Mrs. Farron,



Attached is my letter in opposition to the Mariposa power plant that is being built on the Alameda County/San Joaquin boarder. Know that I will do everything in my power to oppose this power plant. I have been opposed to it from the day I heard about it.

Thank you for your time,

Abram Wilson

Letter:

October 26, 2010

Commissioner Jeffrey D. Byron Commissioner Robert Weisenmiller, PhD California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Commissioners Byron and Weisenmiller,

I write today to discourage your approval of the Mariposa Energy Project being proposed by Diamond Generating Corporation. While I applaud the steps this project takes toward the goals of improving our state's energy infrastructure and compliance with the environmental regulations in AB 32, I take issue with the proposed location of the project.

I ask that the Commission consider that, while the location is within unincorporated Alameda County, it is only 2.5 miles from the semi-rural community of Mountain House. The residents of Mountain House are currently struggling with falling property values and one of Northern California's highest foreclosure rates. Prior to the foreclosure crisis, Mountain House was a blossoming town with a plan for twelve schools and a vibrant commercial corridor. Further negative pressure to property values with nearby smoke stacks and pollution would add another serious detriment to recovery.

Furthermore, the specific location of the project on the border of Alameda and San Joaquin Counties negates any tax benefit for Mountain House to offset the negative impact of such a close proximity plant. I understand the need for improvements to California's energy production capabilities and do not oppose the eventual approval of this project. I simply request that the commission denies approval until a location be found that does not jeopardize the vitality of one of our communities. If elected to the State Assembly this year, I intend to pursue a series of public hearings on this matter to ensure the CEC fully understands the impact to nearby communities.

Respectfully Yours, Abram Wilson Candidate, California Assembly District 15