

Dear Sirs and Madams of the Public Utility Commission,

I am writing to advise you not to pursue a power plant or hyperscale data center in Cambria Township on an abandoned deep mine at high risk of mine fire and subsidence in proximity to my house.

The report from “Team PA” you commissioned acknowledges risks at this location, yet still includes it as a potential site. I see many others in coal regions that are likely undermined.

It’s not clear that any of the authors of that report have ever visited the site or our community. I’m absolutely shocked that you spent taxpayer dollars on this report. What a waste of money.

We would love further mine remediation of sites like these, but not to host some Kaiju power plant/data center combo. We do not want to be part of the vast, toxic industrial park proposed by this report.

We are modest, working class residential and small commercial customers of the PJM grid. Most of all, coal and industrial towns have paid the environmental price of reckless carpet-bagging tycoons who have no interest in our well-being or the environment.

I would support these proposals in proximity to Governor Shapiro’s house or elsewhere in the bucolic enclaves of Bucks, Montgomery, Delaware, and Chester Counties where the richest zip codes are. Perhaps the surrounding states who enjoy the PJM grid could host their own power generation on the National Mall, or Baltimore’s Waterfront, or down the Jersey Shore, or in the Upper West Side.

Our view from our backyard is curated to include forsythia, rose of sharon, blue junipers and wildflowers. Last year, I build a patio to sit and look up at the stars, not smokestack plumes.

I propose another alternative to the plan outlined in this report: **print it out and shove it.**

We don’t want more power plants in our communities.

With all disappointment in my government,

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