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The air quality permit for this proposed fuel cell plant must be denied. Given bloom energy's fraught history of illegal dumping, pollution, and creating potential public health crises, there is no reason to expect this project to proceed in a way that respects and protects the health and livelihood of New Mexicans. The fuel cell project will release unprecedented amounts of pollutants and carcinogens into the atmosphere, causing harm not only to the fragile desert ecosystem but to the people of Doña Ana county. The area is already experiencing substandard air conditions and no new industry should be allowed to operate until existing air quality concerns are met. Finally, a bilingual, accessible comment period with in-person and virtual participation options must be made available so that the people living in the affected area have a chance to make their voices heard.