

STOP THE ENERGY BILL

**Hon.
US Senate
Washington, DC 20510**

Dear Senator

I am writing to urge you to oppose the energy bill currently in a Senate-House conference committee, and to please take a leadership role in filibustering this measure to ensure the defeat of this anti-environmental waste of taxpayer money.

The August 14 blackout brought new attention to the nation's fragile electrical grid, and new momentum for Congress to pass an energy bill. But passing the wrong bill would be worse than doing nothing—and this is the wrong bill. It would transfer billions of dollars from hard-working taxpayers to giant energy companies. It would reward the economically-failed nuclear power industry by providing federal assistance to build new reactors, and perhaps even fund an unnecessary new reactor to produce hydrogen—the most expensive, inefficient method of producing this material. It would end Congressional oversight of the Price-Anderson Act, by mandating its permanent reauthorization. It poses new threats to the Outer Continental Shelf. As written, it does little to nothing to prevent future Enrons nor to expand clean renewable energy supplies. And none of these steps would do the things necessary to bolster the electrical grid.

If Congress wants to tackle the difficult problem of stabilizing the grid and ensure adequate delivery of electricity, it should do so in a separate measure—not one larded with taxpayer giveaways to special energy interests.

This energy bill is fundamentally and irretrievably flawed, and is likely to become even worse in conference. It would send our national energy policy in the wrong direction for decades. Please take every step possible to stop this ill-considered legislation.

Sincerely

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