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Dear Sir or Madam,

After living in Porter Ranch since 1988, it is clear to my wife and I that the past few years has confirmed what we have felt for some time:

We are living within one mile of a ticking time bomb.

Furthermore, **if those regulators who oversee the current Aliso Canyon disaster do not heed the clear warning signs presented by a major natural gas storage field located directly above a major earthquake fault -- they will have blood on their hands for all of history -- and it will be well recorded.**

Why? Because regulators and legislators who received a clear warning sign beginning in the fall of 2015 would have FAILED to grasp the full risk presented by the gas leak OR, worse, bowed to the economic pressure from the SoCal gas company and other economic interests.

Either way, the net result would be the same:

A disastrous decision would have been made by regulators and legislators who "kept their fingers crossed" that future disasters would not happen.

THIS is not a bet that most people would make if it was their mother, their father, their wife, or newborn children that were forced to live and grow up in such an environment - living with the inherent risk every single day.

Over the years, we have repeatedly smelled gas and called the gas company to complain -- thinking that it was a leak at our house. Now the disaster of the past few years have taken those concerns to a whole new level -- and made us more and more fearful of living in our own home and neighborhood.

Again, to have an outdated, repurposed gas storage facility this close in proximity to families and children is unconscionable!

To all those who have the opportunity to do the right thing at this time in history, let it be known that THIS IS THE OPPORTUNITY NOW TO DO THE RIGHT THING, and sadly, there may not be a second chance.

Regardless of what repairs or new safety protocols or policies are put in place, there can be no assurance that a storage field of this scope -- in earthquake territory -- located in the heart of high-fire danger zones -- is safe.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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