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Dear Ms. Riggleman:

My name is Frederick Andreae. My mailing address is: 367 Overall Rd., Bentonville, VA 22610. My telephone number is: (540) 635-4315.

I am writing with regard Dominion Virginia Power's proposed Warren County Power Station. I am very concerned about the potential harmful effects of the large natural-gas fired power plant that Dominion is proposing to build just a few miles north of Shenandoah National Park.

I participated in the public hearings for Competitive Power Ventures' small new power plant at this location in 2004 which the Air Board approved. Dominion Virginia Power's proposed power plant is more than double the size of the plant the Board then approved. This doubling in size will double the potential pollutants dumped into the air at the Park's northern entrance.

The increase in emissions from such a large new plant will carry polluted air and acid rain into the Shenandoah National Park. In its earlier decision the Air Board required that all of the CPV plant's harmful emissions would be offset by reductions in such emissions from other sources in close proximity to the plant. After the doubling the size of the plant, Dominion says it is unable to obtain all of the necessary offsets from the surrounding area. Now the company wants to take offsets from sources that may be many miles away. Such offsets may benefit the country at large, but will not mitigate the harm to the Shenandoah National Park.

Current air quality at Shenandoah National Park is already well below where it should be, severely limiting views and damaging plants and wildlife. The Air Board must see that this national treasure is protected from further degradation. If the adverse impacts from the power plant to Shenandoah cannot be mitigated, then the Air Board should deny Dominion's application. The size of the plant Dominion builds should be limited to one whose harmful emissions can be 100 percent offset from other sources at the north of end Shenandoah National Park.

Sincerely,



Board Member, Shenandoah National Park Trust