

**350 IRP intervenor comments, due May 9..docket number UD-20-02**

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Dear Ms. Johnson and Ms. Mason

I sent my comments on May 7, but I neglected to include the docket number. I hope these comments will be considered nevertheless.

Please find the attached Comments of the 350 New Orleans under docket number UD-20-02. Copied to this communication are the members of the current service list. Please file these comments into the record in this matter. We will submit physical copies at your instruction. Thank you for your time and attention.

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**From:** marion freistadt <marionfreistadt@yahoo.com>**To:** Bobbie F. Mason <bfmason1@nola.gov>; Lora W. Johnson <lwjohnson@nola.gov>**Sent:** Saturday, May 7, 2022, 08:55:56 AM CDT**Subject:** 350 IRP intervenor comments, due May 9

Intervenor comments:

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the IRP.

1. Battery and storage were taken out of Strategy 4 (labeled "Stakeholder Strategy.") This was done without knowledge or consent of the stakeholders. This was raised at Technical Meeting 4, but was not corrected, as shown in the public meeting #2 (slide 22). This needs to be corrected. Models may need to be re-run.
2. 350 advocates that Union Power Station be shut down in 2025, not 2033. We do this because it is gas-fired (which is fossil fuel). According to the IPCC, the Biden administration, as well as the Governor's Climate Initiatives Task Force, the world cannot afford to continue burning fossil fuel. Devastating climate effects such as Sea Level rise, Extreme weather, Forest fires and dangerously high temperatures are already negatively impacting Louisiana, the United States and much of the world. The most important way to mitigate Climate Change is to stop burning fossil fuels as soon as possible.
3. Slide 22 shows that Manual Portfolios 1a and 4a put the closing in 2025. But 1a and 4a do not show an equivalent 1,980 MW being substituted with renewables.
4. Slide 4 says that "The analysis indicates it is more beneficial for customers for ENO to operate Union 1 until 2033 instead of deactivating it early in 2025." Yet Strategy 1, the "least cost planning" states that Union would be deactivated in 2025.
5. EV charging station infrastructure (Slide 29) proposal is woefully undersourced and extremely slow. No timeline is given, but from conversation, we understand that it will still take years to have 25 stations installed although they were approved in 2018, 4 years ago. Charging stations need to be given a high priority to get many more, if not hundreds, around the city within a year or two.

Thank you,

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