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California Energy Commission  
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Re: Opposition to the Puente Power Project, Ventura County (Docket No. 15-AFC-01)

Dear Chair Weisenmiller and Commissioners,

I am writing in strong opposition to the proposed NRG Puente Power Project. Ventura County does not need another gas-fired power plant. According to the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District, by 2021 the Puente Power Project will increase NOx emissions by close to 30 tons per year. The direction of Ventura County and of the State of California is away from these polluting energy sources and toward cleaner and renewable energy.

As renewable energy has become cost effective and abundant, there is an important question of why a new gas-fired power plant would be needed, particularly with the recent growth of large-scale electrical storage projects. When electricity companies in other states are being given or are paid to take surplus electricity from solar power plants so that California gas-fired power plants can continue to run, it makes no sense to move forward with the Puente project. This project would soon become obsolete and would be an environmental and financial debacle for achieving greenhouse gas emission reductions and for ratepayers who demand clean and affordable energy. I respectfully ask that the Commission consider the great strides we have made toward a renewable energy future and put a halt to the Puente Power Project.

Sincerely,

Linda Parks  
Ventura County Supervisor, 2<sup>nd</sup> District