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Duke ratepayers want clean energy!

We are very thankful for the retiring of the coal plant! PLEASE be responsible in planning for the replacement of it, though. Duke Energy should move forward with energy efficiency and renewables like wind and solar. Ohio ratepayers would like to see the economic development fund for New Richmond include clean energy to create jobs in the community.

We would also like to see Duke replace the Beckjord coal plant with clean energy instead of natural gas.

I suggest that a significant fraction of this fund be earmarked toward local clean energy programs, such as home weatherization and energy efficiency retrofits of schools, that will lower electricity bills and create jobs for New Richmond residents.

Also, the Commission should ensure that new businesses that locate to Duke's service territory are encouraged to fully implement energy efficiency as they build out their facilities.

Our childrens' futures depends on the wise actions we choose now.  
Thank you for your efforts and your kind attention.

We have a responsibility to provide green jobs to workers in communities affected by coal plant retirement. Duke can make this transition easier for the New Richmond community by focusing their economic development fund on clean energy.

Sincerely

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