



**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**

Washington, DC 20515

July 29, 2014

President Barack Obama  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the more than 40,000 Pennsylvanians whose jobs depend on the coal industry and the hundreds of thousands more who depend on it for affordable and stable electricity rates, I invite you to accompany me on a tour of a Western Pennsylvania coal mine which I will personally arrange.

Such an occasion would allow you to meet face-to-face with the hardworking men and women whose labor provides coal's benefits, and whose livelihoods will be severely affected by the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) proposed Clean Power Plan.

The proposed Clean Power Plan will not only have a devastating effect on communities where coal mines and coal-fired power plants are major employers, but will also have negative consequences for the entire manufacturing industry that remains the backbone of Western Pennsylvania's economy.

Today, technology has made mining safer than ever and coal-fired power plants cleaner than ever. Western Pennsylvania is a region where economic recovery has taken not years but decades to occur. I believe that before allowing your administration to implement a Clean Power Plan that could set back this slow recovery, you should take time to tour at least one of the facilities at risk of closing due to the plan.

I sincerely welcome your visit and will be happy to personally help facilitate it with any Western Pennsylvania coal mine. For the sake of our fellow citizens' immediate and long-term wellbeing, I implore you to accept this offer before the EPA can take its initiative further.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Mike Kelly  
Member of Congress