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Subject: Wolverine Power Supply Case #U-16000 & Consumers Energy Case#U-15996

Dear Ms. Kunkle:

There is no need for new coal fired power plants in our foreseeable future and efficiency measures can meet our energy demands for decades, save our citizens' precious energy dollars in these very difficult times, and create tens of thousands of new green jobs to stimulate immediate and long term economic health across Michigan.

The current regulations on coal fired power plants do not adequately prevent carbon dioxide from going into the atmosphere as well as fail Michigan's health and environment miserably regarding mercury, PM 2.5, and lead. The next generation does not want a dirty energy such as coal; please help us invest in alternatives like wind and solar instead.

If Michigan is going to flourish again it requires new thinking. These utilities could invest the money they propose to spend on coal in retooling vacant or soon-to-be vacant auto plants into green technology suppliers not just for the state, but for the world.

Michigan's greatest asset is the Great Lakes and the air above and around them. Polluting the air with more coal burning destroys these assets and endangers health.

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