LWVDE Energy Position

Renewable Energy Portfolio

The League of Women Voters of Delaware:

1. Supports an increase in the percentage of renewable energy sources in Delaware's Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard (RPS) provided that they:

- have minimum environmental impact;
- use the best current technology as measured by reliability, proven effectiveness, and being state-of-the-art;
- have long range cost effectiveness including all net costs such as health and environmental costs, state and federal subsidies, and price stability.

2. Supports measures ensuring that total electricity sales in Delaware be required to meet the RPS.32.

Transmission and Distribution

The League of Women Voters of Delaware supports:

1. Maximizing the development and delivery of renewable energy to Delaware when designing and developing new transmission plans for the region.

2. In addition to delivering reliable, adequate electric service to Delaware, the key factors to be considered in making a decision on any transmission plan/transmission enhancements are:

- Degree of environmental impact;
- Degree of utilization of the transmission for renewable resource power vs. fossil-fuel generated power;
- True cost, including all cost-externalities;
- Safety and security of the grid.