

Municipalities and the Clean Energy Jobs Act

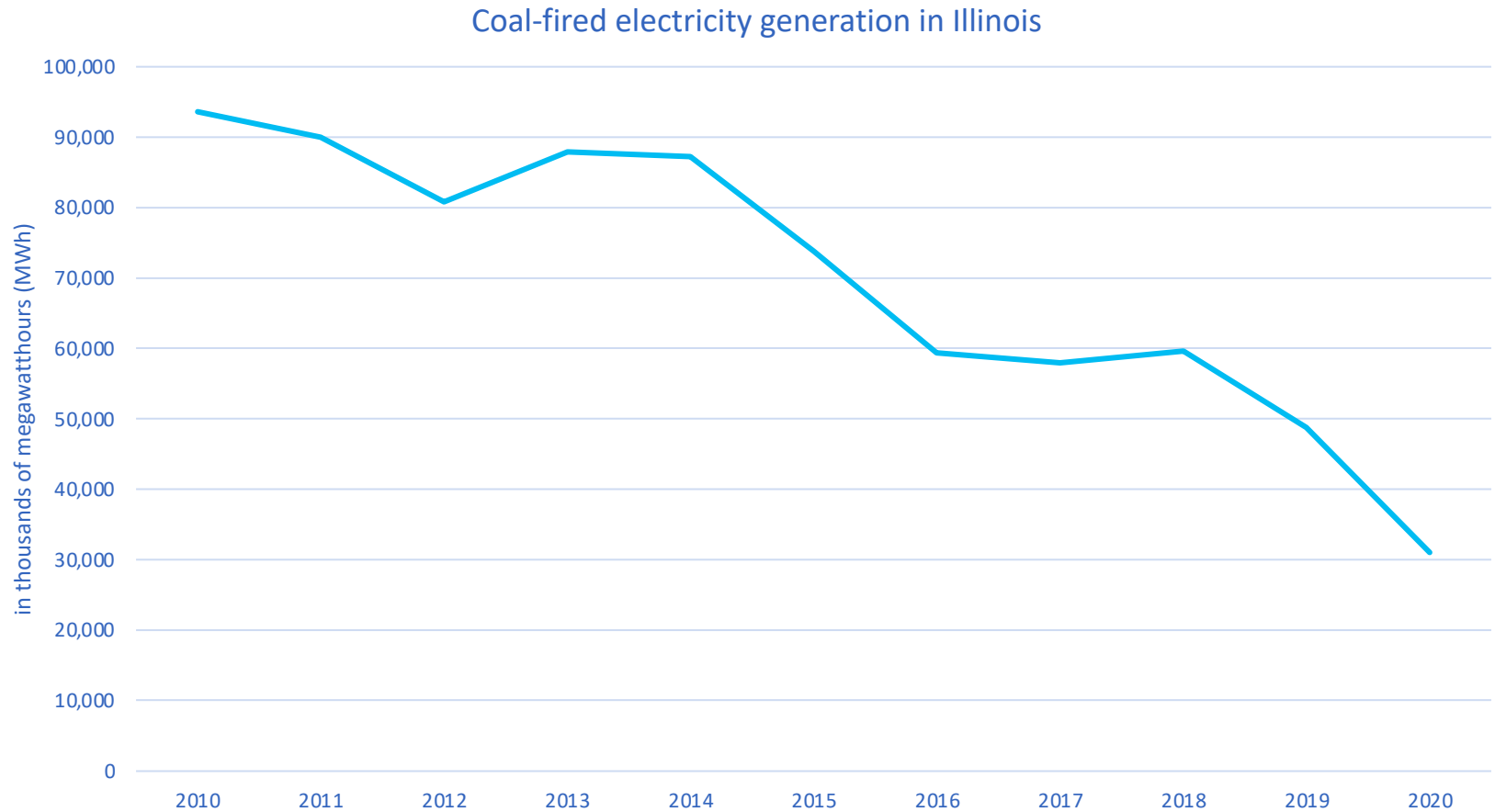


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100% fossil fuel-free electric grid



Why “just transition”?



Support when fossil fuel power plants close



- Five years of tax replacement for municipalities when fossil fuel power plants close
- Economic development support and tax incentives for clean energy

Enables stretch building codes



- Current law bars many municipalities from adopting building codes that encourage cleaner, more efficient buildings
- CEJA removes that barrier and would allow Illinois municipalities to adopt stretch building codes

Support for electric fleets and transit



- Incentives for vehicles and infrastructure to electrify school buses, transit, and government fleets
- Carbon-Free Last Mile of Commutes Program to expand transit access

Community Energy, Climate, and Jobs Plans



- Enables municipality-led stakeholder processes for energy and climate planning
- These planning processes open funding opportunities through the Carbon-Free Last Mile of Commutes Program and Clean Energy Empowerment Zone pilot projects

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