



BLACKLICK CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION, Inc

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Congressman Dan Meuser
326 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Congressman Matt Cartwright
1034 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: Support for H.R. 4735, the Mine Affected Community Energy and Environmental Act

Dear Congressmen Mauser and Cartwright:

As a long-time member of the Blacklick Creek Watershed Association, I enthusiastically support this legislation. We have many, many refuse piles in our watershed and the only thing that is positive about removing these environmental disasters is the coal refuse reclamation being done by the energy facilities.

We commend your leadership on this issue critical to the health, safety and environmental costs that local communities have to try to mediate which is impossible if there is nothing that can be done with these piles.

We support the Mine Affected Community Energy and Environment Act, H.R. 4735 and urge the United States Congress to pass this legislation encouraging the continued efforts of coal refuse reclamation to energy facilities to address the legacy of coal mining by restoring our environment while providing an alternative source of electricity and thousands of jobs.

Respectfully,

Janis Long
President, Blacklick Creek Watershed Assn.

cc: Congressman Glenn Thompson