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Opposing new AES power plant in Redondo Beach

As a Redondo Beach resident of 7 years, I am writing this in strong opposition to new AES power plant.

I can attest to loud noises and pollution. We lived downstream of the power plant for 2 years. One of the nights after we first moved in, I was awoken out of my bed by loud noise. At first I thought it was some sort of an explosion. I looked outside my balcony and found plume of smoke coming out of the power plant and loud noise coming from that direction. Another thing I noticed was lots of black dots on the leaves of plants on my balcony. I thought they were mold. But upon closer inspection, I realized they were soot glued onto the leaves due moisture from ocean.

Now we moved further south and upstream of the power plant, so there is no direct affect. But I do agree with many residents that power plant does not belong in densely populated area. Although proponents of power plant claim protecting the property rights, I don't think this is about property rights. I am not requesting CEC to take away the property rights from AES. I am requesting CEC to not to grant the permission to rebuild the power plant. I believe any licenses have time limits for reasons: re-evaluation as time progresses. Just because power plant was permitted to exist in Redondo Beach 50 years ago does not mean it has rights to continue to exist in later years.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Yang