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Patricia,

My spouse, Susan and I being local residents of Redondo Beach have witnessed some positive growth along the pier area of the city and frequently encounter visitors from around the world who come to visit the area, particularly during periods of the annual whale migration. Our beach city plays a major role in the ocean ecosystem along our state's coastline.

Redondo Beach has been the backdrop of a number of TV shows and films in the past such as 90210, Disney's Zeke and Luther, Law and Order Los Angeles and several other programs. The current eyesore and antiquated technology of the AEA power plant is not compatible and consistent with the future of our city and the potential it has for attracting clean positive growth through tourism, film and other businesses that stimulate the local economy without detrimental impacts to our air quality and the changing economic direction of our city in the future.

The AES power plant should have been more proactive many years ago and upgraded their facilities to much more efficient and cleaner technology instead of waiting so long to discuss what improvements that would be made sometime before 2020. If they would have been more proactive with re-constructing a lower profile plant with cleaner and more efficient technology 10 years ago, they would have a valid reason to stay in our community.

Shame on them for not taking a more active leadership role in our community before the current development plans for our city that changes the direction of growth in a positive way.

Thank you kindly for your valuable time and consideration in this issue.

Kind regards,

Sam Jojola