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## **Responsible Clean Energy - Not Toxic Power Plants**

Global warming is not to be denied. We have the capability to transition from an extractive reliant energy economy to a renewable energy economy. I join with others in expressing the urgency to develop sustainable energy development and demand that the CEC issue an order for a new Request for Offer to be conducted for companies to bid to develop and provide renewable energy and storage options.

In addition, environmental racism is not to be denied. The community of Oxnard will bear the brunt of the toxic emissions, hazardous waste and illnesses associated with the operations of power plants. The residents of Oxnard and the secondary site for consideration, Santa Paula are predominately Latino with nearly 30% being immigrant, and are agricultural workers. Their children's school will be less than 1/2 mile from the power plant. This pattern of environmental racism must halt here. The claim that the power plan will provide jobs is bogus. A power plant such as the one proposed for Oxnard will at the most provide 40 jobs. The construction of the plant will provide temporary jobs for a few hundred workers. This claim does not meet criteria for decent sustainable, healthy and safe job creation that our society and the planet needs at this time. It is my understanding that California is producing a surplus with regard to power. Finally, this power plant will take advantage of cap and trade to meet emission reduction requirements. This is unacceptable and is a scientifically insufficient way to reduce global warming, it serves only to put profits into the pockets of the NRG.