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I am disappointed that there has been so little opportunity for public engagement and feedback as plans for the Dickerson Data Center moves forward. The Data Center will place intense demands on the Potomac River, a public resource, for functioning. Yet there are no regulations in place to deal with the consequences and strain it may put on this valuable water resource. Have other sources of energy been considered for Data Centers? Shouldn't the public be involved in discussions on how to pay for the energy consumption of Data Centers? Please pause the development of the Dickerson Data Center. It is rushing forward under the pressure of competition among those who seek to gain a foothold on AI with private enterprise profits at the expense of the public.

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