

# Isabella Manzanares

Dear NMED staff,

My name is Isabella Manzanares. I am a New Mexico resident here in Las Cruces, 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.

My family has been here in New Mexico since 1911, I come from a family of ranchers in Northern New Mexico. Water has always been a major concern when living from the land. Which we have used responsibly and it has provided for my family for many generations. If project Jupiter goes forward and pollution takes place, how can I have hope for future generations of my family to stay here and prosper? Furthermore I am a mother currently living within the pollution zone of this Mega Data Center. I am not interested in finding out what the new levels of pollution will do to a child's health.

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.

Consider how this decision could impact the potential for a clean and healthy New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Isabella Manzanares.