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Ms. Jackalyne Pfannenstiel, Chair
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: MMC Energy Chula Vista Energy Upgrade Project

Dear Commissioner Pfannenstiel:

As you are aware, MMC Energy, Incorporated (MMC) proposes to upgrade their electrical generating plant in Chula Vista. As the Chula Vista Energy Upgrade Project (CVEUP) will occur on the northern portion of the current 3.8 acre site at 3497 Main Street, this will increase the separation between the peaker and the Otay Valley Regional Park. With the benefits to the community and the environment, I fully support the proposed upgrading and improvements to the existing facility as it will substantially increase the efficiency and capacity of energy generated on site while meeting higher emissions standards.

To help meet the region's needs, MMC Energy will upgrade its existing peaker to increase generating capacity from 44.5 MW to 100 MW. The installation of newer technology will result in a greater source of power with less fuel consumption and with decreased emissions per power produced. The reduction of oxides of nitrogen and carbon monoxide to minimal levels is a step in the right direction for local residents and the environment.

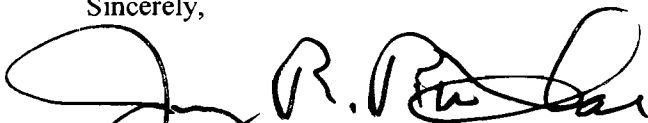
The peaker was originally approved by the City of Chula Vista in 2000 under a conditional use permit and operates primarily during peak season – May through September. Chula Vista's residents need local peak power generation to support local demand for electricity. The upgrade will fulfill the final project objective of reusing existing infrastructure, such as the existing transmission interconnection, water supply, and gas supply and will provide essential peak electric generation capacity with improved efficiency.

Property taxes generated by the CVEUP site would increase substantially due to the increased value of the new equipment proposed as part of the CVEUP. In addition, the CVEUP would help to further the redevelopment goals of the Southwest Redevelopment Area by ensuring that the industrial use onsite remains viable and complements ongoing industrial and commercial development in the area while minimizing impacts to the neighboring community.

For the above-stated reasons, I support and welcome this state-of-the-art facility which would provide a substantial tax benefit to the City as well as the designated redevelopment area while improving local energy reliability and meeting higher environmental standards.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Jerry Rindone
Deputy Mayor

BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application for Certification
For the **CHULA VISTA ENERGY
UPGRADE PROJECT**

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