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Turning On Citizen Power

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Want to stop global warming? Improve health? Clean up the air and water? Save money? **Stop Coal.**

Why?

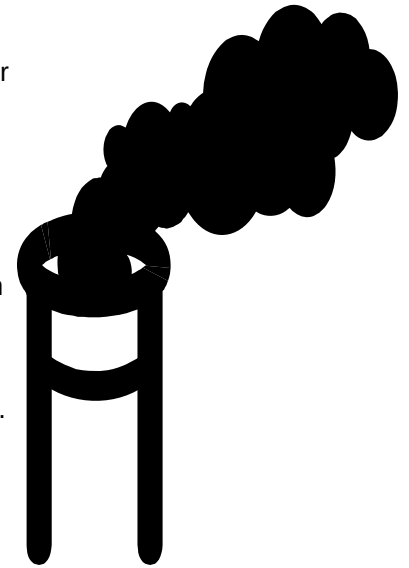
Because Indiana's over reliance on this fossil fuel makes Indiana first in the nation in per capita carbon dioxide emissions, one of the major causes of global warming.

Because fine particle pollution from power plants shortens the life of almost 900 Hoosiers each year, and contributes to over 100 cancer deaths and close to 1500 heart attacks in Indiana each year.

Because Hoosiers lose \$5 billion annually in lost productivity and illness associated with fine particle pollution from burning coal.

Because Indiana has advised against consuming fish from all 35,673 miles of its rivers and 47,806 acres of its lakes due to the risks of mercury contamination from coal plants.

Because mercury and particulate emissions from coal plants pose a significant threat to our children's physical and mental health, and global warming threatens their future.



How?

We call for a moratorium on new coal-fired power plants and we implement a Renewable Electricity Standard. The proposed Renewable Electricity Standard, **House Bill 1102 authored by State Representative Dave Crooks**, calls for 10% of Indiana's electricity to come from sources such as wind, solar, hydroelectric power and energy crops by 2018.

26 states have Renewable Electricity Standards, and 15 other states are deliberating in their legislatures.

A Renewable Electricity Standard would create thousands of jobs in Indiana, bring in billions in economic development to Indiana, create savings for ratepayers, and strengthen Indiana's utility sector by diversifying it.

How do we meet our expanding electrical needs?

We cut consumption by using electricity more efficiently.

Implementing efficiency costs half of what it costs to build new coal-fired power plants, which saves us billions of dollars in electric rates, and reduces pollution.

Implementing energy efficiency can easily reduce Indiana's demand for electricity by 1.5% per year and will also create over 800 net jobs per year for Hoosiers in the construction, manufacturing, retail and services sectors.

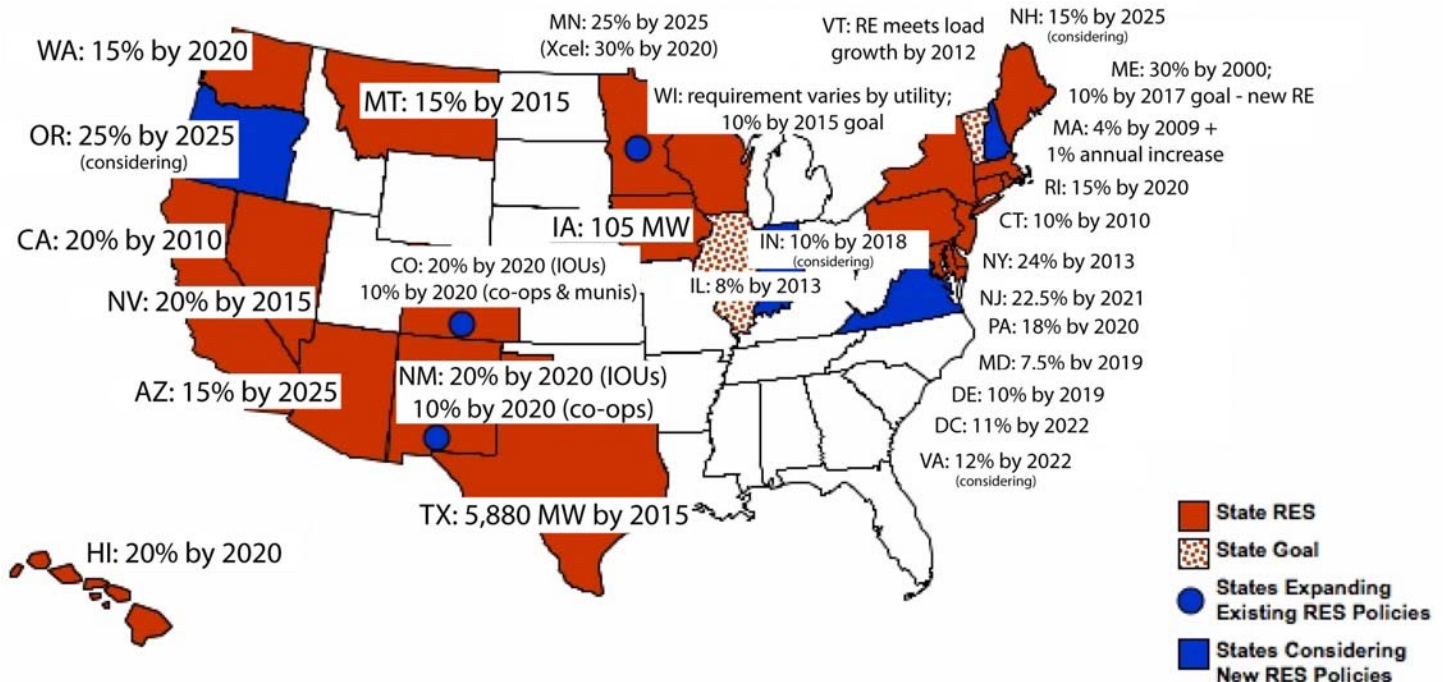
What can I do?

Make your voice heard. Polls show that the American people are very concerned about global warming. What's lacking is the political will to do what needs to be done.

If enough Hoosiers make clear that they are not willing to gamble our nation's future, our children's future, those who wish to lead will find the political will to do the right thing. They will do what it takes to secure our future, calling for a moratorium on coal and embracing the worthwhile initiatives that can help undo the damage caused by CO₂.

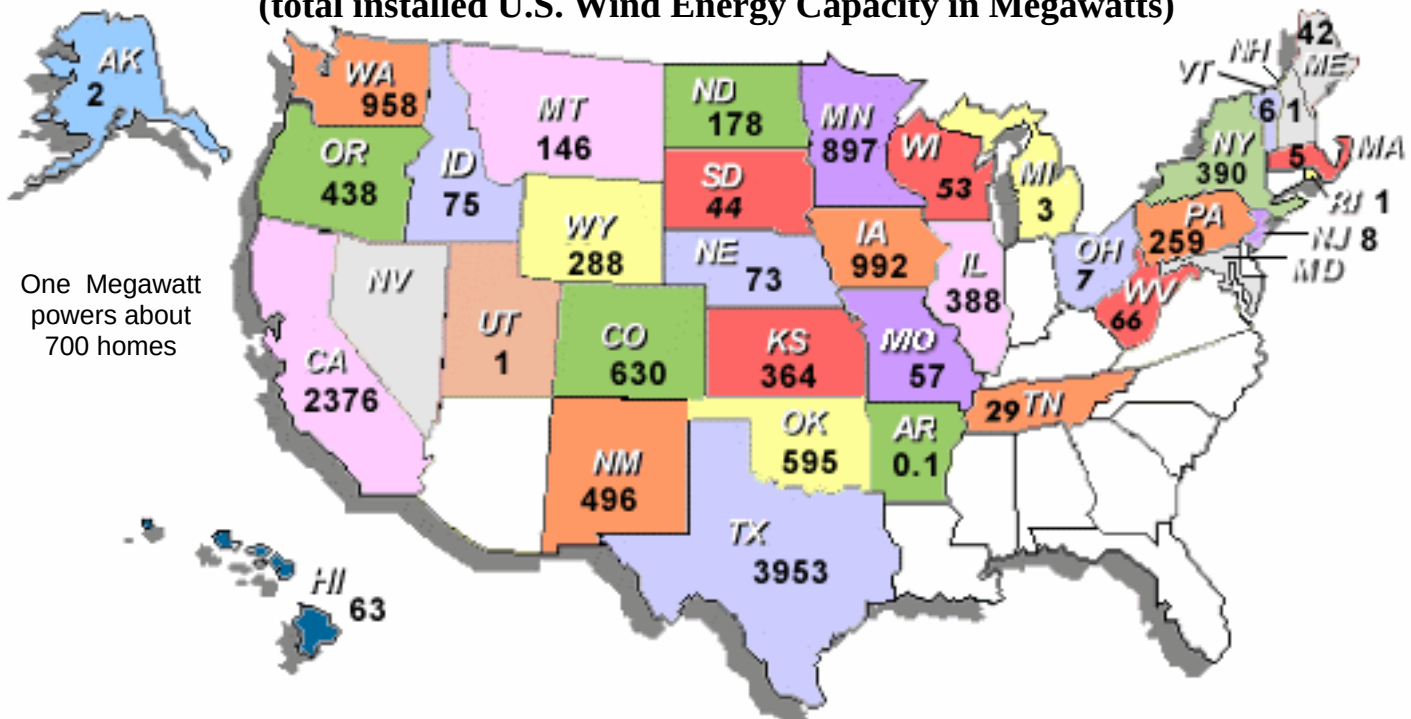
Word-of-mouth and the Internet are the most powerful and effective forms of communication today. Contact your federal, state and local representatives. **Demand a MORATORIUM ON COAL. Demand a RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY STANDARD. Demand ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS.** Start a word-of-mouth epidemic, talk to everyone you know, put it on your blog, YouTube, MySpace...

States with a Renewable Energy Standard in 2007



State of Wind Power Development in 2007

(total installed U.S. Wind Energy Capacity in Megawatts)



Take Action!

Tell your State Senator and Representative to support House Bill 1102, a Renewable Electricity Standard of 10% by 2018!

Your State Legislators:

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