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Reject the Puente Power Project

Dear Submit your public comment,

I am writing to urge you to reject the Puente Power Project.

California's leadership has already worked to pass legislation to move us to 100% renewable energy by 2045. Right now, solar modules have dropped well below \$1 per watt, and robust deep cycle storage is falling similar pricing trajectories, with costs substantially below \$1 per watt hour.

Renewables with storage are on track to be the cheapest form of dispatchable energy. Natural gas, however, still emits carbon and is at odds with California's renewable energy goals. Furthermore, California is taking efforts to reduce criteria pollutants, such as NOx emissions from stationary and mobile sources.

As NOx regulations continue to tighten, the cost of removal at natural gas plants will escalate, further making the Puente project uneconomical.

Rather than planning for 40-years of costly fossil energy, you should be working to promote California's low-carbon energy goals.

Sincerely, Jeff Kessler