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A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE NEW MEXICO INSTITUTE OF MINING AND TECHNOLOGY TO
STUDY THE EFFICACY OF THE COAL AND UTILITY INDUSTRIES' REFINING
OF COAL MINE METHANE AND MARKETING AND BURNING IT IN POWER
PLANTS.

WHEREAS, significant amounts of methane are lost or left
unexploited in the coal mining process; and

WHEREAS, refined methane can be used as fuel;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico
institute of mining and technology be requested to study the
efficacy of coal mining companies refining coal mine methane
and selling it to utilities for burning in electric power
plants; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the New Mexico institute of

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1 mining and technology report its findings to the radioactive
2 and hazardous materials committee; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
4 transmitted to the president of the New Mexico institute of
5 mining and technology.

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