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Strongly opposed Battery Storage facility

Hello Members of the Energy Commission,

I am writing in strong opposition to the Battery Energy Storage System project in San Juan Capistrano.

This project creates alarming safety, environmental, and community impact concerns. I live exactly across the freeway from the proposed site with my husband and three young daughters. This project makes me very nervous of the potential health risks due to accidental leaks and toxic chemicals. Also, we live in a dangerous brush fire zone. This project is just too close to our homes, schools and businesses here in San Juan Capistrano and its hazards are too great.

I would also like to address that this project will be highly visible from the backyard of my home. I live in a neighborhood full of multi million dollar homes. I am very saddened to think of the possibility of looking out my back patio upon a field of batteries where I currently see beautiful open space. This project will greatly impact the value of my home due to its unattractive aesthetic, increased noise and traffic to my area.

I understand the need for alternative forms of energy but I greatly implore the commission to please consider other locations that will have lower risk to our community. The residents of our community deserve to be heard in the matter of projects such as this and we are strongly urging the commission to deny approval.

Thank you for receiving this letter, Sincerely, Allyson Thompson