Oyster, Matt

From: Sent: To: Subject: Nick Celona <ncelona@strategic-impact.net> Tuesday, May 2, 2023 4:10 PM State Senator George Lang Meeting Request

Dear Senator,

I am writing you on behalf of Dave Celona and Dave Koren. We would like to get together with you to discuss a few provisions in the HB 33 budget.

We are flexible and can work around your busy schedule. Please let me know a time that works best for you.

Thank you,

Nick Celona Manager, Business and Client Support Services Strategic Impact Consulting 614-357-7223 Ncelona@strategic-impact.net



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From:

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To:

Cc:

Charles Gerhardt <cgerhardt@govstrategies.com> Wednesday, June 21, 2023 12:33 PM George Lang; State Senator George Lang Jim Benedict Subject: Budget **Attachments:** GSG HB 33 Conf Committee Requests.pdf

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Thanks much for your ongoing support.

Chip



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CLIENT	ITEM	REQUEST	PREFERENCE
	EDUCD113 Accelerate Great	\$1,500,000 per FY from Fund 7017	
Accelerate Great Schools	Schools	ALI 200614.	HOUSE/SENATE
		Requires a Community School of	
		Quality first designated for	
		the 2022-2023 school year under the	
	EDUCD55 Quality	criteria in (3) above to	
	Community and Independent	maintain that designation through	
	STEM Schools Support	the 2027-2028 school year.	SENATE
		Increases Fund 7017 ALI 200631,	
	EDUCD55 Quality	Quality Community and Independent	
	Community and Independent	STEM Schools Support, to \$136.5	
	STEM Schools Support	million per FY.	SENATE

		Restore \$267 million in	
		appropriation line 1956B4 eliminated	
		in Senate budget. Critical U.S.	
	DEVCD47 ARPA Capital	Treasury Capital Projects Fund	
altafiber	Projects	dollars for broadband.	EXECUTIVE

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		Seeking \$200,000 per FY to support		l
		operation of family shelter. House		J
		included funding via TANF Block		l
		Grant. Does not have to be TANF if		l
Bethany House	JFSCD42 TANF Block Grant	another source is preferred.	HOUSE	ł

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	TAXCD57 Lodging tax:		
	convention, entertainment,	Permissive authority for Hamilton	
Cincinnati Center City Development Corp. (3CDC)	and sports facilities	County to raise its lodging tax by 1%	SENATE
		Permissive authority for City of	
	TAXCD59 Lodging tax:	Cincinnati to pledge a portion of its	
	convention, entertainment,	lodging tax to renovation of	
	and sports facilities	convention center.	SENATE
		Permissive authority for Hamilton	
	TAXCD60 Lodging tax	County and municipality in county to	
	exemption and financing:	TIF lodging taxes of convention HQ	
	headquarters hotel	hotel.	SENATE
		Permissive authority for City of	
		Cincinnati to levy tax on rideshare	
		services for economic development.	
	TAXCD90 Municipal	Revenues to be pledged to	
	ridesharing tax	convention center	SENATE
	TAXCD71 Municipal tax	Allows cities to extend pre-2006 TIF	
	increment financing (TIF)	districts for a term of up to 15 years	
	district extensions	under certain conditions.	HOUSE/SENATE

	MHACD28 ARPA Pediatric	\$50 million pediatric behavioral	
Cincinnati Children's Hospital	Behavioral Health	health.	SENATE

		\$350,000 per FY in operating support	
	OHSCD4 State Historical	for the Museum Center and its	HOUSE w/ increase
Cincinnati Museum Center	Grants	history museum.	\$400,000 per FY

		Maintain current maximum number		
	CACCD6 Sports gaming	of sports gaming facilities in counties		
Cincinnati Reds	facilities county quota	with pop. of 800,000 or more.	SENATE	

CLIENT	ITEM	REQUEST	PREFERENCE
	TAXCD33 Sports gaming tax		
	rate	Maintain current tax rate of 10%.	HOUSE
		Remove Senate provision that would	
		exempt stock options and	
	TAXCD58 Municipal income	nonqualified deferred comp from	
City of Blue Ash	tax: exemptions	municipal income tax.	HOUSE
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		\$25 million to support Western &	HOUSE w/ increase to
City of Mason	DEVCD63 Local Projects	Southern Tennis Open.	\$25m
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		Remove provision in House and	
		Senate versions prohibiting an EDU	
		from (1) owning or operating, (2)	
		charging a subsidized rate, fee or	
		charge and (3) directly or indirectly	
		subsidizing investments in the	
	PUCCD7 Electric vehicle	ownership or operation of EV	
Duke Energy	charging stations	charging stations.	EXECUTIVE
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		Maintain current maximum number	

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	CACCD6 Sports gaming	of sports gaming facilities in counties	
FC Cincinnati	facilities county quota	with pop. of 800,000 or more.	SENATE
	TAXCD33 Sports gaming tax		
	rate	Maintain current tax rate of 10%.	HOUSE

		\$75 million annual cap on tax credit.			
	TAXCD34 Production	Remove refundable tax credit for			
	company tax credit for	production companies added in			
	capital improvements and	Senate budget as it is unnecessary			
	motion picture tax credit	without a more robust motion			
Film Cincinnati	annual cap	picture tax credit.	HOUSE		10.0
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CLIENT	ITEM	REQUEST	PREFERENCE
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		\$3 million to support construction of	
		Regional Safety Complex in Colerain	
Hamilton County	DEVCD63 Local Projects	Twp.	HOUSE
	OBMCD38 Fiscal year 2023	Restore House funding level of \$100	
	General Revenue Fund	million per FY in Local Jail Grant	
	ending balance	Program	HOUSE
		House-passed funding level plus	
		additional \$10 million per FY.	
		Remove House-passed cap	
		provisions. Prefer straight \$75/hr.	
	Indigent defense support	cap.	HOUSE w/ amendment
		Increase LGF to 2.5% of GRF Tax	
		Revenue. Need to be at least 1.85%	
		to remain unharmed by Senate-	
	LGF Distribution	passed tax cuts.	SENATE w/ amendment

		Item is SB 105 which has not passed out of Senate committee. Issue should continue to be debated as separate legislation. At a minimum,	
		restore current law in lines 23798- 23804 re: at-will removal of Board	
Hamilton County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board	MHACD44 ADAMHS boards	members.	HOUSE

	DOHCD16 Youth	\$100,000 per FY to support Sheakley	
Ligthhouse Youth & Family Services	Homelessess	Center for Youth	SENATE

CLIENT	ITEM	REQUEST	PREFERENCE
		\$1,575,000 in FY 2024 in GRF ALI	
		336519, Community Projects for the	
		Lindner Center of Hope for	
		technology to provide telehealth and	
	MHACD33 Community	to support behavioral health	
Lindner Center of Hope	Projects	services.	SENATE
		I	
		Rectifies clerical error during COVID	
		related to Voluntary Action Program	
	TAXODE1 Drawnfield	(VAP) impacting tax exemption on	
	TAXCD51 Brownfield	redevelopment resulting in missing	
Local Oakley	property tax abatement	exemption for 2 years.	HOUSE/SENATE
	TAXCD44 Incentive district		
	TIFs: include other TIF	Allows nonperforming parcel to be	
Neyer Properties	property	removed from a township TIF	HOUSE/SENATE
		Change in ownership of a retail	
		tobacco store established before	
		December 7, 2006, does not	
		interfere with the store's continuing	
		exemption from the Smoke-Free	
		Workplace Law and, therefore, does	
		not require the store to relocate to a	
	DOHCD57 Retail tobacco	freestanding structure in order to	
Strauss Tobacconist	stores	retain the exemption.	SENATE
	EDUCD36 Educator	\$2,000,000 in each FY to support	
Teach for America	Preparation	Teach for America.	EXEC/HOUSE/SENATE
			. ,
	DEVCD61 Cultural Center		
The Nancy & David Wolf Holocaust & Humanity Center	Grant	Seeking \$150,000 per FY	HOUSE w/ amendment,
			<u>As of 6/</u>

HOUSE w/ amendment | As of 6/16/23

CLIENT	ITEM	REQUEST	PREFERENCE
		DAS Director to create the Ohio Surface Water Model, update Ohio's portion of the National Hydrography Dataset, and update Ohio's portion	
Woolpert		of the Watershed Boundary Dataset.	HOUSE

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Cc: Lang@ohiosenate.gov <Lang@ohiosenate.gov>; Jim Benedict <jbenedict@govstrategies.com>
Subject: Re: Budget

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Sent from my iPhone, please excuse the brevity and spelling errors.

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The Empowerment Alliance Mitchell L. Given

Mitch Given has an extensive career spanning over three decades in Ohio politics and government. His expertise encompasses lobbying, public affairs, government relations, and communications, with a strong emphasis on shaping energy policy and fostering public engagement.

Notably, Mitch holds the pivotal role of Ohio Director at The Empowerment Alliance (TEA) a national organization dedicated to raising awareness about natural gas as America's clean, affordable, and reliable energy source. This mission not only promotes environmental betterment but also ensures American energy independence. TEA's goal is to make Ohio the nation's low cost energy capital by maximizing the full potential of Ohio-produced natural gas.

Furthermore, Mitch has effectively represented a diverse clientele, including sectors as varied as oil & gas, electric utilities, banking, law, engineering, construction, technology, public universities, private education, and veterans groups.

As a seasoned public affairs consultant, Mitch has lent his expertise to numerous national companies and organizations, contributing to the development of impactful political coalitions, media relations strategies, and statewide ballot initiative campaigns.

Before establishing his own consulting firm, Mitch held key political and state government positions, having served in the offices of the Ohio Attorney General, Auditor of State, and the Ohio Republican Party.

Mitch is a proud alumnus of Ashland University and makes his home in New Albany, Ohio, with his wife Julie and their three children.



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Dr. Rastin and Mitch,

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OHIO AND TENNESSEE PASS *"NATURAL GAS IS GREEN"*

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"Far left environmentalists are having a meltdown about natural gas because it's clean, reliable, and affordable."

- Ohio Senate President Matt Huffman

"Relative to what we have used historically for electrical generation, [natural gas] is clean," said Tennessee State Rep. Clark Boyd, R-Lebanon

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Germany at risk of natural gas shortages for years to come



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Tearn Biden weighed a climate emergency. Then the IRA passed.



What if we lived in a world without oil and natural gas?



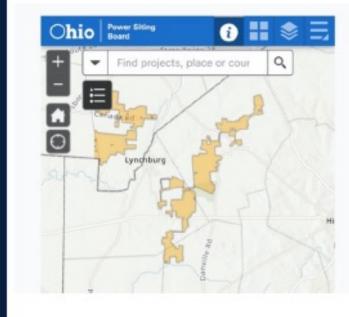
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FIGHTING THE NONSENSE OF TURNING CORN FIELDS INTO SOLAR FIELDS

Solar developers cherry-pick landowners with huge lease payments pitting them against farmers and destroying rural communities with disjointed projects that can cover thousands of acres of prime farmland.





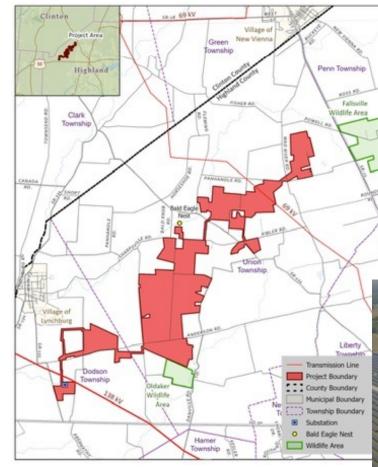
LOST OHIO FARMLAND

Oak Run Solar 800 MW on 6,050 acres of farmland



Lordstown Energy 940 MW on about 5 acres of land

LOST OHIO FARMLAND



Closing in on 100,000 acres of Ohio farmland transitioned to industrial solar. Patchwork of solar litters the countryside.

Impacts acreage available to surrounding farmers.



SUBSIDIES KILL RELIABLE COMPETITIVE ELECTRICITY



Free market economics: best product and price dictates the market.

Power plants sell <u>capacity</u> and <u>energy</u>.

Solar is not dispatchable, so its capacity value is zero. Requires HUGE amounts of China dominated battery storage.

Solar production cost is 12-15 cents/kwh in Ohio.

Nat gas production cost cost is 1.8 cents/kwh.

It's not even close!

If Ohio gave \$6 pizza subsidies, non-subsidized pizza shops would be out of business real fast!

Why do we do it? It helps some policymakers and investors feel like they are saving the planet.

COMMON SENSE SOLAR

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 There are 13,778 square miles of parking lots in the U.S.
 Equivalent to almost 9 Million Acres

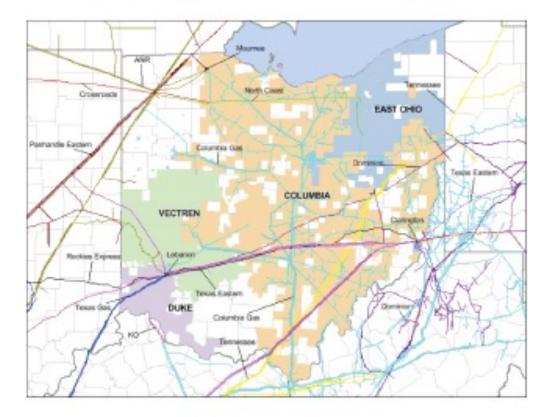
 There are over 8 billion square meters of warehouse rooftops in the U.S. suitable for solar panels.
 Equivalent to almost 2 Million Acres

ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE



OHIO PIPELINE INFRASTRUCTURE STUDY:

- 1. What's already in place?
- 2. Where do we need more natural gas?
- 3. What's the projected economic impact?
- 4. What policy changes are needed to encourage growth?

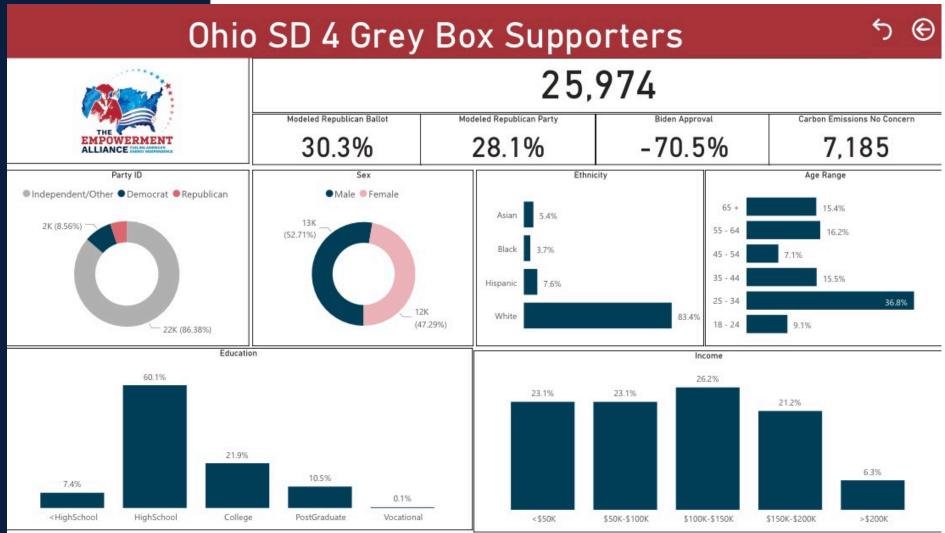




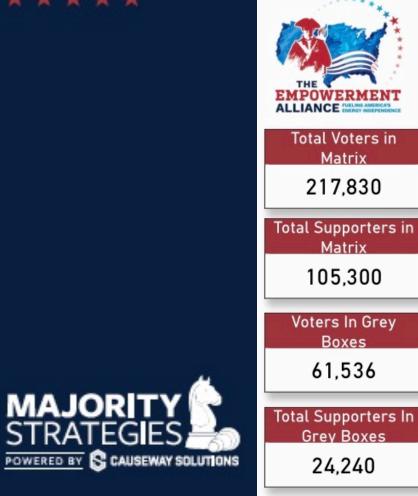
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Ohio Senate District 12

Support

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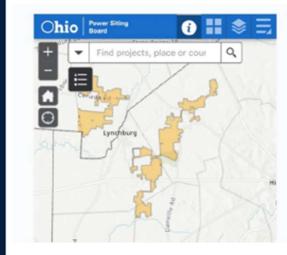
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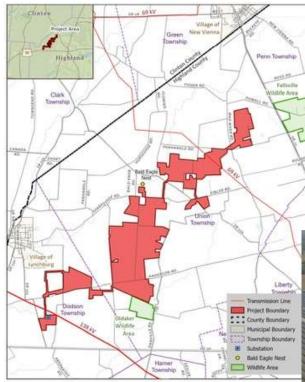
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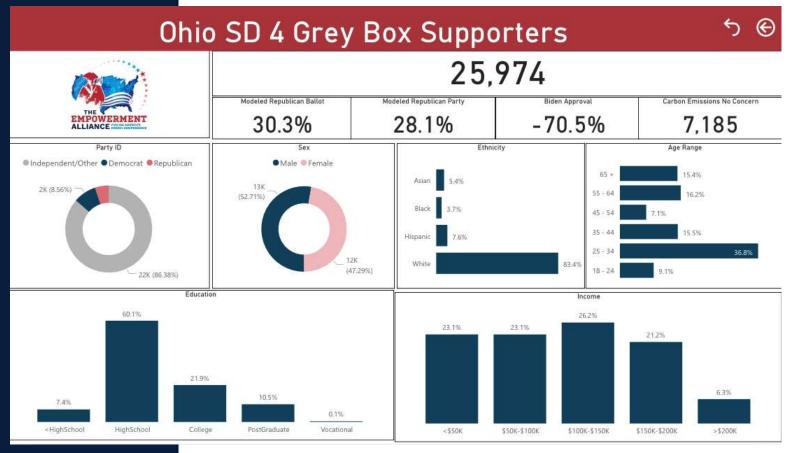




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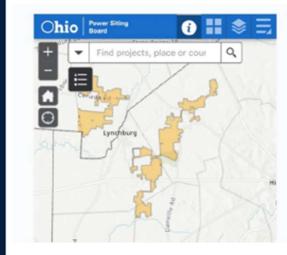
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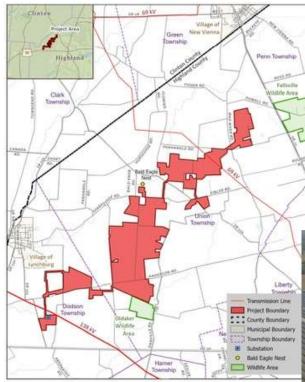
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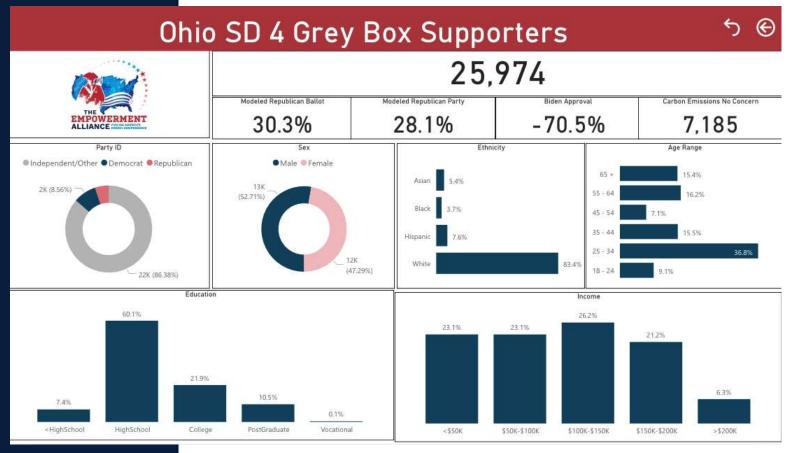




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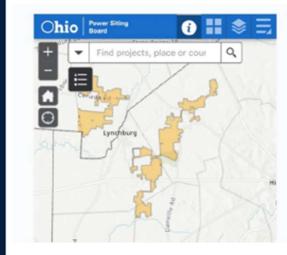
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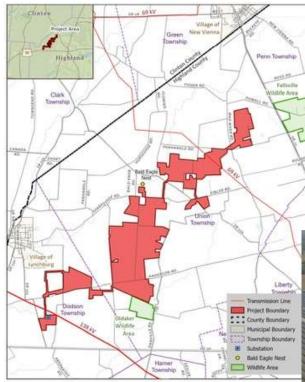
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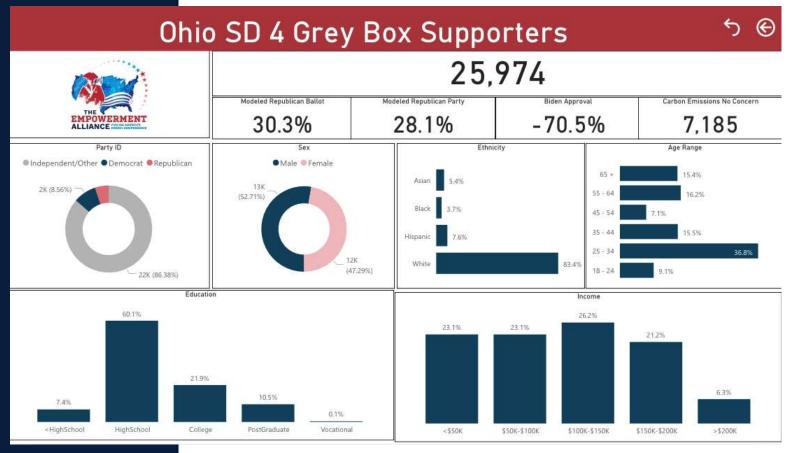




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The agenda for the meeting along with all the presenter bios can be found attached above. On behalf of the co-chairs of the Business First Caucus, I encourage you to mark your calendars and join us for these dynamic speakers and informational presentations. We hope you can join us and we look forward to your attendance

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Kamran Ali is vice president of AEP Transmission and Telecom Planning and Analysis organization. He leads and oversees the company's activities related to expansion and renewal of ~40,000 circuit miles of Transmission across 13 states and four Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs). In addition, his team participates in off-footprint initiatives to ensure a seamless grid and integration of emerging technologies. Ali is responsible for ensuring rationalization and prudence of the Transmission portfolio. He has served as the company's witness on Transmission topics in various jurisdictions. Ali has a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Alabama. He also has a Master's Degree in electrical engineering from Kansas State University and a Master's Degree in business administration (MBA) from Ohio University. He holds a professional engineer license in the state of Ohio.

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Mitch Given has an extensive career spanning over three decades in Ohio politics and government. His expertise encompasses lobbying, public affairs, government relations, and communications, with a strong emphasis on shaping energy policy and fostering public engagement.

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Good afternoon,

This is a reminder that the Business First Caucus will be meeting <u>Tuesday, October 3rd at 4:15pm in the Statehouse</u> <u>Atrium.</u>

The topic of the meeting will be <u>energy</u>, and our presenters include <u>American Electric Power (AEP)</u>, as well as <u>The</u> <u>Empowerment Alliance (TEA)</u>. From AEP, we have pleasure of hearing from the Vice President of Transmission and Telecom Planning and Analysis, Kamran Ali. From TEA, we are excited to have join us the Ohio Director Mitchell Given.

The agenda for the meeting along with all the presenter bios can be found attached above. On behalf of the co-chairs of the Business First Caucus, I encourage you to mark your calendars and join us for these dynamic speakers and informational presentations. We hope you can join us and we look forward to your attendance

As always, should you have any questions regarding the Business First Caucus, please do not hesitate to reach out to our office.

Thank you,



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Kamran Ali is vice president of AEP Transmission and Telecom Planning and Analysis organization. He leads and oversees the company's activities related to expansion and renewal of ~40,000 circuit miles of Transmission across 13 states and four Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs). In addition, his team participates in off-footprint initiatives to ensure a seamless grid and integration of emerging technologies. Ali is responsible for ensuring rationalization and prudence of the Transmission portfolio. He has served as the company's witness on Transmission topics in various jurisdictions. Ali has a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Alabama. He also has a Master's Degree in electrical engineering from Kansas State University and a Master's Degree in business administration (MBA) from Ohio University. He holds a professional engineer license in the state of Ohio.

The Empowerment Alliance Mitchell L. Given

Mitch Given has an extensive career spanning over three decades in Ohio politics and government. His expertise encompasses lobbying, public affairs, government relations, and communications, with a strong emphasis on shaping energy policy and fostering public engagement.

Notably, Mitch holds the pivotal role of Ohio Director at The Empowerment Alliance (TEA) a national organization dedicated to raising awareness about natural gas as America's clean, affordable, and reliable energy source. This mission not only promotes environmental betterment but also ensures American energy independence. TEA's goal is to make Ohio the nation's low cost energy capital by maximizing the full potential of Ohio-produced natural gas.

Furthermore, Mitch has effectively represented a diverse clientele, including sectors as varied as oil & gas, electric utilities, banking, law, engineering, construction, technology, public universities, private education, and veterans groups.

As a seasoned public affairs consultant, Mitch has lent his expertise to numerous national companies and organizations, contributing to the development of impactful political coalitions, media relations strategies, and statewide ballot initiative campaigns.

Before establishing his own consulting firm, Mitch held key political and state government positions, having served in the offices of the Ohio Attorney General, Auditor of State, and the Ohio Republican Party.

Mitch is a proud alumnus of Ashland University and makes his home in New Albany, Ohio, with his wife Julie and their three children.