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This project should not be allowed in New Mexico for a myriad of reasons. While I realize that NMED will just be ruling on whether the greenhouse gas emissions from this project should be allowed, I must first comment on the slicks advertisements of "no impact on drinking water" and "clean fuel cell energy. The ads seem to indicate that there will be no impacts on drinking water. They will be using fresh water that they will be moving from a sod farm's irrigation wells. They will be pumping ground water from the Rio Grande basin at a time when New Mexico will have retire ground water from chile and pecan farmers to satisfy the Rio Grande Compact.

Now to greenhouse gases. Their "clean fuel cells" will emit more greenhouse gases than Albuquerque and indeed more than the two largest cities in New Mexico COMBINED. And it appears to me that by splitting their source emitters, they are trying to avoid the 250-ton threshold for Prevention of Significant Deterioration that would trigger a stricter review. And, if one looks at their figures for possible emissions, each is JUST BARELY UNDER the 250-ton threshold. What's one ton more or less? I question the accuracy of their figures.

Please do not allow this to go forward, but if it does go forward, there should be significant penalties enacted for exceeding the limits - or make the project do Point-source capture for the greenhouse gases - which will, of course, take more energy.