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Puente Project - Concerned Citizen

I am writing today regarding the Puente Project in Ventura County. My name is Ian Lilley I am in my junior year at Cal State University Channel Islands. I am apart of the business program CI and plan on entering their MBA programs after graduation. As someone who is beginning to establish themselves in the business community in Ventura County, the Puente Project means a lot to me.

While I do believe climate change is a significant challenge facing society it is my hope that we continue to explore and develop projects that use more renewable energy sources in the future. But that being said, I also donâ \in^{TM} t believe that halting ALL current energy projects that are not 100% renewable is the correct thing to do. This natural gas-fired plant is much better for the environment, the community, and more energy efficiency than the older plant. This is a huge improvement, and we are moving in the right direction. Being a student, I use energy all the time. Having reliable energy for my life is a MUST. I am constantly using energy all day, and any constraint on that would affect my academics and life in general. I want to establish myself her in Ventura County and these are important factors to consider. Iâ \in^{TM} m sure Iâ \in^{TM} m not alone in saying this, but students donâ \in^{TM} t have time for blackouts and power outages â $\in^{``}$ especially if they can be mitigated or avoided altogether. Having reliable energy is something I extremely value, appreciate, and support.

I sincerely hope you approve this project for the length of the contract. Hopefully by the time this plant is retired, our society will have made huge strides in transitioning to using more reliable, efficient, and affordable renewable energy.