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Opposed to a new power plant in Redondo Beach

Our family is gravely concerned about AES's™ plans to build a new power plant in Redondo Beach. We live in Hermosa Beach, and do not want to be exposed to the health and noise impacts of a new power plant in our backyard. Because of Hermosa Beach's proximity to the plant, with no buffers found in other communities that are adjacent to power plants, Hermosa Beach residents will be immediately exposed to excessive amounts of carbon monoxide, NOx, Ammonia and other pollutants. In fact, the proposed plant will produce 5-15 times the particulate pollution than it does now. It doesn't™ make sense that AES would be granted permission to exceed state and federal pollution guidelines in a coastal city with the densest population in California.

The current plant also exceeds noise ordinance standards in Redondo Beach - not just from the unplanned steam relief valve vents - the noise of the plant running under normal operations exceeds residential standards in Redondo Beach. When the current facility is running, my family can clearly hear the steady groan of the plant from the double-paned windows in our home. If AES is allowed to build the plant and they did not accurately predict the cumulative impacts of all of its noise generators in the site specific topography and urban environment that are right on its property lines, south bay residents will be severely impacted.

The new plant will be dirtier, noisier and provide little money to the city. This is the wrong place for a new power plant!

Sincerely,

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