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I am writing to express my lack of confidence and lack of support for Project Jupiter as a resident of New Mexico.

New Mexico already has issues with water, heat, and air quality, and Doña Ana County specifically suffers greatly from all three of these. I believe this will cause more harm for the area than any of the benefits that it would bring it, and the benefits it would create are greatly overstated. The job creation that they claim is likely exaggerated, with some studies only expecting .15-.20 jobs to be created per megawatt for a plant of this size, which would result in only 500 jobs, not the 1500 that they claim. On top of that, this microgrid alone would release more than 10 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub> into the atmosphere each year, which is equal to 1/4th of our state's current CO<sub>2</sub> production. It would also release more than 100 tons per year of Volatile Organic Compounds, and carbon monoxide, which would further harm the local air quality, which is already bad. I also wonder about the actual benefits to our state economically, as it seems that many of the companies that would benefit from the data centers are not New Mexico companies, but rather AI companies headquartered and run out of state.

I do not believe that this data center or microgrid should be built, and strongly encourage that you reject this permit until they can find a way to actually create this sustainably.

Sincerely,  
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