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California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Chula Vista Energy Upgrade Project (07-AFC-4)

Dear Vice Chair and Presiding Committee Member Boyd and Commissioners:

I agree with California Energy Commission (CEC) Staff with respect to their conclusion that the "No Project Alternative" is not better than the proposed project because the "No Project" scenario would not address the need for peaking power in the San Diego Gas & Electric service area. Southwest Chula Vista needs the Chula Vista Energy Upgrade Project (CVEUP) in order to ensure that our local energy demand is met with an equal or perhaps greater energy generating capacity.

The peaker was sited in Chula Vista in response to California's energy crisis of 2000 and 2001 which led to a shortage in energy and recurring blackouts for 12 months. At the time, electricity bills skyrocketed for SDG&E customers. I for one do not want to revert back to a time of energy instability and fluctuating electricity bills. For this reason, I support the CVEUP and respectfully ask that the CEC rule in favor of it.

As a resident of the project area, I recognize the number of benefits the CVEUP will bring to the community. First and foremost, the CVEUP represents a newer, cleaner, and more efficient peaker with added energy generating capacity and substantially fewer air emissions. In addition, if the CVEUP is approved millions of dollars would be pumped into the City of Chula Vista in the form of utility, property, and sales taxes; taxes that would be invested towards some long overdue and very much appreciated projects all of which benefit Southwest Chula Vista.

In conclusion, I am in favor of the CVEUP and support its project objectives and benefits.

Sincerely,



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