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**Re: IVANPAH SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM**

**(Docket Number 07-AFC-5)**

To whom it may concern,

I am writing as a concerned member of a science class at Saint Leo University in Florida. We studied the proposal in class, and I personally question your rationale in approving the Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System (ISEGS) project. The project, even with the mitigation measures described in the Decision Report, will have remaining significant impacts on the environment that outweigh the benefits. Although to you, this project is a great idea and convenient for some solar power, it is also very harmful to the animals within the environment. I think I speak for many caring people when I say that this is a perfect example of animal cruelty. Since when did America become a nation where we place projects that can have very harmful effects to wildlife? This project should be stopped immediately. It is not right to just ruin the lives of animals when that is where they live. This is public property, and it is home to tortoises. How would you like it if someone just decided to place a solar system right on top of your home without at least place you somewhere else. These animals should not have to be removed or killed or placed somewhere else, the solar system should. There are plenty of other places in which the Ivanpah Solar System can go, for example skyscrapers within cities or even areas where there is no wildlife. If this company truly cared about the world and its environment they would not be damaging the lives of these animals in their environment. Even if there is a way to safely remove these species and place them into a similar type of environment where they would be able to survive, you would be wasting time and money just for some solar system that could be placed somewhere un-harmful.

Please, do not approve the Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System.

Sincerely yours,

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