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Redondo Beach Power Plant

Dear Commissioner,

I support AES' decision to repower its existing plant. It appears to be a very well thought out plan that addresses all of the communities potential concerns.

The new plant will be more efficient using less natural gas to produce the same power, and also significantly reducing emissions.

The new plant will be smaller and quieter greatly improving the look and views of the waterfront, and also freeing up a great deal of space for other uses. This seems to fit right in with Redondo Beach's efforts to revitalize the waterfront area.

The new plant will be more flexible, which I understand is crucial for helping our state integrate renewable energy for which I'm a strong supporter.

And beyond the improvements to the plant itself, AES is investing \$500 million into this project, which will create local jobs and increase tax revenue and local services. And in this slow-to-improve economy, this is a major boon to our community.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Russell Pierson Hollywood Riviera Torrance, CA