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Dear Ms. Kelly----

I am a lifelong (69years as of last week) resident of the South Bay. My folks moved from Hermosa to Redondo in 1947. I have seen the tremendous, wondrous and yes sometimes overwhelming changes occur here. We lived on South Catalina Avenue until the seventies. I've never had an address that wasn't Redondo, Hermosa or Manhattan. I worked as an LA County Lifeguard in the 60s and 70s--- I watched the Harbor be built, the Pier burn and rebuild, the "Edison" plant (which all of us real locals still call it) go through its changes, and watched as people moved into this wonderful town and begin complaining about things that had been here long before they even heard of our town. Not only do we need electricity now and in the future, this issue also begs the property rights issue--- whether you are a homeowner, own a business, or you are AES---- if these people want to get rid of the AES plant, let them write a check---- as each of them shows up to speak in favor of getting rid of the plant, they can each put a check with their speaking request form.

Property rights and common sense dictate that a smaller, more effective plant and income producing properties around it are a no-brainer.

Thank You---Chris Gerold

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