

Kaylee Romero

Dear NMED staff,

My name is Kaylee Romero. I am a New Mexico resident, living in the east mountains of Albuquerque, 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.

I am a mother, a holistic practitioner and a person who genuinely cares to better the health of my community and the land that I was born onto to protect. I am concerned that the irreversible health and land damage already happening in other states is going to spread to this sacred and vulnerable land, jeopardizing countless years of preserved history, and culture, take years of health and potentially wipe the future of the children that are currently being raised in this state. Our future generations.

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 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,

Kaylee Romero