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ATTENTION: ONRR-2012-0004, RIN 1012-AA13

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Re: ONRR-2012-0004, RIN 1012-AA13

Dear Director Gould,

I am aware that 40% of the coal mined in the United States, comes from public lands and that the ONRR subsidizes this production while the coal companies shield themselves from paying proper royalties. Therefore I support the Interior Department's efforts to close the loopholes that let the coal industry pay such tiny royalty fees.

I truly hope that when coal prices increase and cause the price of utilities to increase exponentially, cleaner energy companies will be able to step forward with better prices and thereby convert the nation to cleaner energy. Thank you.

With utmost conviction and sincerity,

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