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November 17, 2015

The Honorable Robert Weisenmiller, Ph.D.  
Chairman  
California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: High Desert Power Project**

Dear Chairman Weisenmiller:

I am writing on behalf of the City of Victorville regarding the High Desert Power Project. As you make decisions related to the future of this project, please keep in mind its positive effect on the city's and region's economy.

City leaders work every day to help develop meaningful employment opportunities for our residents. Given the economic downturn in recent years, particularly challenging in this region, we are working even harder now.

The High Desert Power Project is a major employer and one of the largest taxpayers in the region. Last year, the plant estimates they provided more than \$8.5 million in salaries for local workers and payments for locally acquired services and supplies. Local property taxes and related payments generated another \$2.5 million. The amendment before you will allow the plant to purchase more recycled water from the City of Victorville.

From a community perspective, contributions from High Desert Power Project employees have also been considerable. They work with the Mojave Environmental Education Consortium and the Victorville Chamber of Commerce, and take part in events ranging from the High Desert Opportunity Day to Toys for Tots. All told, the plant estimates employees donated more than 250 hours of service last year.

For its value to the economy and the community, we support this plant and hope you will consider these important factors in deciding on the amendment before you.

Sincerely,

Douglas B. Robertson  
City Manager  
City of Victorville

cc: Karen Douglas, Commissioner, California Energy Commission  
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