

# OHIO SENATE

## **SENATE BILL 346**

*Advanced Nuclear Technology Helping Energize Mankind (ANTHEM)*

**TESTIMONY TYPE:** Opponent

**TESTIMONY DATE:** November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**ADVOCATE NAME:** Donald Larson

### **TESTIMONY:**

Chairman Wilson, Vice Chair McColley, Ranking Member Williams, and the rest of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on SB 346.

Let me start by condemning the scandalous accusations that have been brought against certain individuals in the process of passing HB 6. If proven true, it casts a pale on the process.

However, process is not substance. The original legislation sought to level the playing field in the very complex market of power generation in the State. Given the economic devastation of 2020 and the recognized need of all political parties to restore US manufacturing, it is even more important now that the substance of HB6 stand.

This committee is currently considering other legislation to this effect, namely HB104. More than ever the state needs well paying, goods producing jobs in the areas of steel, pharmaceuticals and medical equipment. By definition these are energy intense industries where more cost effective, 24/7 base load power is required.

I urge the committee to separate the process from substance and reject the legislation.