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**Subject:** RE: Great Oaks Backup Generating Facility

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Ms. Worrall, I am one of those concerned neighbors Nick Renna speaks about with very strong feelings about the Great Oaks Backup Generating Facility. I apologize for missing the original meeting, and perhaps for good reason as I am a little more composed than I would have been on that call.

Unlike Mr. Renna, I don't think the lack of notice advising the residents of this project was just an "ops we missed doing that step". Everyone concerned had to know that putting a project this big with obvious shortcomings 100 feet or so close to a residential area would get incredible opposition. Imagine how you would feel if it was that close to your doorstep.

This project had to be started some many years ago giving ample time I would hope to EVERYONE, to have an opportunity to come to the site and see this was an empty field almost surrounded on one side with homes separated only by a street. With a little more exploration over the hill a mile or so on the same street they would have found another colossal field next to (2) other PGE structure that this project could have been centered on.

I realize much has gone into this project, but at this stage not a shovel of dirt has been turned, I feel outraged that PG&E and the City would have tried to slip this through.

I respectfully ask you to help us, we need an ombudsman here, put yourself in our position. PG&E and the City have alternatives perhaps in the **TWO** facilities this organization has off of Monterey Road right over the hill, not to mention two enormous sections of land around each.

What's next from the city, oil drilling rigs on the street corner? This is incredible, I am hoping you can see the injustice here and can help stop this craziness.

If not, my next step is to try and find a newspaper and an attorney that's interested in a class action law suit and feels as outraged as I am. Imagine if you will and tell me if this is anyone's idea of a project to stick in a peaceful residential area?

- City approved 21 primary diesel generators in 2017
- Proposal in 2020 added 9 diesel generators for a total of 30 primary
- 30 Primary/6 redundant
- 9,200 K gal of diesel fuel per generator (above ground, under generator)
- 110,400 k gal of diesel fuel per building (12 diesel generators)
- 331,200 k gal diesel fuel total when site is operational

### Operational Plan

- Operate during power outage
- Operate during maintenance and testing
- Operate during pre-emptive shutdown due to fire danger

# • Environmental impact

- 1) Noise Levels????
- 2) Emissions produced????
- 3) Impact on City services?
- 4) Impact on water supply (is this coming from the Fairchild poisoned wells on Great Oaks Water Company land seems convenient?)
  - 343-acre feet of water used each year per building
    - Approximately 112 mil gallons of water per building yearly (And we are struggling for water here as it is)

# **Hazardous material**

- Tanker Trucks
  - 8500 k gal diesel fuel for delivery
  - Spill catch basins to prevent spillage to storm drain
    - No mention of preventing diesel from seeping into ground water
- · Fuel polishing
  - 12-month intervals
  - · Remove water, microorganism growth, dirt
    - Process undefined, potential spillage

# **Air Quality**

Exposed surfaces watered twice a day

- Haul trucks covered
- Public roads swept once a day by street sweepers
- Equipment idling time limited to 5 min

(note that the surrounding area of the building under construction  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile away is covered in dust in spite of efforts to mitigate the impact to air quality)

Now sit back and imagine the noise, dirt, traffic, fire hazard, and health issues.

Just imagine **the full disclosure** we need to give when trying to sell our homes. We need some compassionate assistance in stopping this project.

The help you give us and possibly hundreds others in this community may be the most important accomplishment in your career, there are a lot of very worthy families in this community that are going to be severely impacted without someone like you with more clout than we have.

Help us please.

I can be reached as follows for any discussion or suggestions.

Thank you for spending the time to consider our request.

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