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David Glatt
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EHS Chief's Office

RE: EPA Clean Air Rule

Dear Mr. Glatt,

We need your agency to quit stalling and move ahead with significant carbon emissions reductions in North Dakota. There are many examples in the power industry of companies who have been proactive and will meet the proposed rule. As usual, in the land of 10,000 oil spills, most of the effort is centered on complaining, it is time to move ahead. I saw some news articles relative to the meetings your agency has been holding regarding the EPA rule, with speakers saying that the rule affects everyone in the room. That is true, but what you guys apparently don't want to acknowledge is that the rule affects everyone on this planet, with the vast vast majority of people being positively affected by the carbon emission reductions needed.

Mr. Glatt, you like to speak about the EPA rules being catastrophic rules. Global warming caused by the fossil fuel industry is catastrophic.

The technology for carbon capture from coal power plants is there and should be implemented without further stalling. With all the deep wells in this state their should be no excuse. True, there are many green industry power sources the coal industry doesn't want to compete with, green industries who employ more people and pay better. It is time for the polluters to pay the true cost of their product. It is time for their leaders to move forward as the time of law suits against them for damages is coming sooner than you think. Other states have been moving ahead for some time, and the power company employees in those states are much better protected employment wise than those in this state.

Sincerely,



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