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## **Reject the Puente Power Project**

Dear Submit your public comment,

I am writing to urge you to reject the Puente Power Project.

This project would be damaging to California communities. The city of Oxnard already has some of the highest asthma rates in the state. We should be working to clean the air, not endanger California communities with more pollution.

Additionally, this project is uneconomical and unnecessary. This power plant would cost more than twice as much as it would cost to meet the same electricity needs with renewables. Clean energy solutions can create more good, local jobs in the Oxnard area -- for a fraction of the cost.

This is a project whose time has passed. Now more than ever, Californias leadership is essential to lead our nation toward a low-carbon, clean energy, and energy-efficient economy (especially in light of Mr. Trump's wrongheaded decision to pull out of the Paris Accord and make America second-rate for clean energy solutions). We aren't going to get there by building uneconomical or unnecessary projects with outdated technology that lock in more pollution and dependence on fossil fuels (especially foreign oil from Russia or Saudi Arabia, two countries that the US should not support economically).

I urge you to reject the gas-fired Puente Power Project. It would a lot easier to redesign and cheaper to replace this power plant with solar energy panels or wind energy turbines at a fraction of the cost.

Sincerely, Lawrence Wong