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Agency: LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

With both the recent U.S climate report and the climate crisis assessment from the IPCC in mind, I have great concern about the Fayette Coal Plant, owned and operated by LCRA. The plant is directly responsible for a major source of deadly carbon emissions in the Central Texas region. LCRA must develop a plan to sunset Fayette and stop poisoning our air and water. There is no alternative when we prioritize the health of our communities and our economic future. LCRA must develop a long-term plan for their water, transmission, and electric generation businesses with the reality of climate change and population growth at the forefront of all thought. Water Forward, a 100-year plan for water resources just developed by The City of Austin can be a good model. The drilling of groundwater would not be needed if Fayette Coal Plant were to close. LCRA must prioritize and honor our limited resources. How our resources are being used by the plant must be made available to the general public.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Coal plants are losing investment as they are not the practical way forward for our state, our country, our world. Therefore, the profitability of the Fayette Coal Plant is in question. The board of the LCRA must investigate market projections over the next five years and moving forward from there. This moment in time presents the LCRA with an important opportunity to serve as a leader in the transition away from fossil fuel energy onto a path to renewables that will serve our communities in a multi-faceted way and lead to profitability in the long term.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree