

**Energy - Docket Optical System**

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Please include this letter in the public docket and for review by CA Energy Commissioners:

Dear CEC Commissioners Douglas and McAllister:

We request that 11-AFC-03 Quail Brush is denied. As a citizen residing near the community and park where the power plant is proposed, I attended the first CEC public workshop in Jan. 2012 when Cogentrix officials stood up and told us - the citizenry - that they would listen to and respond to our concerns. A year has gone by now, and it is clear that Cogentrix is not here to listen to our community's concerns at all.

Meanwhile, our local representatives - both Democrat and Republican - ARE listening. The San Diego City Council (former members and newly elected 2013 members including Scott Sherman), the Santee City Council, San Diego Mayor Robert Filner, Republican California Assemblymember Brian Jones, County Supervisors Dianne Jacob and Dave Roberts, and State Senator Marty Block, and many others, have voiced their opposition to this plant. They understand San Diego and the cherished resource of Mission Trails Regional Park. Our representatives understand that San Diego's mission is to move toward real clean energy, parking lot / rooftop solar, energy storage, further conservation, and away from building new polluting fossil fuel power plants. They are listening to the concerns about global warming and California's mandate to be a leader in reducing fossil fuel usage.

How do we know Cogentrix is NOT listening to the community, as they promised? In spite of the power plant being against all local land use regulations - LORS - and written official visions for Mission Trails Regional park expansion - our park - , Cogentrix does not withdraw its application or address our concerns. They do not propose non-polluting alternatives. They do not offer sites away from our community, schools, lakes, the San Diego River, and our parks. They press forward with aggressive lobbying, including ex parte lobbying of the CPUC. They said they would listen to the community and be a part of the community. They have not. Instead they audaciously continue, against our community's concerns and wishes. They made the eleven stacks from 100 feet to 70 feet to appease someone about visual impact. In fact the polluting stacks, and the plant, will still be clearly visible to all, from every direction entering the town of Santee, and from all the beautiful vantage points of Mission Trails Regional Park. And the fact is, the emissions will disperse less at the lower stack height. While this adjustment may meet standards, it does not help our town - already in a valley - to have cleaner air. In fact, the air WILL be dirtier with Quail Brush running. Those of us who are sensitive populations, who already suffer with asthma and allergies, children, and the elderly, will especially be affected, as our town, especially in the summer, already suffers poor air quality. The Quail Brush plant permit should be denied.

Sincerely,

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