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House Energy & Technology Committee
c/o Cath Petroskey, Clerk
Anderson House Office Building
124 North Capitol Avenue
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909-7513

SUBJECT: House Bill 5184 – Michigan Energy Freedom Act

Dear House Energy & Technology Committee Members:

I am writing to express my strong support for House Bill 5184 which will lift the 10% cap on Michigan's electric choice program and allow my business to take advantage of lower market rates.

Michigan's electric rates are among the highest in the Midwest and above the national average. My electric rates have skyrocketed since the law was changed to impose the 10% cap on electric choice in 2008.

Energy is a major cost for my business. I compete against businesses in other states with lower rates, which puts my company at a competitive disadvantage.

It's time for Michigan to join other states that have fully deregulated their electricity market and allow the fee market to work to offer customers more options at lower rates.

Thank you in advance for your support of HB 5184.

Respectfully,

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CC: Governor Rick Snyder

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