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I've lived my 52 years in Maryland, half of that in Baltimore. Baltimore has changed a great deal, and absolutely for the better in that time. However, the inequity, injustice, and the filth remain. We all suffer from each poor environmental decision - we're in this boat together. It is time to shut down dirty coal plants, particularly those without modern pollution controls, and move to clean and renewable alternatives, already out performing fossil fuels both nationwide and worldwide. As a Marylander, I sincerely hope we can move toward renewable, clean power, 100% clean energy immediately, to preserve our beautiful state. It is time to shut down dirty coal plants, and move to clean and renewable solutions. Ocean City will survive off shore wind mills. As a Baltimorean, I want a more equitable society - typically, and certainly here, fossil fuel plants have disproportional impacts on neighborhoods of color, always suffering more environmental injustices throughout the history of our city. It is time to shut down the dirty coal plants that are causing so many health problems in hundreds of thousands of our neighbors. As a human with respiratory problems from a previous health scare. I want less smog and pollution - fewer Code Orange Days. I commute to work by electric assisted bicycle. It is time to shut down the dirty coal plants that are pumping our poisons, causing acid rain and exasperating respiratory issues. Furthermore, I hope the workers will be retrained/somehow not left out in the cold. We're trying to HELP BALTIMORE! Thanks for listening, Charlotte

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