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Sincerely,

Mr. Les Bossinas

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Mr. Dan Sponseller

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Ms. Amber Bellamy

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Sincerely,

Dr. Eric Helt

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I reject FirstEnergy's request to bailout their plants and I hope you will as well.

Sincerely,

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Sep 16, 2015

PUCO Commissioners

Dear Commissioners,

I do not support Ohio's electric utilities' attempt to bail out their old coal plants on my dime. These plants are not competitive with today's market prices for electricity, and they spew toxic pollution into our air and water.

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Ohio's utilities' request to bail out coal plants that are no longer economically feasible is bad public policy that, in addition to costing Ohio electric customers more, will prevent Ohio from reducing dangerous emissions of carbon, soot, smog and mercury pollution.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Valentina Khoury <sierra@sierraclub.org>  
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Jessica Pacer

Swanton, OH 43558-9448  
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Mr. Earl Grove

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