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New Mexico Environmental Department,

I am writing in opposition of Yucca Growth Infrastructure's (YGI) new air pollution permit.

This permit must be denied for several reasons. First of all, Project Jupiter (PJ) requires the use of natural gas and is projected to emit 10 million tons of green house gas emmison per year or more. This is unacceptable. Dona Ana County has already a weakened and unhealthy ozone layer, we cannot afford more emmisions for an unnecessary data center.

Second of all, has Bloom Energy's history been investigated? This company has been cited by the US Environmental Protection Agency for illegally dumping hazardous waste into public landfills. This cannot be taken lightly. Which also begs the question, how will Bloom Energy's plan to safely dispose of their waste? That's because their fuel cells are not clean and they generate harmful air pollutants and hazardous solid waste. I am requesting a detail plan from YGI on how and where they plan on safely disposing of their waste.

Third, PJ will strain our water supply. Dona Ana County is bankrupt when it comes to water. YGI promised to use 20,000 gallons of water a day but legally speaking they are permitted to use up to 2 million gallons a days with no consequences. The water should be people first not a data center.

I request that NMED give the public at least 60 days additional time to review and comment on the application to ensure the public can meaningfully participate.

In the event that NMED does not reject YGI's application, I request a public hearing on the application in both English and Spanish with online and in-person format in Santa Teresa.

Reject YGI's application.

Respectfully,

Cynthia