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Of inquiry requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of Energy, to transmit to the House of Representatives certain information relating to plans to protect baseload bulk power system generation and transmission to maintain bulk power system reliability.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 26, 2022

Mr. PENCE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved*, That the President is requested, and the
2 Secretary of Energy is directed, to transmit to the House
3 of Representatives, not later than 14 days after the date
4 of adoption of this resolution, copies of all documents,
5 memoranda, and advisory legal opinions, including notes
6 from meetings, memos, and telephone and electronic mail
7 records, to the extent that any such one or more items

1 are within the possession of the President or the Sec-
2 retary, respectively, and refer or relate to the following:

3 (1) How the Secretary of Energy plans to re-
4 spond to the insufficient baseload electricity genera-
5 tion and transmission described by the North Amer-
6 ican Electric Reliability Corporation in the document
7 titled “2022 Summer Reliability Assessment” (May,
8 2022) to ensure the bulk power system is able to
9 provide reliable, affordable, and dispatchable base-
10 load electricity generation and transmission.

11 (2) Correspondence between the Secretary of
12 Energy and bulk power system operators, the Chair
13 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and
14 the Administrator of the Environmental Protection
15 Agency relating to how the generation and trans-
16 mission of electricity in the bulk power system, and
17 the reliability of the bulk power system, is expected
18 to be affected by—

19 (A) premature retirements or temporary
20 closures of baseload electric generating units as
21 a result of enforcement actions with respect to
22 the requirements of section 257.103(f) of title
23 40, Code of Federal Regulations;

24 (B) any approved demonstrations for ex-
25 tensions submitted under section 257.103(f) of

1 title 40, Code of Federal Regulations (relating
2 to alternative closure requirements for coal
3 combustion residuals landfills and surface im-
4 poundments); and

5 (C) finalization of the proposed rule pub-
6 lished by the Administrator of the Environ-
7 mental Protection Agency on April 6, 2022, ti-
8 tled “Federal Implementation Plan Addressing
9 Regional Ozone Transport for the 2015 Ozone
10 National Ambient Air Quality Standard” (87
11 Fed. Reg. 20036).

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