CHESTER TOWNSHIP OTTAWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION #2025-01-02 RESOLUTION TO REQUEST CAMPBELL CLOSURE DELAY

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Chester, Ottawa County, Michigan, held on January 13, 2025, located at 3509 Sehler St, Conklin, MI at 7 pm. Board Member Goodno moved to adopt this Resolution, second by Board Member Dietrich:

A Resolution to Support the Continued Operation of The Campbell Coal Plant

WHEREAS, the Campbell Coal Plant has been a vital part of our community's energy infrastructure for years, providing reliable power and supporting local jobs; and

WHEREAS, the plant contributes significantly to the local economy, employing workers directly and supporting additional jobs in related industries; and

WHEREAS, the Campbell Coal Plant has implemented various measures to reduce emissions and enhance efficiency, demonstrating a commitment to environmental responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the plant plays a crucial role in maintaining energy stability and affordability for residents and business in the West Michigan Region; and

WHEREAS, carbon sequestration technology is rapidly developing and could be used in lieu of fossil fuel plant closure; and

WHEREAS, regional grid operator MISA recommends a delay in the currently planned fossil fuel plant closures in order to avoid undue risks to the regional electric grid; and

WHEREAS, Michigan law allows Consumers Energy to request and the Michigan Public Service Commission to grant fossil fuel plant closure delays to avoid endangerment of the regional electric grid; and

WHEREAS, Michigan law recognizes the important role of municipalities with respect to utility services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chester Township Board hereby expresses its support for the delay in the closure and demolition of The Campbell Coal Plant as part of our energy strategy

YEAS: Denhof, Dietrich, Dunnuck, Goodno

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fedewa

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

Helen Dietrich, Clerk Resolution # 2025-01-02