

June 15, 2026

New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board
c/o New Mexico Environment Department
1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite N4050
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: Public Comment in Support of Air Quality Permit Application for Project Jupiter (Yucca Growth Infrastructure, LLC)

Members of the Environmental Improvement Board:

I am writing to express support for the air quality permit by Yucca Growth Infrastructure, LLC for Project Jupiter in Doña Ana County.

As one who has been involved in the development of Santa Teresa for decades, I am very familiar with the history of the Santa Teresa International Project, dating back 50+ years when it was the originally conceived by Charles L. Crowder. Today, my family-related entities are substantial landowners in Santa Teresa and remain committed to Charlie Crowder's original vision: to create a showcase bi-national masterplanned community for the 2,000-mile US/Mexico Border Region in the states of New Mexico and Chihuahua at Santa Teresa.

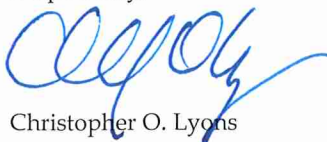
Project Jupiter is the largest private investment in New Mexico history and will be transformational, not only for the southern New Mexico region, but for the entire state of New Mexico. It is also part of the Project Stargate Initiative which is of national importance. This investment, all privately funded, will upgrade deficient infrastructure systems and allow for future thoughtful masterplanned development. That means no public money is borrowed or at-risk for Project Jupiter, and yet it will provide payments directly to Doña Ana County over 30 years at levels never experienced before in the County's history.

Advanced large-scale infrastructure projects lead by global construction companies are not new, but they are new to southern New Mexico and will provide an unprecedented level of demand for all types of goods and services which will help grow local businesses. Project Jupiter represents the future of development, and can be the future of the Mesilla Valley by making available advanced career options with highly respected companies right here in New Mexico, to give the next generation of Doña Ana County residents the opportunity to remain in the region. Meanwhile, local partnerships, like the ones that Project Jupiter has already established, are an added layer of community benefit and support.

We are fortunate to have been selected out of hundreds of competing sites nationally for one of the Project Stargate sites. A project of this magnitude and scale, where world-class developers power the operations onsite, are investing in the community and enhancing infrastructure while working with local partners, is exactly what was envisioned for Santa Teresa decades ago. While following and adhering to NMED guidelines and regulations, Project Jupiter will be the catalyst and a powerful magnet that can attract global electronics manufacturers to New Mexico that otherwise would not have considered locating here; building an enviable ecosystem in a leading-edge industry with untold opportunities for future generations of New Mexicans.

For these reasons, I respectfully support the approval of the air quality permit for Project Jupiter.

Respectfully,



Christopher O. Lyons
President