



## Industrial Energy Consumers of Pennsylvania

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August 23, 2018

The Honorable Congressman Mike Doyle  
United States House of Representatives  
2637 East Carson Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15203

Re: Opposition to Costly Proposed Bailout of Coal and Nuclear Power Plants

We are writing today to voice our concern about the Administration's consideration of energy policies that would provide a financial bailout for specific economically uncompetitive power plants. The billions of American taxpayer dollars it would take to financially support otherwise non-competitive facilities would alter the existing marketplace at the expense of consumers and businesses.

Federal bailouts of companies that are unable to compete in today's energy markets should not be part of our national energy strategy. Instead, we should let the market work to provide affordable and reliable electricity. Our global energy leadership is proof that American innovation and free markets are providing this energy and are advancing energy self-reliance.

We believe that federal government action in this area should focus on policies that assist in mitigating cyber-attacks throughout the grid, increasing domestic energy development of cost effective sources and enhancing our energy infrastructure. Policies that provide a financial bailout to select elements of the larger energy generation infrastructure do not advance a national energy strategy.

We ask you to oppose any efforts to bail out coal and nuclear facilities. We'd be happy to discuss this matter in greater detail with your offices.

Sincerely,

Rod E. Williamson  
IECPA Executive Director

IECPA is a trade organization formed in 1982 by large, energy-intensive customers with one or more facilities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. IECPA is the recognized voice of large energy consumers in Pennsylvania and played a critical role in the restructuring of both the electric and natural gas industries. IECPA supports and promotes competitive energy markets and regulatory structures that facilitate consumers' use of these markets.