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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'm 18 and I'm incredibly concerned about the environmental future of both New Mexico and the United States as a whole. To subject the citizens of New Mexico to this project would be near environmental terrorism, especially considering the site is located within a five mile vicinity of AN ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL. It would absolutely destroy their ability to learn due to the heat and noise output. Allowing this project to go through to completion would be both a waste of money and would go directly against the NMED's mission to "protect and restore the environment and foster a healthy and prosperous New Mexico for present and future generations."

What happened to the public hearing the state Air Quality Bureau recommended on the previous applications that the industry has since redacted? NMED should not overlook the overwhelming community concern expressed in the last public comment period, which still applies to this same project.

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 been tried at this scale.

Surrounding communities' air will be severely impacted by this development.
I urge the NMED to 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, Anon