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California Electricity Alert

Look At The Facts About Gray Davis' Energy Plan.

Under the Gray Davis Plan, California will face higher costs, rolling blackouts and polluted air. The Davis Plan has already bankrupted two utilities and cost consumers an estimated \$60 billion. Here are the facts:

 Higher Utility Bills.	Governor Davis has signed long-term contracts that will force California consumers to pay an estimated \$60 billion more for electricity over the next 15 years. Under Davis' plan, as prices fall, California consumers will not benefit.
 More Blackouts.	According to a new study by the Department of Energy, rolling blackouts in California this summer will more than double under the Davis plan. Blackouts will increase from 113 to 235 total hours, and the number of California families in the dark will increase to 1.575 million. (<i>U.S. Dept. Energy Study</i> , June 20, 2001)
 Increased Pollution.	Davis has signed an executive order that "lifts emissions limits on heavily polluting power plants," leading to more smog and dirty air. The Davis plan damages "air quality because [the plants] lack controls and can spew about 10 times more pollutants...." Davis also asked the Environmental Protection Agency to waive the federal Clean Air Act. Our children will breathe dirtier air because the politicians ignored the problem. (<i>Los Angeles Times</i> , June 14, 2001)
 Poor Planning.	As prices rose and supplies tightened in 1999 and 2000, Davis ignored the problem until it was too late. Why? No one seems to know, but what is clear is that " <i>the state prepared no contingency plans as supplies grew tight and prices became more volatile.</i> " (<i>Wall Street Journal</i> , August 3, 2001)
 Blaming Others.	Instead of solving the problem, Gray Davis has tried to blame others. According to the <i>Washington Post</i> , "The real danger to electricity supply is...that Mr. Davis has his eye on next year's gubernatorial election, and wants to turn power generators into scapegoats for the state's problems." (<i>Washington Post</i> , June 19, 2001)
 Political Hired Guns at Taxpayer Expense.	Gray Davis tried to force California taxpayers to foot the bill for two political hired guns who are his campaign consultants. "The governor's two \$30,000 per month energy crisis communications consultants have created a crisis of their own, with the state controller refusing to sign anymore of their paychecks...." (<i>Los Angeles Times</i> , June 25, 2001). Should California taxpayers be paying for the Porsche and Jaguar leases of Davis' political hired guns?

Before California's crisis gets worse, call Gray Davis and tell him you're opposed to his energy plan. Tell Davis to stop fixing blame and start fixing the problem.

**Call Gray Davis Today
916-445-2841**