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Dear Governor Haley,

Thank you for your response to my letter of October 27th regarding the potential closing of Century Aluminum's Mt. Holly plant. The South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce Rapid Response Team was here yesterday to provide an overview of their services as you stated they would be. However, we have not given up yet and are still determined to find a way to keep this plant operational.

Yesterday, a group of fifty plus Mt. Holly employees went to Santee Cooper to request that Lonnie Carter or another executive share the **details** with us as to how other Santee Cooper rate payers would be subsidizing Mt. Holly's operation since the Century CEO pledged to compensate the utility for twenty-five percent of the transmission capacity of that out of state power if it was needed by the company. I'm referencing the November 27th Post and Courier article titled [Century Aluminum's fate could be decided at special Santee Cooper board meeting](#). No one would from Santee Cooper would speak to the Mt. Holly employees. Today, Lonnie Carter agreed to have a closed door session with a small group of Mt. Holly employees and refused to allow them to tape the meeting or divulge the contents to the news media. It is unfathomable to me that a state employee can wield so much power and be so completely nontransparent in conducting his duties. Not only does this behavior cast a dark shadow on the public utility, but on the business friendly state of South Carolina as well.

Governor Haley, you are his leader. **PLEASE, PLEASE strongly urge him to share the details behind the statement that allowing Mt. Holly to get one hundred percent of its power from out of state through Santee Cooper transmission lines hurts other rate payers, when the offer to compensate the utility for loss of that transmission capacity is on the table for Mr. Carter and the board of Santee Cooper to accept.** We are talking about the loss of livelihood for 600 families in addition to the spinoff economic impact. The public deserves to understand what is behind this seeming veil of secrecy.

Respectfully,

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