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I object to issuing a permit for Project Jupiter because of the unproven claims that air quality in our region will not be impacted. The air quality in our region is already low and Project Jupiter will not move it in to an improved condition. The public should be given an additional 60 days to review and comment on the air quality permit so community members can participate equitably. The air quality permit application should be denied given Bloom Energy's history of illegal dumping hazardous waste. If the permit is not denied, a public hearing needs to be held in Santa Teresa, in both English and Spanish, with an option to participate virtually. Approving this permit would be government-sponsored environmental racism as residents of Doña Ana County are already disproportionately impacted by environmental pollution.