

November 4, 2011

Dear AEP Shareholder and resident of the 9th District:

In the run for the 9th District House of Representatives race in Virginia, AEP and Appalachian Power have become the focus of candidate Ward Armstrong's campaign. Unfortunately, in his focus on winning the race, he continues to tarnish our company's name and make untrue statements. As a shareholder of AEP, you should know the facts.

Armstrong's most common claim is that the company's profit levels are excessive. Just recently, PolitiFact, an investigative arm of the *Richmond Times Dispatch*, rated his claim as "pants on fire," meaning that they believe he knows the truth and isn't using it (see attachment).

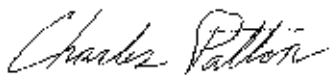
As a shareholder you are likely well aware of the reasons our rates have increased in recent years – compliance with federal regulations and fluctuations in the price of coal.

There is little doubt that Del. Armstrong's relentless attacks on our company are having an effect on our reputation. In that regard, I would ask for your help in sharing accurate information about our company with your friends and neighbors.

To help sort fact from fiction, we have established a website that sheds light on some of the outrageous claims that have been made this election season. Visit AppalachianPower.com/go/FactsMatter to learn more.

We hope that you will take advantage of your right to vote in the upcoming election Tuesday.

Sincerely,



Charles R. Patton
President

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COO