Policy Parity" white paper have contributed greatly to the quality of our efforts. Thanks Brad!**

Brad Crabtree joined the Great Plains Institute in 2002, where he currently manages the Institute's fossil energy projects in carbon capture and storage and enhanced oil recovery and in electric power generation. He co-directs the National Enhanced Oil Recovery Initiative (NEORI), a coalition of energy, industrial and technology companies, labor unions, environmental organizations and state officials working to expand the capture of CO<sub>2</sub> for use in domestic oil production. Brad coordinates the CO<sub>2</sub>-Enhanced Oil Recovery Deployment Work Group of oil and gas and coal-producing states convened by the Governors of Wyoming and Montana.

Brad also helps staff three regional initiatives involving over 20 midcontinent and mid-Atlantic states that are assisting state regulators and stakeholders to evaluate their options for lowest-cost compliance with the federal Clean Power Plan to reduce carbon emissions from existing power plants.

He previously coordinated energy policy advisory groups for the Midwestern Governors Association and facilitated the Midwestern Greenhouse Gas Reduction Accord Advisory Group for six governors and the Manitoba premier. He also co-directed Powering the Plains, GPI's original flagship project that developed a comprehensive, 50-year regional blueprint for energy efficiency, renewable energy and advanced coal technologies. Brad has organized multiple overseas energy policy and technology delegations for public and private-sector leaders from the Midwest and nationally. Prior to GPI, he was project director at the Consensus Council in Bismarck, ND, managing regional flood mitigation and resource management projects.

He ranches with his wife and daughter in North Dakota, where he was a statewide candidate for Public Service Commissioner in 2010 and 2012. A graduate of the Georgetown School of Foreign Service, Brad has an MA in history from Johns Hopkins University.



### **BRAD CRABTREE** **VICE PRESIDENT FOR FOSSIL ENERGY** **GREAT PLAINS INSTITUTE**

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