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Dear Director Glatt,

I am very satisfied with the current air quality in North Dakota. I think it would be wasteful to mandate further controls.

As one of the over 14,000 North Dakotans that works in or supports the lignite industry, I am writing to you in support of the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) State Implementation Plan for Regional Haze. Coal has been and will continue to provide the source of power we can depend on, and it should not be overly burdened with costly and ineffective regulations.

I understand DEQ may be under pressure to impose new controls on power plants, even though power plants are not the primary cause of visibility impairment and new controls would not meaningfully improve visibility. Therefore, I urge support for the implementation plan developed by the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) that ensures our region continues to benefit from clean and clear air along with reliable, affordable electricity supply, today and in the future.

Sincerely,

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