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New Mexico Environment Department  
Office of Public Facilitation  
ATTN: Pamela Jones  
Runnels Building  
1190 S. St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

***RE: Yucca Growth Infrastructure, LLC-Microgrid Air Quality Construction Permit***

Members of the Board,

As the largest non-profit dedicated to solving food insecurity in New Mexico, I am writing to express my support for Project Jupiter, which I believe offers significant benefits to the community.

In Doña Ana County alone, the unemployment rate is over 5% and approximately 17% of the population faces food insecurity. Project Jupiter is poised to bring substantial economic growth to Doña Ana County. It is anticipated to create 4,000 construction jobs and 1,500 project-supported jobs, which will support individuals and families in the community as well as local businesses.

Furthermore, Project Jupiter has committed \$50 million to help repair, upgrade, and improve local water systems; \$360 million in direct support for schools, infrastructure, and local services; and \$6.9 million to fund workforce development initiatives along with supporting the Boys and Girls Club of Las Cruces, clean drinking water, the local community college, and habitat restoration. Additionally, Project Jupiter's decision to use a new energy strategy demonstrates its commitment to reduce regulated emissions and water usage. All these combined contribute to a strong and vibrant community.

I urge the New Mexico Environment Department to approve this important project which can help build a more food secure future for our communities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dana Yost", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dana Yost  
President and CEO  
Roadrunner Food Bank