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STOP HECA

I am writing in as a concerned resident of Bakersfield, CA. The proposed HECA plant in Buttonwillow, CA is absolutely concerning to myself and my family. Bakersfield currently has some of the worst air quality in the nation, and adding to that pollution would be absurd. With all the smog, particulate matter, agricultural pesticides and such that are emitted into our air on a daily basis, I would hate to see another contributor in our community. We have close family friends who live about a mile from the proposed plant location, and our children attend one of the schools in which the hazardous vehicles transporting these products will pass my numerous times a day. The thought of not feeling safe visiting our friends or continuing to attend our designated school breaks my heart. If our voices could be heard, and have this proposed plant denied, it would be a huge weight off our shoulders. On top of all that, our water resources being used in excess is horrible... we have been in a major drought. Farmers need that water more than HECA. Traffic along Stockdale Highway and Enos Lane are already dangerous enough, without all the new Hazmat vehicle traffic that will be along those roads (and past our school district). Please, please listen to the residents of Bakersfield!!! Please do not allow such a plant to be put in our community.