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**Opposing Corby BESS Project site**

*Additional submitted attachment is included below.*

Dear Commissioners,

My name is Elizabeth Stalcup, and I firmly oppose the Corby BESS Project. My concern is based on real-world evidence, not assumptions or reassurance statements. We have already seen large-scale BESS failures in California, including the 2025 Moss Landing fire and the 2024 thermal runaway event at Otay Mesa both facilities were originally promoted as safe, reliable, and state-of-the-art. Their failures prove that initial safety claims do not guarantee long-term operational safety.

Even though Corby proposes a newer outdoor technology model, these systems do not have decades of proven incident-free operational history, and newer does not mean risk-free. Outdoor BESS systems have already caught fire at other sites, and no one can promise that this project will not experience the same catastrophic failures.

The core issue is uncertainty. If the safest, most advanced BESS sites in California have already failed, there is no basis to assume this one will not, especially when placed near homes, farmland, and existing families.

We must follow the precautionary siting principle, just as was done in the early days of nuclear energy: until long-term safety is proven, do not place high-risk emerging technology next to communities.

I respectfully ask the CEC to deny or relocate the Corby BESS Project to a properly zoned industrial location, not next to residents. Public safety must come first.

Thank you.