

Alliance to Halt Fermi 3

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DTE began construction on the original Fermi nuclear power plant in 1963, in Monroe, Michigan. Fermi Unit 1 never produced any useful amount of electricity. Instead it destroyed itself with a partial meltdown in 1966, and nearly took Detroit and Toledo with it. You can read all about it in the book, *We Almost Lost Detroit*.

Fermi 2 started up in 1988, at the same site on the shores of Lake Erie. It is the same basic design (General Electric Mark 1 containment) as the smaller reactors at Fukushima that melted down in March of 2011. Fermi 2 hasn't melted down yet. It could, in exactly the same way as the Fukushima plants, if it is not dismantled.

Now, DTE wants to build a new nuclear power plant - Fermi 3 - in Monroe, MI, next to the first two. These atomic power plants were a bad idea in the 20th Century. They were dangerous and expensive then. By now, we ought to know better. The Alliance to Halt Fermi 3 is working to stop this one because we are in the danger zone.

Fermi 3 is a new, untried design, the "Economically Simplified Boiling Water Reactor." It is being sold as a safer design. 5 other American utility companies decided not to buy it, leaving DTE as the sole remaining American customer. Unfortunately, building one is the only way to find out if it really is safer, or if the designers cut too many corners while making it "economical" and "simplified."

We - the people of SE Michigan and NE Ohio - don't want to be the experimental test subjects. We don't want to pay the *\$15 billion* estimated cost or the additional billions in predictable cost overruns or the billions in cleanup costs if the experiment does not work, or permanently evacuate the region if the worst happens.

The **Alliance to Halt Fermi 3** will hold public meetings in conjunction with allied community groups; make videos, speakers, printed materials and presentations available; and attempt to educate the public and political leaders by way of the press, letters from individuals and anything in between we can think of.

We support clean energy, sustainable jobs and non-violent resistance to nuclear power. Take a look at our website, ATHF3.ORG. You'll find upcoming events, print-your own leaflets, a way to sign up for our newsletter, and much more. We hope you will think it over and join us, or at least donate to the effort.

To join or donate, make a check payable to **Alliance to Halt Fermi 3** or **ATHF3**.
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