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## Aliso Canyon Winter Risk Assessment: why Aliso needs to be closed

I am requesting that the Aliso Canyon gas storage facility be permanently shut down.

- 1. The facility was offline for over 640 days following the 2015 blowout WITHOUT one single blackout that was attributable to the unavailability of the facility.
- 2. Many engineering studies have shown that the facility isn't needed for energy reliability.
- 3. The Santa Susana fault transverses ALL of the wells at the site. If the fault erupts, those wells could be damaged, releasing all the contents. According to earthquake experts, if the southern end of the San Andreas fault erupts, the resulting energy can set off faults in the Los Angeles area, with the same effect on the Aliso wells.
- 4. According to SB-380, the facility should have remained closed "until a comprehensive review of the safety of the gas storage wells at the facility is completed, as specified, the supervisor determines that well integrity has been ensured by the review, the risks of failures identified in the review have been addressed, the supervisor's duty to prevent damage to life, health, property, and natural resources, and other requirements is satisfied.†By reopening the site without a root cause analysis as well as without a seismic study that was requested by geologists, the Department of Conservation violated the spirit and letter of this law.
- 5. SoCalGas continues to act irresponsibility and not in the interest of the communities who reside near Aliso. It has fought funding a proper health study and it has continued to act in secret and without transparency when it comes to informing the local residents. To this date, it has refused requests on part of the LA department of Public Health and local residents to release a comprehensive list of all materials used in its wells over the years, including toxic chemicals that are being associated with diagnosed cases of cancer by those residing and working nearby. For these reasons alone (there are other points I can bring up), Southern California can't run the risk of having this facility remain open.

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