



February 22, 2016

The Honorable Michael Nofs  
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Dear Mr. Chairman,

Thank you very much for sponsoring Senate bill 437 that puts Michigan first. I am writing you in support of your energy legislation. I know you have many hours of research into this piece of legislation so there is no need in reviewing its content. I hope you don't mind, but I just wanted to provide you an overall opinion on the subject as well as a perspective from a Michigan business owner who will be significantly impacted by the direction our state's energy policy takes us.

First, we of course all have to look out for what is in the best interest of everyone involved. With the billions of dollars of infrastructure reinvestment our state utility companies are going to be doing in the next decade it is critical to the state's economic health that we keep the construction business in the state when at all possible. We have the quality of people and services, and competitiveness, to allow that to happen. Also, regarding consumers; it is a given that they do not want any interruptions to their power and they want their energy bills to be reasonable. So without enough supply to meet peak demand and capacity for growth this performance expectation will never be met. And when it comes to people's energy bills the facts speak for themselves that the people living in the approximate 30% of deregulated parts of the country have energy bills that are approximately 25% higher. So this is not only self-serving on our part but it also makes perfect sense for all the people of Michigan.

Marshall E Campbell Co. is a Michigan based fourth generation family owned business with four locations within the state. Our state utility companies are a significant percentage of our business so this legislation has a direct impact on our long-term wellbeing. My concern with this legislation is what impact it has on my people. The average tenure of my people is over fifteen years. We have many people that have with been with us well over twenty years and are in the twilight of their careers. So your legislation would provide us the opportunity to earn business with DTE and Consumers so that we can keep these people employed. Should this legislation go the other way this could potentially have a dramatic negative impact on our workforce. I sincerely hope you can understand why I wanted to bring my concerns to your attention and let you know why I strongly support your efforts in passing this legislation.

Thank you again for sponsoring state senate bill 437. In your busy schedule I am available anytime if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jack M. Campbell'.

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