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To Governor Kasich and the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio:

We cannot deny that renewable energy is necessary for both continued economic and societal growth. Ohio must work to re-imagine its energy resources. Continued use of out-dated and inefficient systems hurt our local environment as well as the individual consumer. We must stop bailing out old industry and preventing renewable energy from becoming readily accessible.

I urge the governor and the commission to seek new alternatives to our aging, coal run plants. By locating small firms who can produce renewable resources in Ohio the governor's office can ensure economic viability, increased tax revenue, and a healthy environment for future generations. If consumers face continued rate increases they cannot put money back into Ohio's economy. If Ohio does not invest in renewable energy production we will lose jobs to other states.

The ramifications span a variety of sectors. Please do not think of this as simply an environmental issue or a niche subject to be neglected. To update infrastructure we need more tax revenue. If Ohio cannot secure sustainable jobs and lower household costs our state will continue to decline. Ohio faces the problems of shrinking budgets and brain drain. Investing in renewable energy source will increase tax revenue and open jobs for educated individuals.

If Ohio seeks a way to remain politically, economically, and environmentally relevant renewable energy investment is a strong path forward. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Yours Sincerely.

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