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March 19, 2009

Governor Jennifer M. Granholm
George W. Romney Building
111 S. Capitol Ave.
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Governor Granholm:

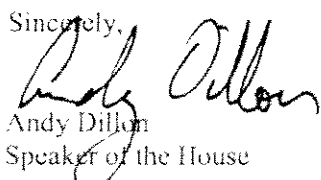
We are writing to express our concern about the change in direction of Michigan's energy policy as affected by Executive Directive 2009-02, which suspended the permitting and construction of new coal-fired power plants in Michigan.

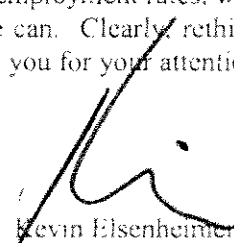
When the 94th Legislature undertook the task of reforming P.A. 141 and crafting a comprehensive energy policy for the 21st Century, many important principles guided the process, including expanding sources of renewable energy, developing a statewide energy efficiency plan, and updating the state's aging base load power plant capacity. While all important in their own right, no factor loomed as large over the deliberation as the prospect for expanded job creation and economic growth that these changes would facilitate. As a result, a broad coalition representing business and labor worked hand-in-hand with legislators of both parties as well as the Administration in crafting this multi-faceted proposal that you signed into law.

With the issuance of ED 2009-02, we are concerned that this central goal of the legislation, namely job creation, may be compromised or at the very least stalled in a time when Michigan can least afford to move slowly. By delaying the permitting process for construction of new base load power plants in the state, the state is in a sense renegeing on the promise of thousands of new construction jobs for Michigan residents. While the stated motivation for ED 2009-02 may be admirable, we feel that the urgent need to create jobs in Michigan trumps most all other priorities during this time of economic crisis.

Therefore, we respectfully ask that you reconsider this shift in energy policy. Though we may not be able to control all the factors that have driven Michigan's unemployment rates, we have an obligation to use the tools at our disposal to affect the change that we can. Clearly, rethinking the policy set forward in ED 2009-02 is something you can control. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Andy Dillon
Speaker of the House


Kevin Elsenheimer
Minority Leader

(Additional signatures attached)

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