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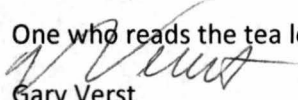
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To whom it may concern

Kentucky's legislature's decision to keep Kentucky in the Dark Ages and allow it's power companies to essentially own the sun is quite consistent with its "knack" for doing the right thing the wrong way. Once again they allowed the lobbyists to dictate the decision making process, convincing our Representatives that their way was the best way for Kentucky's citizens. They were wrong (again) to trust people payed to coerce.

Kentucky benefits the best by avoiding monopolies. If the power companies want to use coal, let them; and admittedly, until we get better batteries, central power generating stations are required; but even they can see what way the wind is blowing and our state allowed them to blow it as hard or softly as they wish in regards to sustainable, non polluting power sources. It was very short sighted to not allow private Kentuckians to put their money into sustainable clean power to supplement the power plants 24 hour presence. Allowing the power companies to dictate the terms of what any environment loving Kentuckian can do to help decrease the damage the fossil fuel power plant causes in our state really is allowing the fox to rule the henhouse. If truly these companies were "worried" that private solar production would substantially increase the cost of power to the people, would they really be planning to make solar generating stations on their own? Other states have managed to work with its citizens wishing to assist the grid in its power production in a manner whereby the cost of doing business makes the investment reasonable; must our state be an outlier on everything?

One who reads the tea leaves better than Frankfort,

  
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