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The Honorable Dan Meuser Pennsylvania 9th District 326 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Congressman Meuser,

We are writing as the Commissioners of the County of Northumberland, Pennsylvania in support of H.R. 4735, which would promote economic advantages for the County residents, Mt. Carmel Cogen, Inc. is located in our County and is struggling with the increase of competition from gas turbine plants. In fact, they were forced to lay of eighteen employees in the most recent past. They provide an excellent employment opportunity for local residents and improves our local economy.

The legislation will allow Mt. Carmel Cogen, Inc. to continue the coal refuse reclamation which would address the restoration of our land and water while providing a much needed energy source. In conclusion, we ask for your support for the legislation on behalf of the citizens of the County of Northumberland.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Shoch, Chairman

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