

Dominion Virginia Power: Global Warming and Dirty Energy Starts Here

Dominion

- Dominion is the largest corporate polluter of toxic pollution in Virginia. (1)
- Dominion is the third largest publicly traded utility, in terms of market capitalization, in the United States. (2)
- Dominion owns more than 40 power plants around the country, most using dirty coal, nuclear, or oil. (3)
- Invests very little in energy efficiency and renewable energy.

Wise County, VA (Dirty Coal)

- Planned coal plant
- 400 more heavy and dangerous coal trucks a day going through small towns like St. Paul, VA
- more mercury and global warming pollution,
- unknown changes to the precious Clinch River, and more smog and acid rain causing pollution in our air.

Northern Virginia Piedmont and Mountains (Destructive Power Line)

- Planning to deface one of the most historic and protected landscapes in America with towers standing up to 16 stories tall and requiring a 50-200 foot wide right-of-way.

Chesapeake, VA (Dirty Coal)

- Dominion promised to install modern pollution controls at its Chesapeake plant, but instead is buying coal from Indonesia and Columbia. (4)

Salem, MA and Brayton Point, MA (Dirty Coal)

- 43,000 asthma attacks and 159 premature deaths are linked to two Dominion Coal Power Plants, according to the Harvard School of Public Health (5)
- Salem, MA uses coal that from Drummond coal mines in Columbia linked to killings of union organizers (6)

North Anna, VA (Dangerous Nuclear)

- Dominion is planning a massive and expensive expansion of the plant. They plan to add at least one more reactor.
- Dominion trespassed on local citizen's land by illegally stringing fiber optic line. (7)

Millstone, CT (Dangerous Nuclear)

- Instead of paying their fair share, Dominion sued the town of Millstone to shirk their responsibility to pay millions of dollars of property tax.
- Instead of building a cooling system, Dominion siphoned water from Mount Hope Bay into the power plant then released it back into the bay at temperatures as high as 95 degrees, killing many of the fish. (8)

Chesterfield, VA (Dirty Coal)

- Among the 50 worst coal burning plants for global warming and acid rain pollution in the country. (9)

STAND UP FOR SMART ENERGY SOLUTIONS!

- Call Tom Farrell, Dominion's CEO at 804-819-2112 and Governor Kaine at 804-786-2211 and tell them that you want smart energy solutions, like energy efficiency and renewable energy for Virginia.
- Get Involved:
 - Invest in energy efficiency at your home: Use a long lasting compact fluorescent light bulb.
 - Go to sierraclub.org/metrodc/volunteer.asp to sign up to volunteer and stay informed.
- Hold a house party: It is easy. We provide a toolkit and a video. You have a party with your friends. Go to [insert URL]

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