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November 1, 2014

Mr. Thomas W. Johnson  
Chairman  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
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Dear Chairman Tom:

We are witnessing a political power grab of America's power grid by the Administration of President Barack Obama and his supporters. This power grab has by passed the states, their utility commissions, and the United States House and Senate

The result of this regulatory rampage has been to, through 2016, close 411 coal-fired electricity generating units (our estimate), which have provided the lowest cost electricity in America, and particularly in Ohio, for no environmental benefit. Indeed, in its May annual auction, the utilities in the PJM Interconnection, in which Ohio is located, doubled the wholesale price of the power to be traded among themselves in 2017 and 2018.

Something must be done to keep some power plants, which generate our lowest cost electricity, in existence. They will definitely be needed to provide low cost electricity to our citizens on fixed incomes and for manufactures of products that must compete in the global marketplace.

We believe that FirstEnergy's Powering Ohio's Progress Economic Stability Program is a key to maintaining a reliable and sustained supply of low cost electricity in our State.

Further, Murray Energy Corporation is a key coal supplier to FirstEnergy's Sammis Generating Station. Many Ohio coal mining and related (eleven to one multiplier) jobs depend on keeping this power plant in existence. Even more importantly, the plant is needed to maintain the reliability and affordability of electricity for Ohio's residents and manufacturers.

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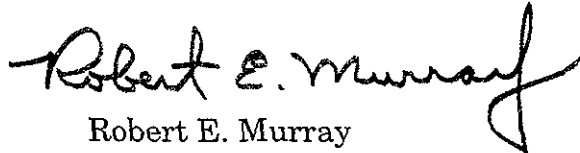
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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cc: The Honorable John Kasich



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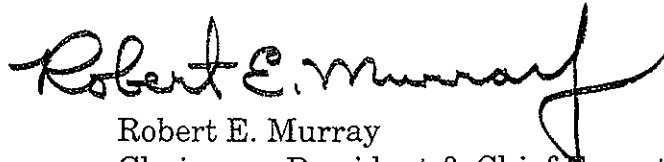
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