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Dear Mr. Brown:

I wish to comment on the Coal Ash Pollution Prevention Act.

My education and experience in environmental science and several remediation actions may give me some ability to suggest changes or provide options.

If the Coal Ash Pollution Prevention Act, passed last year does not guarantee that these rules will be strong and enforceable then these actions should be added:

- Move away from coal fired power plants
- Require funds for cleanup be put into secure escrow accounts, public funds should not be allowed for this work
- Make sure surface and ground water is not polluted with coal ash ponds and dumps
- Prioritize closing and cleaning up of polluting coal ash sites near communities of color on any community
- Fast-track cleanup at the riskiest coal ash sites
- Create strong safeguards against coal ash dust to protect communities and workers
- Thoroughly vet coal ash site closure options
- Include meaningful public participation in all coal ash decisions

Thank you for hearing my concerns.

Sincerely,

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