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Mr. Christopher Meyer
Project Manager
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95833

Re: Chula Vista Peaker Plant Upgrade

Dear Mr. Meyer,

I live within a half mile of the peaker and I am writing to state my full support for the Chula Vista Energy Upgrade Project (CVEUP) being proposed at 3497 Main Street in Chula Vista. The peaker plant upgrade will increase the power supply to the local community and provide important voltage support to the local distribution network. The peaker will also help keep local distribution voltages and frequencies at normal levels during times of system strain or imbalance, such as during the October wildfires. Unlike larger generators, the proposed peaker can be started and brought to full power in ten minutes notice.

I am also pleased that the peaker being proposed is a simple-cycle power plant which uses significantly less water than a combined-cycle steam-cycle or steam turbine power plant. The LM6000 is a common turbine for peaker plants due to the turbine's energy efficiency and low emissions.

At a time when we the consumers are being asked to replace our old furnaces and appliances to more energy efficient models, it is in the best interests of the local community, and the State for that matter, to do the same thing on a larger scale. Local and state government is spending millions in rebates to help motivate consumers to upgrade their appliances and conserve energy and water and we have the opportunity to do that here in Chula Vista with the peaker upgrade. The upgrade project is not only good for the city's environment and energy reliability, but for its economy as well.

I urge the CEC's timely approval of the CVEUP to help us meet the growing peak demand in an already energy constrained region.

Sincerely,



Javier Lopez