**Sample Letter Template for OMA Members**

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The Honorable \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Ohio House of Representatives

77 S. High Street, Mailroom

Columbus, OH 43215

**RE: Vote No on Nuclear Power Plant Bailout -- House Bill 6**

Dear Representative \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

On behalf of COMPANY NAME, which employs INSERT number of employees in Ohio, I am writing to express my opposition to House Bill 6, legislation that would impose new charges on electricity consumers in order to subsidize uneconomic power generation facilities.

As a manufacturer and employer, I have numerous concerns regarding HB 6. Among them are the following:

* There would be multiple new costs, and new forms of costs, for manufacturers and other Ohio consumers resulting in an estimated $300 million in energy expenses every year – and, as the bill is currently written, forever.
* The customer-financed bailout of failing power plants would distort power markets which have been delivering cost-savings and innovation. This would make Ohio less competitive, and less competitive regionally.
* The bill lacks transparency, clarity and certainty. It is unclear who would receive HB 6’s subsidies, or how manufacturers could be exempted from the bill’s new fees, exposing companies like mine to unknown risk.
* In spite of what supporters of the bill contend, HB 6 does not create savings by eliminating efficiency and renewable program riders.

The bill contains nothing to protect customers. Instead the bill protects investors who own nuclear power generation assets. The bill also protects utility companies against lost revenue.

The ratepayer-funded bailout and the associated new fees proposed by HB 6 would move Ohio in the wrong direction, unwinding two decades of gains from increased competition due to deregulation of Ohio’s electricity markets.

For these reasons, I urge you to oppose HB 6.

Sincerely,

Your Name

Title

Company Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Phone Number

E-mail