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I strongly oppose the approval of the Fuel Cell Air Quality Permit for Project Jupiter. I urge the New Mexico Environment Department to prioritize the health and well-being of nearby communities, Tribal Nations, and future generations over industrial expansion. Even projects promoted as "clean energy" can have significant impacts on air quality, water resources, wildlife, and the climate if they are not thoroughly evaluated. The Department should require the most rigorous environmental review possible, ensure complete transparency about emissions and cumulative impacts, and fully consider public concerns before making any decision. If there is uncertainty about the project's environmental or public health impacts, this permit should not be approved. New Mexico's clean air and natural resources deserve the highest level of protection.

Once pollution is released into the air, the impacts on people and ecosystems cannot simply be reversed. I respectfully ask the Department to deny this permit and invest in energy solutions that do not put communities or the environment at unnecessary risk.