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Please docket for the Mariposa project

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Dear Mr. Hoffman,

I am a Mountain House resident, and attended public workshop on Nov. 29th.

I appreciate the opportunity to learn about the impacts of the power plant.

Following are my question and comments:

1) The figure 1 during the workshop showed Mariposa in center, Mtn House to east and hills to the west. It also showed, pollutant in the hills to west, but none coming to Mtn House. If I understood correctly, this was due to colder temperatures in the hills. But there are couple of problems with the above scenerio: Most of the times winds flow from west to east, so there is more probability of pollutants coming to MH than going to Hills. Also, the hills might be colder in summer compared to MH, it's the other way around at times in other seasons. I think, these possibilities should be considered in future reports.

2) We, Mtn House residents, would appreciate, if there is a bigger emphasis on economic and social impact of the plant. Here are the reasons:

Currently, MH residents pay high utility bills and property taxes to pay for the development cost of a new community. Our hope is that MH develops in to full fledged city with 40-50K residents, so new residents also share the costs. If the plant comes, Mtn House may never develop into the city planned, and the current residents, who are already burdened by nation's highest foreclosure rates, will continue to pay big taxes and utilities. In addition, house price and rent drop will hurt.

Please consider combined cost of current house price drop and future non-development.

3) We would appreciate, workshops/hearing in Mtn House, particularly in the late evenings or weekends, as many residents commute farther in bay area.

Again, Thanks to you and staff members for hearing our concerns,

Kishor Bhatt