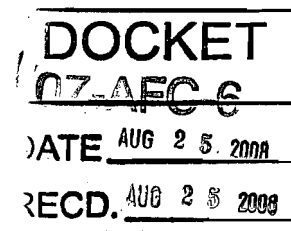


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 Thank you.

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 The Honorable James Boyd, Vice Chair
 California Energy Commission
 1516 Ninth St,
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RE: Carlsbad Energy Center Project, 07-AFC-6

Dear Sir:

As a resident of Ocean Hill Country Club, located in Oceanside on the east border of Carlsbad, I would like to express my dismay at the prospect of having an unsightly power plant with its attendant noise directly outside our community's walls. This would be the case if Carlsbad is allowed to abandon their current site and move the power plant to the area of the Merkel Reservoir.

The negative impact on the Ocean Hills Country Club retirement community would be tremendous, lowering our property values substantially. Many of us retirees, especially the recent "baby boomers" in the community purchased our homes at the height of the real estate market boom. Our homes have already suffered deflation and since our homes are a major portion of our retirement nest-eggs we cannot afford another blow to our property values. This is not the case for properties near the existing site, as people purchased their properties with full knowledge of the plants existence. To impose this economic blow to the 1600+ homes in the Ocean Hills Country Club community as well as others in neighborhoods adjacent to us would be very unfair.

Beside the negative economic impact noted above, it is also obvious that moving the plant from the existing location would have many inherent added costs for running new lines that would not be needed since they already exist at the current site, plus numerous other infrastructure costs that a new site would require. All this would only serve to further increase the cost of some of the most expensive electricity in the country. This too would be very unfair to us citizens.

I urge you to approve this energy project AT THE PROPOSED SITE near the NCTD railroad

tracks and I-5 in Carlsbad, which is an ideal location and a much less costly choice for the area's electricity users. Small businesses, retirees and young families in the area shouldn't have to bear unnecessary rate hikes that a relocation to the Merkel Reservoir area would cause.

Thank you for your kind and thoughtful consideration of our concerns.

Regards,

Joanne Goglia,
Retiree