

# TAKE ACTION NOW!

**H**elp send a message to State Legislators and Governor Pritzker that keeping your power affordable and reliable is important to you. You can take action now to send a letter to let them know you oppose the proposed legislation mandating closure of coal-fueled power plants by 2035.

Plants like the highly efficient Prairie State Energy Campus should be exempt from such legislation given it is only 10 years into its expected 30-plus year life. We oppose legislation that reduces grid reliability, creates a dependency on energy from neighboring states, exports good-paying energy jobs and tax base across state lines, and increases our rates by 20 to 25 percent.

By 2035, cooperatives will still have \$188 million in long-term debt owed on the Prairie State Energy Campus. That debt, coupled with the cost of replacement energy and capacity, could result in increased costs to our consumer-members.

Menard Electric Cooperative is committed to keeping energy affordable and reliable while we invest in a cleaner energy future, but we cannot let policy get ahead of technology. Let's work towards improving and expanding that technology before we reliably power the grid with no carbon emissions.

To find a link where you can submit a digital letter visit [www.menard.com/takeaction](http://www.menard.com/takeaction). Or you may return the form here to our office without delay and we will submit a letter on your behalf.

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Return by mail to: Menard Electric Cooperative, PO BOX 200, Petersburg, IL 62675 or email us the same information at [info@menard.com](mailto:info@menard.com)

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*I authorize Menard Electric Cooperative to communicate on my behalf regarding Illinois' energy challenges.*

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

