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AES Redondo Beach

Dear Commissioner,

As a Redondo Beach resident and a former Redondo Beach councilmember, I'm writing to express my support for AES' plans to modernize its power plant for the following reasons.

First, with the recent closure of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, I can only assume that the state is in more need of electricity than ever. So eliminating a power plant does not seem reasonable. I certainly favor the shutting of a nuclear plant 60 miles away over keeping non-nuclear plant here

Second, replacing extremely old technology with newer, more efficient technology will undoubtedly improve efficiency and reduce emissions.

Third, I understand that the plant will be considerably smaller in size and use only about one-quarter of the existing property — opening up a great deal of land that I can only hope will become a part of our city's ongoing revitalization efforts.

Although, it is not very popular with other Redondo Beach residents, taking the power plant out of the area and putting it in a low income area is not fair to those who already have their share of pollution.

For these reasons, I support this application for a newer power plant in Redondo Beach. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Kevin Sullivan

Former Councilmember, City of Redondo Beach