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Dear NMED staff, My name is Catherine . I am a New Mexico resident, living in Tularosa, 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. I am just a regular person who wants a future filled with an abundance of clean, drinkable water. I am concerned that building a data center in an already dry and barren desert is not a decision made in the surrounding residents favor. It is a decision made by greedy developers who don't care if we run out of water because we all know they will not suffer the same consequences as the less wealthy. 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 Catherine S