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Morgantown to Cease Burning Coal



GenOn Holdings, LLC, has announced that its Morgantown Generating Station in southern Maryland will cease burning coal in 2027 but continue to generate electricity with natural gas and oil. The end of coal burning at the plant will also mean the end of coal drags to Morgantown along CSX's Popes Creek Subdivision, a former PRR line.

On March 10, 2003, Mike Schaller caught CSX 595 at the plant. The locomotive is a GE AC44CW built in August 2002 with serial number 53720. Behind it is CSX 573, a GE AC44CW built one month earlier with serial number 53698. In 2027 the sight of such locomotives pulling coal trains to Morgantown will become a memory.