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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3546

Dear Committee:

The large tech companies are creating a strain on our electrical grid, making it harder to reach our goal of carbon-free energy generation by 2035. They need to pay for the increased electricity they desire without increasing the rates for the ordinary customer. Data centers have grown exponentially over the last decade and added a lot of costs to our energy grid. The POWER Act makes data centers pay their fair share of energy costs by allowing regulators to assign costs that only benefit one type of customer. HB 3546 ensures that expensive data centers continually pay for utility investments by requiring signed utility contracts for at least 10 years. Please support this HB3546.

Sincerely

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