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Attached pdf hopefully is the same as the following:

Friday, April 14th, 2023

California Energy Commission Commissioners and Project Managers California Energy Commission Secretariat cc: CEC Public Advisor

To Whom It May Concern:

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I cannot imagine what Santa Clara county might endure in terms of noise, diesel exhaust and/or lack of renewable diesel capacity, if the recent many proposed data centers are built with backup diesel generation engaging simultaneously during a formal emergency [expected to not happen per design]. Further, I am not certain how future backup generation and power generation designs can be genuinely proposed if diesel rules/regulations/goals are not clearer.

Please speak and/or write more in the near future with relevant information on California's plans for diesel, renewable diesel, diesel engine type and diesel capacity, or lack of.

Thanks for your time, positive clean energy and considerations.

Sincerely,

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Additional submitted attachment is included below.

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