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I am a strong supporter of TransAlta and this conversion process in particular. TransAlta has been a great friend to Lewis County and the schools of the county. They have been a good neighbor and endeavor to live side by side with the communities around them.

Specifically, I have appreciated the active efforts they have taken to remain a supplier of electrical power for the residents they serve. They shipped low sulfur coal from Wyoming to help mitigate sulfur dioxide in the air. They have state of the art scrubbers helping to keep the air as clean as possible. Now, with the shift to natural gas, the only by-product of interest will be carbon dioxide a product that will only enhance the growth of vegetation in the central part of the state. Growers are already compelled to use CO2 producers to grow the corn, wheat, barley, lentils, peas and a myriad of others. TransAlta's conversion keeps electrical power accessible for thousands of homes while providing work for employees and revenue for the county. Please help them get this conversion done and get operational. The power grid is dangerously close to its maximum load and needs more generation capacity.