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Hi Bob,

Just wondering if you happened to see this anywheres:

EIP Releases List of the 50 Dirtiest Power Plants (July 27, 2006) – The

Environmental Integrity Project (EIP) released a report listing the nations' 50 mostpolluting power plants. In the report – which is based on EPA's CO₂, NO_x and SO₂ data from 2005 and mercury data from 2004, as well as electrical generation data from the Department of Energy – EIP ranks close to 400 large power-plants across the nation. "Even as some of America's dirtiest power plants start to clean up their act, scores of large, old, and inefficient electricity-generating facilities that fail to use available technology continue to pollute the nation's air" EIP said. Overall, EIP found that the 50 most-polluting plants, while generating a small portion of the electricity, are responsible for about 38 percent of SO₂ emissions, 22 percent of NO_x and 30 percent of mercury. However, EIP noted a slight decrease in SO₂ emissions compared to previous years, as many coal-fired power plants install scrubbers to meet deadlines imposed by federal and state rules. Unfortunately, mercury emissions have remained steady and CO₂ emissions, because of the lack of regulation, are moving upward across the board. The report is entitled *Dirty Kilowatts: America's Most Polluting Power Plants*. [For further information:

www.environmentalintegrity.org/pubs/Dirty%20Kilowatts.pdf]