

# Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League

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Ms. Lynn Good  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Duke Energy Corporation  
550 South Tryon Street  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Dear Ms. Good:

Duke Energy is visiting a terrible injustice on the Brickhaven community in Chatham County, North Carolina.

On behalf of the Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League, our chapters Chatham Citizens Against Coal Ash Dump and EnvironmentalLEE, and the residents of Brickhaven, Corinth, and Moncure, we demand that Duke Energy immediately cease the dumping of coal ash at the Green Meadow, LLC landfill in Brickhaven, North Carolina.

To continue to dump coal ash makes Duke Energy, and you as president and chief executive officer, complicit in the violation of this community. Residents living along the roads leading to the site, and those living near the site are already experiencing the negative impacts of this ill-conceived plan.

In May 2015, you were quoted in the Los Angeles Times saying, “We are accountable for what happened at Dan River and have learned from this event.” And, “We are setting a new standard for coal ash management and implementing smart, sustainable solutions for all of our ash basins.”

However, your actions are to the contrary—Duke Energy’s so-called new standard and the transfer of contamination from one place to another are not “sustainable.” Indeed, your company has forced a quick and dirty waste dumping scheme on Lee and Chatham counties. Complicit in this injustice is the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, which has improperly permitted both the Brickhaven (Chatham) and Colon (Lee) county landfills. Nevertheless, we ask that you cease and desist the transport of coal ash to Chatham County.

Esse quam videri

The solution to the coal ash problem is not spreading the contamination to other sites. Duke Energy has already polluted far too many North Carolina communities.

Stop the dumping now.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louis A. Zeller", followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Louis A. Zeller  
Executive Director