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Comments on WV 2018-2022 Energy Plan

I wasn't able to actually see the new plan to comment on, but in looking at the presentations several things leap out at me. First, the southern coal fields appear to be almost dead. West Virginia needs to come up with a plan to employ these workers. The state also needs to make sure the people in the southern part of the state are aware of the statistics and opinions in the presentations. They are being led on to think the southern coal fields are coming back and by these presentations one can see that they aren't. With gas and the remaining coal up north it looks like wind and solar are the best choices for employment in the south, but it appears the state is not supporting solar letting tax breaks end and not following the last plan. If you are not aware of the success of Solar Holler suggest you check out this Shepherdstown based company. Also, it is stated that new pipelines are needed to export the shale gas. These pipelines are unsafe and ecologically hazardous. We will be trading the long term survival of the state for profits bound for out of state.

The announcement of the MOA with China was highly publicized except of course that the actual MOA has not been released. I don't see anyway one could comment on this energy plan without knowing what the MOA contains. This MOA must be released, evaluated and included in the energy plan and allow for more comments.

I appreciate the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely

Tim Ross