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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about state planning. As the Soviet Union made clear central planning can be disastrous for efficiency, cleanliness, effectiveness and overall well-being of a society. This is particularly true when planning decisions are based on personal connections with those benefiting. Your recent plan written by Mr Murray (a clear beneficiary) to impose inefficiency on the energy market using DPA and FPA is a perfect example. The deep connections between your administration and coal executives are well documented with cover-up attempts such as not reporting Mr Craft's basketball game gift to Adm Pruitt not withstanding. By propping up failing, outdated plants at our expense you pollute our country, discourage innovation and make energy more expensive- the exact opposite of Obama's successful government program supporting Solyndra.

Please assure me that you will allow failing coal plants to fail.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our dynamic economy.

Sincerely, Eric Babson