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Platte River Power Authority Board of Directors
2000 E. Horsetooth Road
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Dear PRPA Board Members:

The packet for the July 30, 2026 board meeting includes a section proposing to modify the Resource Diversification Policy, which was approved by the board in December 2018. At that time, the board set a goal of reaching a 100% non-carbon resource mix by 2030, giving PRPA 12 years to pursue the goal. Despite setting that goal nearly 8 years ago, PRPA has committed to a resource plan which includes adding five new methane turbines in addition to continuing to use its existing methane turbines. This is in direct opposition to achieving a non-carbon resource mix.

The proposed modification to the goal would not just postpone, but **eliminate any timeline** for reaching 100% non-carbon generation. This is entirely unacceptable. We wonder if biosphere incineration is soon enough for the PRPA to consider a 100% non-carbon energy mix?

**The PRPA board must require that a new date be designated for reaching a 100% non-carbon resource mix.** And it must make clear that this will be truly 100% non-carbon, without using tricky juggling of the numbers to say that "the owner cities are getting 100% non-carbon" despite ongoing burning of gas (with local residents suffering the polluted air) to sell outside of the region.

It is true that PRPA has made progress in developing renewable generation, anticipating the likelihood that the Rawhide coal unit will stop operating in 2030. Since it is clear that the 2030 goal for 100% non-carbon will not be met, **the board should require that a new specific percentage goal for 2030 be set**, and that all necessary steps are taken to meet it.

These changes, including backing down from the 2018 goal, must be clearly communicated to the residents of the four owner communities. The cities each have their own goals regarding non-carbon energy generation and greenhouse gas reduction. With PRPA failing its 2030 goal, the cities face a dilemma of their own in determining how to proceed and how to hold themselves accountable to their own communities.

We agree the current RDP is flawed. It should be replaced by a policy acknowledging that combustion of fossil fuel is not environmentally responsible and should be eliminated. The policy direction should be rapid phase out of fossil fuels, not 'diversification' for its own sake.

The accelerating deterioration of climate stability and our local air quality demand that you not abandon all attempts to reach total decarbonization. Please, at a minimum, set new specific dates and targets for doing so.

Sincerely,

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