

Emergency Climate Response: *People Demanding Action Now!*

*2 quick actions
to avert climate
catastrophe!*

We call on Attorney General Roy Cooper to enforce Duke Energy's corporate charter – its permission to operate in North Carolina – and require it to stop:

1. Burning fossil fuels;
2. Blocking competition; and
3. Polluting state government.



Cartoon by V.C. Rogers

We also call on Governor Pat McCrory to plan ahead for the inevitable closure of coal-fired power plants by appointing a "green ribbon panel" to help coal plant employees and their communities transition to the growing sector of green energy jobs.

***This is the time.
Get in the game and press
for real leadership to slow
climate change!***

The climate crisis poses a severe and accelerating hazard to the wellbeing of every North Carolinian, especially the economically disadvantaged. Leading scientists warn that humanity must immediately begin making dramatic reductions in carbon pollution.

ACT NOW

1. Contact AG Roy Cooper and urge him to require Duke Energy to phase out fossil fuels while there is still time:
 - (919) 716-6400 (between 9-5, M-F)
 - ncago@ncdoj.gov (Subject: "Help Slow the Climate Crisis")
 - Tweet @RoyCooperNC
2. Sign our green jobs petition to Gov. McCrory: bit.ly/1MAjAeh. Tell him to prepare for a just transition away from fossil fuels!

Leading climate scientists now say that we could see a 10-foot sea level rise in the next 50 years, which, along with worsening weather extremes, could make most coastal areas unlivable within a generation unless dramatic reductions in carbon pollution begin right away.

Duke Energy executives continue to make climate change worse by planning to operate coal-fired power plants for decades – and by continuing to build fracking gas-burning plants that can be even worse than coal in causing climate disruption.

The use of coal-fired electricity, with its multiple hazards, is in rapid decline in much of the US. But not in the Carolinas. Now is the time for this state to phase out coal plants and begin the inevitable transition to distributed, renewable energy that will add to the thousands of jobs already being created by the clean energy revolution.

“This is the biggest threat the planet faces...If we get sea level rise of several meters, all coastal cities become dysfunctional.”

- Dr. James Hansen, former chief climate scientist, NASA



Duke Energy is in violation of its corporate charter due to persistent criminal activity, by fouling the state's air, land and water, by penalizing low-income customers, polluting our state government, and by holding back the clean energy revolution in this state in order to maintain monopoly control.

For decades, Duke Energy executives have used deceptive public relations and their corporate influence over civic and political officials to maintain control over decision-making and thus maintain their monopoly business model, which is “build plants and raise rates.”

We are calling on Attorney General Roy Cooper to exercise his constitutional authority and duty to investigate our complaint and rein in Duke Energy on behalf of the People of North Carolina.

Replacing coal with renewable power must also protect Duke Energy workers through a just transition to clean energy jobs. NC WARN has proposed a plan for Gov. McCrory to bring clean jobs to communities living with coal-power plants.

The People of North Carolina have the civic and moral duty to alter the path of this Charlotte-based corporation. Duke Energy is the largest electricity corporation in the world and the largest utility polluter in the US. Changing its business plan could be a climate game-changer.

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