To whom it may concern,

   With the way the Bay Area is going, we have enough problems with air pollution so it is to my concern that Hayward does not need to be the host of two major power plants in its city.

   I understand that in the past some votes were made in favor to pass the proposal of Calpine Corp, to build the 600-megawatt Russell City Energy Center in Hayward by the Hayward City Council. But the proposal to build the 115-megawatt Eastshore Energy Center by Tierra Energy is simply out of the question. The Bay Area already has enough problems with pollution, by buses, vehicles, and other objects that are a part of our daily lives. In regards to the power plant concerns, Matt O'Brien argues in his article "Commission has the Power," that there already is enough pollution hovering over Hayward and that's not even including the whole Bay Area. "You can look out the window right now and understand it doesn't take much to make particulate matter worse." (Page 15). O'Brien argues how the building of the two power plants would make matters worst for the pollution that we already have. As for the Calpine Corp and Tierra Energy offering the residents of Hayward a discount to retrofit their home fireplaces into cleaner home heating systems, is just a bribe to the residents of Hayward for their approval of the power plants. Which I think is the responsibility of the energy commission to come up with a solution for Hayward residents to reduce the amount of pollution each resident's home contributes to the air. According to O'Brien, another part of Hayward that will be affected by the power plants pollution is the Hayward Airport. The power plants will produce enough pollution that will interfere with the pilots being able to land their planes on the run way.

   In regards to Calpine Corp and Tierra Energy building two major power plants in Hayward, is not a good idea. The Bay Area has enough problems with air pollution to worry about us adding more to the problem, than reducing it.

Sincerely,

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