

To: Vectren CEO Carl Chapman  
From: Evansville residents

Dear Mr. Chapman,

As Evansville residents and Vectren customers, **we ask that Vectren be a leader in our region and present the community with a plan that responsibly transitions over time away from coal and to clean, renewable energy.**

Your company's stated values commit Vectren to "contribute to the social, economic and environmental sustainability of our communities." Yet Vectren customers pay the highest electric bills in the state and the cost of burning coal continues to rise precisely because Vectren has kept aging coal plants running rather than retiring them.

**We ask that you avoid the \$240 million in impending costs associated with reducing water pollution from your coal plants by including in your 20-year plan a retirement date for Brown and Culley that is before December 2023.**

As a responsible community partner, you should present the community with a plan to transition away from harmful, polluting, and expensive coal and avoid further investments in fossil fuels. We are concerned that your plan will benefit your extensive natural gas financial interests rather than the communities you serve.

**We ask that you do not build a new natural gas plant to replace your coal plants, and instead replace with energy efficiency, renewable energy and battery innovation.**

The recent national investigation into Super Polluter coal plants in the United States demonstrated that Evansville residents are unfairly burdened by pollutants from coal-burning plants - including three owned by Vectren.

**We ask that Vectren lead our community to a cleaner and healthier future with a plan to eventually reach 100 percent clean energy, a commitment already made by 19 U.S. cities and many companies.**

No one suggests this transition will happen overnight, but Vectren can lead our region and move beyond coal to clean energy, create jobs, and attract businesses that increasingly demand clean energy.

Sincerely,

Ohio River Valley Beyond Coal to Clean Energy Team