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Dear Mr. Solorio,

I write to you today in support of the Solar Millennium project in the Indian Wells Valley.

I am a life long resident of the Indian Wells Valley and a former Geologic Consultant. As such, I am well aware of the local ground water situation. The Solar Millennium project has been designed to mitigate the water usage of their proposed solar-electric plant. The most impressive step being the use of dry-cooling technology: a more expensive technique than wet cooling, but far more considerate of the hydrologic conditions. They will also take the additional steps of purchasing, and making fallow, local farmland, and of offering cash incentives to residents who are willing to exchange their lawns for more desert friendly landscaping.

It is my opinion that the Solar Millennium project will be a thoughtful neighbor and a careful user of the local resources. I urge you to accept their mitigation plan and allow them to move forward with the project.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Best regards,

Mr. David Saint-Amand

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