



MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ARIC NESBITT
MAJORITY FLOOR LEADER

December 9, 2016

Patricia Poppe
President and CEO, CMS Energy
1 Energy Plaza
Jackson, MI 49201

Dear Ms. Poppe,

It is difficult for me express how disappointed I am in Entergy and Consumers Energy's plans to prematurely terminate your Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for the Palisades Nuclear Power Plant.

This decision, which will ultimately lead to the closing of the Palisades Nuclear Power Plant, is not just a sucker punch to the hard-working employees at Palisades and to my community, but it also puts Michigan's energy future at tremendous risk. As you know, Palisades currently produces over 800 megawatts of carbon free electricity and is licensed to operate into the 2030s and has a PPA with Consumers Energy through 2022. It is a stable and important source of electricity that benefits our entire state.

As my colleagues and I in the Legislature continue to work on energy legislation to protect electric reliability in Michigan, it is very concerning to me that Consumers Energy would be party to a decision which puts our state's electric reliability even further into question. I would urge you to reconsider this decision, not only on behalf of my constituents, but on behalf of all Michiganders who will be negatively impacted by this decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Aric Nesbitt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Aric Nesbitt
State Representative
District 66