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**RE: Harrison Power Plant** 

On behalf of the approximately 15,000 state wide members of the IUOE Local 18, I am writing to fully support the Harrison Power Plant proposed by Harrison Power, LLC.

The Harrison Power Plant if approved will use state-of-the-art turbine generation equipment, advanced emission control technology and burning natural gas that will allow the plant to meet or exceed all local, state and federal environmental operating standards. The plant will also have an air-cooled condenser, which dramatically reduces water usage to less than 3 percent of many similarly sized facilities. This will enable the plant to provide power and be environmentally friendly at the same time.

During the construction of the Harrison Power Plant, hundreds of skilled construction jobs, 713 direct, indirect and induced jobs will be a result of this project if approved. Harrison Power LLC has committed to utilize the Union Trades for this project which will ensure that the highest skilled, trained and safest workforce builds the power plant. On top of that, the men and women who are on that project will be from right there in Harrison and the surrounding counties in Ohio.

The Harrison County Power Plant project, if approved will join a growing list of natural gas power plants all across Ohio. All of which have been an asset to the environment, workforce and communities they are located in. The members of the IUOE Local 18 and fellow trades men and women fully support the proposed Harrison County Power plant project. We encourage the Ohio Power Siting Board to join us in support by approving the project.

Thank You,

Michael Bertolone

**IUOE Local 18 Special Representative** 

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