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I do not support Ohio's electric utilities' attempt to bail out the aging, dangerous Davis-Besse nuclear reactor, nor dirty coal plants, at ratepayers' expense. These plants are not competitive with today's market prices for electricity, and they spew radioactive and toxic pollution into our air and water. We should not have to pay more for dirty energy.

It's time to pull the plug on Davis-Besse; for decades it has experienced safety problem after safety problem--how much longer can it buck the odds before it causes a catastrophic accident?

Coal, which generates nearly 70 percent of electricity in Ohio, is known to cause major air pollution and negatively impact public health while contributing to climate disruption. Due to Ohio's heavy reliance on coal, we have some of the worst air in the nation.

Ohio's utilities' request to bail out these obsolete plants that are no longer economically viable is bad public policy. Ohio should be focused on policies that will encourage safer, cleaner and affordable clean energy technologies, not expensive and dirty nuclear and coal.

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