

Kevin Chavez Servano

Dear NMED staff, My name is Kevin Chavez Servano. I used to live in New Mexico and am now serving the country on active duty in the Air Force, living in Hawaii, and I am writing because I am concerned about the risks and harms Project Jupiter poses to New Mexicans. I am submitting this comment to urge the New Mexico Environment Department to reject Yucca Growth Infrastructure, LLC's air permit application for the YGI Microgrid in Doña Ana County. The land on New Mexico is such a beautiful place and area and homes thousands of wildlife. When I was growing up there the sunsets were my favorite. And it would be a shame to see any of it go away or be ruined by this. The project's proposed fuel cell powered grid is concerning for many reasons: It would still produce a high level of greenhouse gas and toxic pollutants. This technology generates toxic waste, and the process for handling this waste is still unclear. Fuel cell technology or a centralized waste system has never occurred at this scale. Surrounding communities' air will be negatively impacted by this development. I urge the NMED to outright reject YUCCA Yucca Growth Infrastructure, LLC's air permit application for the YGI Microgrid. I ask the department to please hold a bilingual public hearing near the Santa Teresa community, so that residents can learn about the risks associated with fuel cell technology. Sincerely, Kevin Chavez Servano