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Dear NMED Staff, My name is Emma, I am not a resident of the area this is being built, but for the sake of the New Mexican community I urge the NMED to outright reject Yucca Growth Infrastructure, LLC's air permit application for the YGI Microgrid. Even though I am not a resident, a climate injustice such as this being passed anywhere in the United States affects every single state, not just the one it's happening in. No community deserves to live in the environmental damage that this air permit application will cause. This project will be a climate and communal disaster with its proposed 10 million tons of climate-warming greenhouse gasses every year, creating more greenhouse gases than New Mexico's three largest cities combined. Santa Teresa Elementary and High School are located within five miles of this project site. 96% of students at the high school are hispanic. There are also day care centers located within miles of this site. This is an environmental injustice to these children who are especially vulnerable to the health impacts of NOX, CO, and VOCs. NMED's mission is "to protect and restore the environment and to foster a healthy and prosperous New Mexico for present and future generations." Granting these permit applications is a direct contradiction to that mission. The air quality permit application should be denied given Bloom Energy's history of illegal dumping hazardous waste. 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, Emma