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Good morning,

I would like to write about my concern with the draft master energy plan for New Jersey.

The plan does not presently set out a moratorium on fossil fuel projects, allowing natural gas projects to continue. I find it difficult to understand how the state will manage to meet its renewable goals under this plan. I agree with the critiques expressed by the Raritan Valley Group of the New Jersey Sierra Club, which point out that the plan lacks the following:

- regulation of carbon dioxide emissions
- a moratorium on fossil fuel projects; 15 proposed projects are currently in some stage of development
- mention of the state's two remaining coal-fired plants
- mention of the nuclear subsidy, which may complicate and/or crowd out funding for renewable sources
- emphasis on targeting pollution in environmental justice communities. Energy policies must be equitable, meaning that all communities must share equally in the advantages of reduced pollution, solar programs, EV charging networks, and green jobs
- emphasis on transitioning buses to electric modes. Improving NJ Transit is aligned with this, as a better public commuting service would help to transition people away from their cars into cleaner transportation alternatives

Thank you very much,  
Emilia