

RESOLUTION

09-03

A RESOLUTION ON GLOBAL WARMING AND CLIMATE CHANGE

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon, Indiana understands that the US Congress and President Barack Obama will address the issue of global warming and climate change and by taking such action could impact the electric rates of consumers in Indiana.

WHEREAS, The City of Lebanon, Indiana understands the importance of addressing global warming and the resulting health implications on societies throughout the world and supports efforts to increase energy efficiency and renewable energy, but maintains that clean coal must be part of a diversified power supply.

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon, Indiana believes that as a nation and state with traditionally cost competitive energy prices, we cannot afford to close down all of the existing coals-fired generation because the victims of such a strategy will be consumers, business, and industry and the economy as a whole.

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon, Indiana believes the overall goal of federal legislation should be long-term in nature with a clear time frame, and allow the economy and the industry the necessary time to transition to the changes that lie ahead.

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon, Indiana supports a policy that emphasizes a cap and trade approach that places a declining limit on emissions over several years and allows utilities to meet the cap by reducing emissions or purchasing emissions allowances from others.

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon, Indiana supports a cap and trade system that focuses on an emission allocation system and not an auction process or carbon tax. Emission allowances need to be allocated at no cost to all existing coal-fired facilities, as well as future coal-fired facilities under construction. Since the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, this approach has been successful in reducing SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> emissions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

Section I. That the City of Lebanon, Indiana concerned about the rising cost of electricity and the financial impact of potential climate change policy on its citizens and


Section II. The City of Lebanon, Indiana hereby requests the citizens of the town/city to contact our Members of Congress to support a CO<sub>2</sub> cap and trade approach that has a no cost allocation system that addresses global warming and reduces emissions of carbon dioxide without causing an unreasonable burden on the Indiana electric consumer.

Senator Richard Lugar (202) 224- 4814 senator\_lugar@lugar.senate.gov

Senator Evan Bayh (202) 224- 5623 http://bayh.senate.gov/contact/email/

Congressman Steve Buyer (202) 225- 5037  
http://www.stevebuyer.house.gov/contact.htm

APPROVED by The Lebanon City Council this 13 day of APRIL, 2009

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor - ~~John W. Easley~~ ~~PRO TEM~~  
RICHARD ROBERTSON

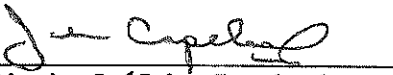
\_\_\_\_\_  
President - ~~Dick Robertson~~

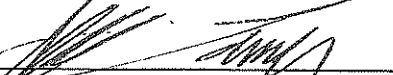
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
District 1 - Mike Kincaid

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
District 2 - Keith Campbell

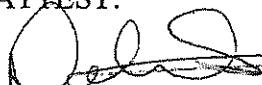
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
District 3 - Brent Wheat

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
District 4 - Steve Large

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
District 5 - John Copeland

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
At Large - Jeremy Lamar

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk Treasurer - Debbie Ottinger  
City of Lebanon, Indiana