



SIERRA CLUB

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What is the Sierra Club?

- The nation's oldest and largest grassroots environmental organization.
- Our Mission: To explore, enjoy and protect the planet.
- Founded by John Muir in 1892 in California.
- Over 2 million supporters nationwide.
- Local goals include cleaning up & protecting Delaware's environment and fighting for environmental & energy justice.

Sierra Club Outings



explore, enjoy, protect

C & D Canal Bike Outing this Saturday



Saturday, July 16th

- * 10am~12pm
- * Approx. 16 mile bike ride
- * Flat, paved terrain
- * Easy-Intermediate level

DE Sierra Club Outing Chair Steve Hegedus will lead us on a scenic bike ride along the C&D Canal between Delaware City, DE and Chesapeake City, MD. After the ride everyone is invited to join Steve for lunch at a local restaurant along the Delaware River (optional).

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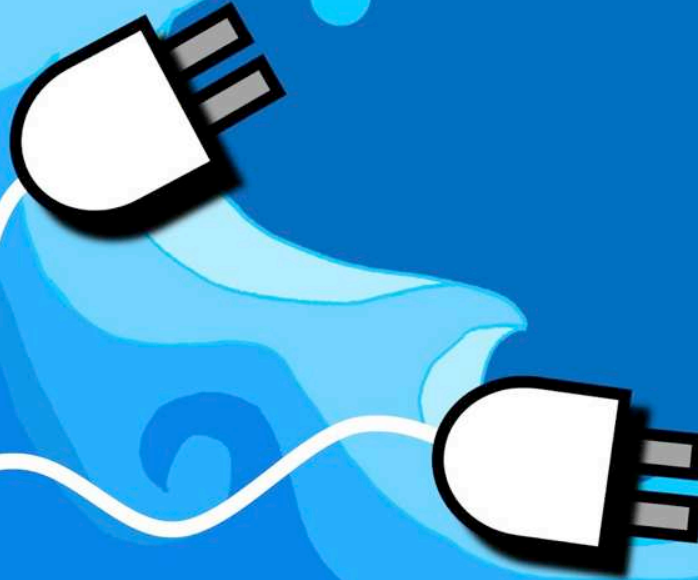
Sierra Club Advocacy



House Bill 202 Update

- Five cent fee on each single-use bag
 - Expands on existing at-store recycling programs
 - Only applicable to retailers under the current law
 - Includes reporting requirements
- Reduces burden on environment & taxpayers
- Passed the House Natural Resources Committee after GREAT public testimony in May.
- Never received a vote in the House before 6/30.
- We'll try again next year! Join us!

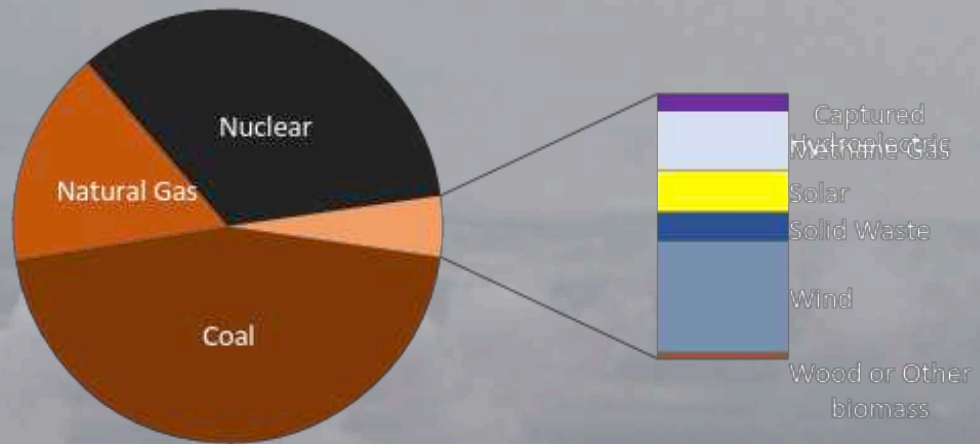
PULL THE PLUG ON CLIMATE CHANGE



WE HAVE THE POWER TO SAVE ENERGY



The Save Energy to Save the World Campaign



2014 Delmarva Power & Light Fuel Resource Mix

Electricity generation causes pollution.

Hurricane Sandy cleanup, 2012.

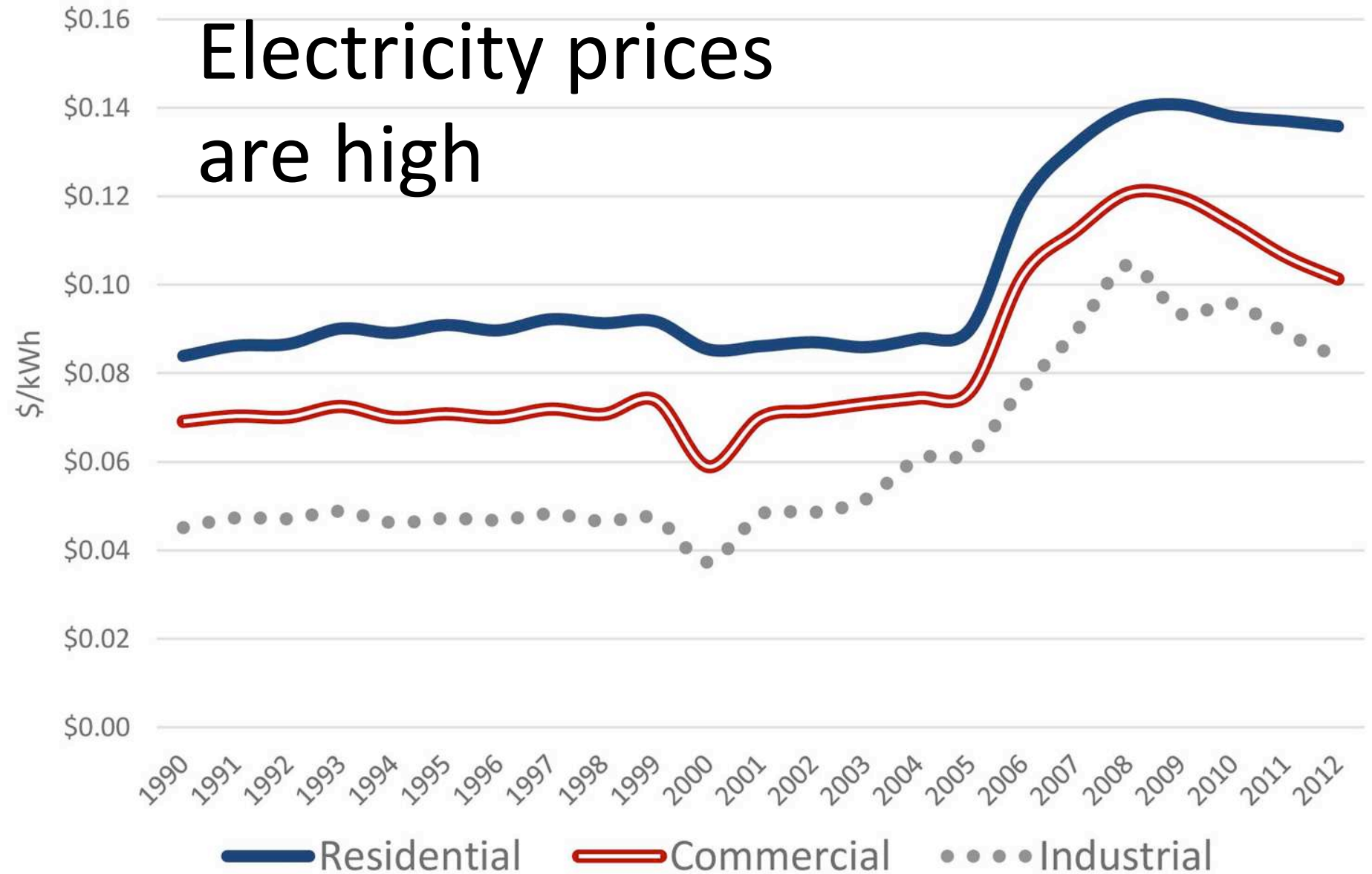


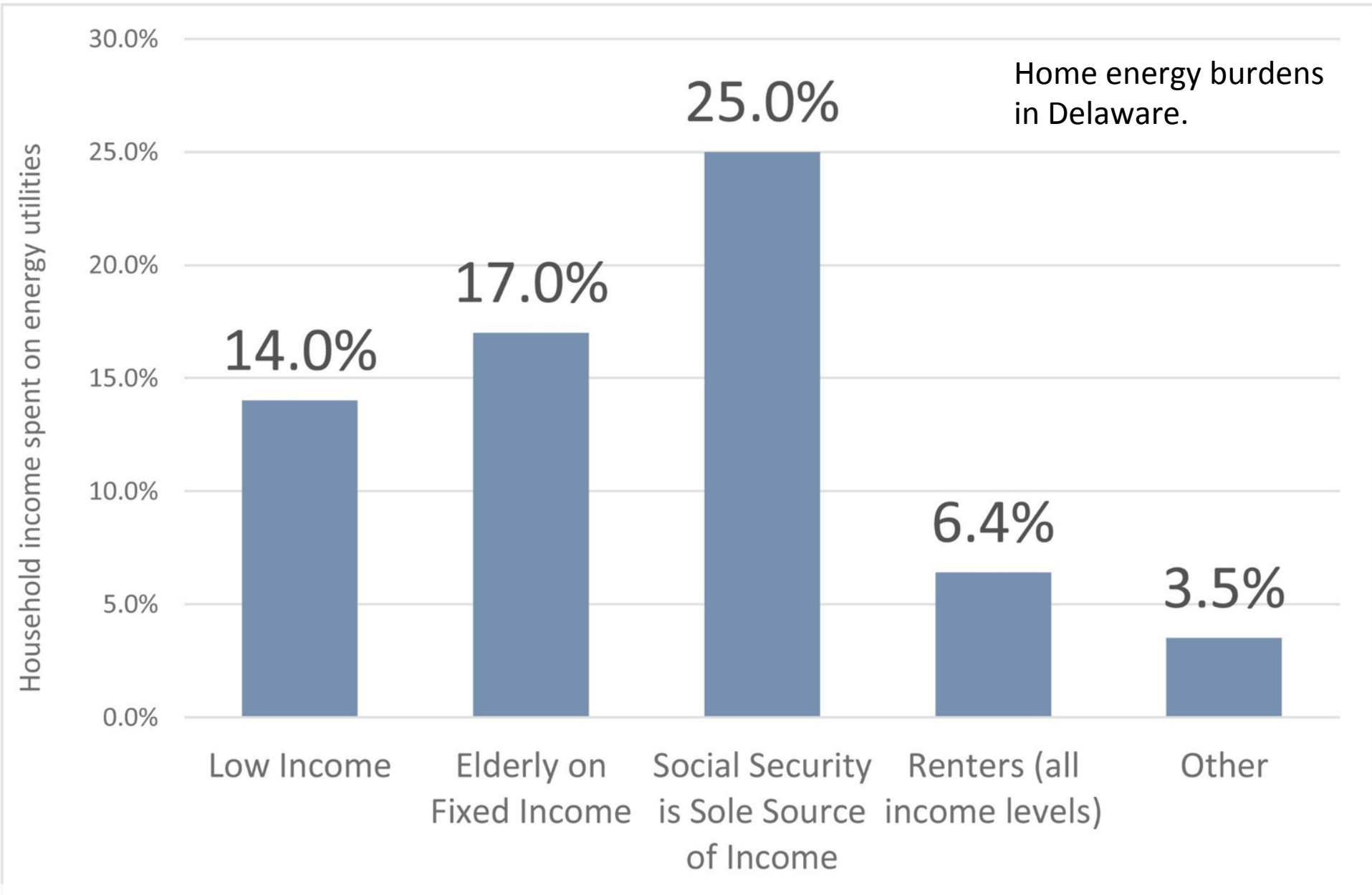
Greenhouse gas emissions lead to climate change.

A high-contrast, low-key photograph showing the silhouette of a person's head and shoulders in profile, facing right. They are wearing a white, full-face respirator mask with a circular filter on the side. The background is a bright, multi-paned window, creating a strong backlight effect that silhouettes the person. The overall mood is somber and urgent.

Air pollution harms our health.

Electricity prices are high





High energy costs impact those most in need.

The Clean Power Plan

- The EPA's first-ever plan to limit carbon emissions from power plants.
 - Authority under the Clean Air Act
- Nationwide carbon emissions will be reduced ~32% by 2030 under the plan (“glide-path”).
- EPA has sets unique state goal and each state gets to plan how they will meet that goal.
- Delaware's goal is MUCH too low.
 - Emissions could actually INCREASE in early years.

Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative

- 9 Northeast States make up RGGI
- Regional “cap and trade” system
 - Emissions in the region are “capped” by only selling a limited number of pollution credits each year. Revenue from sales distributed to states.
 - The cap declines 2.5% annually
- RGGI States do a “Program Review” every 4 years to evaluate and update the program.
 - We need more aggressive reductions to achieve 100% clean energy and climate justice.

Things we need from CPP & RGGI

- Strong Environmental Justice analysis including *inclusive & accessible* stakeholder process.
- Commitment from Delaware & RGGI states NOT to trade pollution credits with other markets.
- Commitment from Delaware & the other Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative states to go **above & beyond** the CPP requirements as required by the urgency of climate change.
 - Cap should decline by at least 5%/year
 - Loopholes must be removed

What can you do?

- **Join our energy team!** (Talk to Stephanie)
- Submit a letter to the editor
- Attend a DNREC public workshop on the CPP
 - Millsboro Senior Center - date TBA
- Save energy in your own home/business
- Educate your friends & colleagues
- Advocate for more efficient use of energy in your town/church/job and our state.

Environmental Justice Training

- Cosponsored by Environmental Justice & Health Alliance, Coming Clean, and others.
- Friday 6-9pm and Saturday 9am-4pm
- Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew & Matthew
— 719 N. Shipley St. Wilmington, DE 19801
- Topics: Clean Power Plan, RGGI and why/how community members can & must be heard.
- Sign in with your email address to be sent all the details via email.

Keep in touch!

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