

NC Families First  
 “Boots”  
 30 second TV  
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<p>SUPER: Dan River, North Carolina            Source: WTVD, 10/3/14</p> <p>SUPER: <b>Chad Barefoot. Voted to let Duke Energy raise your electric bill.</b>            Source: S729, 8/20/14; WCNC, 8/20/14</p>	<p>Put your boots on North Carolina. We've got work to do.</p> <p>Duke Energy's toxic coal ash is polluting our rivers.</p> <p>But they're not paying to clean it up. We are.</p> <p>That's because Chad Barefoot voted to let Duke Energy raise our electric bills...</p> <p>...to pay for their mess.</p>	<p>“Federal environmental officials spurred North Carolina regulators to reverse a policy allowing Duke Energy to drain massive amounts of polluted wastewater from its coal ash dumps directly into the state's rivers and lakes, according to documents.” [AP, 10/3/14]</p> <p>Vote: S729 [8/20/14]</p> <p>WCNC-TV: <b>Duke can pass coal ash costs to customers.</b> “As North Carolina's legislative leaders are congratulating themselves on the imminent passage of a coal ash cleanup bill, the first in the nation, democrats and environmentalists are warning of a coming consumer backlash since the bill would allow Duke to stick the ratepayers with future cleanup costs.” [8/20/14]</p> <p>“Duke Energy has committed to paying for the cost of cleaning up the Dan River spill, but company executives have said they may seek rate hikes in order to help pay the disposal costs. The measure does place a moratorium on Duke asking for any rate increases associated with coal ash cleanup, but it expires on Jan. 15... those voting against the measure cited the cost issue as a major factor in their opposition. Rep. Pricey Harrison, D-Guilford, said power customers could see their rates rise \$20-to-\$30 per month if they were asked to cover all the costs.” [WRAL, 8/20/14]</p> <p>“The bill allows Duke Energy to request rate increases to clean up the coal ash after January 2015, a provision the</p>

		<p><u>Senate and the utility wanted.</u> An earlier House version of the bill would have pushed that date back to December 2016. Harrison pointed out the coal ash cleanup costs are expected to top \$10 billion — costs that could, under this bill, be paid by consumers and not Duke Energy’s shareholders.” [News &amp; Record, 8/20/14]</p>
<p>Image of Barefoot campaign finance reports</p>	<p>No wonder Duke Energy's given thousands to Barefoot.</p>	<p>SBOE Financial Reports. Donations on 8/17/12 and 11/12/13.</p>
<p>Headlines: <b>Duke Energy turns profit of nearly \$3B</b> [Charlotte Observer, 2/18/14];</p> <p><b>Duke CEO: Customers will cover coal ash removal</b> [WRAL, 3/7/14]</p> <p><b>SUPER: Chad Barefoot. He's for Duke Energy, not us.</b></p> <p>Disclaimer: Paid for by N.C. Families First. Not authorized by any political party, candidate or committee.</p>	<p>They make billions while polluting our rivers, and we get stuck with the bill.</p> <p>Chad Barefoot. The Senator for Duke Energy. Not us.</p>	<p>Charlotte Observer: <b>Duke Energy turns profit of nearly \$3B.</b> “Duke Energy hit its 2013 earnings target on the strength of its merger with Progress Energy, higher customer rates and a strong finish to the year. Profits of \$2.7 billion for the year earned \$3.76 a share, compared with the \$1.8 billion and \$3.07 a share in 2012, Duke said Tuesday.” [2/13/14]</p> <p>WRAL: <b>Duke CEO: Customers will cover coal ash removal.</b> “Duke Energy Chief Executive Lynn Good said Friday that customers will shoulder most of the cost of emptying out the utility's 31 coal ash ponds in North Carolina. Good's comments, first reported by The Charlotte Observer, were confirmed Friday evening by Duke spokeswoman Paige Sheehan. Sheehan stressed that the company, not its customers, will pay to clean up the recent 39,000-ton coal ash spill in the Dan River. <u>But if the state requires the utility to close down and move its other existing ash pits, then utility customers, not shareholders, will likely pay most of that cost.</u>” [3/17/14]</p>