

Robin Montoya

Dear NMED staff,

My name is Robin Montoya. I am a New Mexico resident, living in Las Vegas NM, 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. It is concerning to me due the amount of water this will use to build and maintain. Also I work with workers who have been affected by Los Alamos and Sandia labs, resulting in serious health issues some terminal. We have already been affected as a state by the contamination of water food and air. I am seriously concerned what this project will do to our resources. How will this contamination affect us long term? How will it affect our children?

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 or a centralized waste system 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,

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Robin Montoya