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I do not live in Santa Teresa, but I own property in El Paso, directly across the border from where Project Jupiter is being built. This is not just an investment—this is my family's land, and what happens on that side of the fence affects my side of the fence. The air does not stop at the state line. The water does not either. I am asking you to deny this air permit. Ten million tons of carbon dioxide and over a hundred tons of VOCs on top of a community that has failed air quality standards every year since 2000 is not progress. It is environmental racism. We already breathe some of the worst air in the country. My family and my neighbors cannot afford more. And let's be clear about who we are dealing with. The fuel cell provider has a documented history of illegally dumping hazardous waste and covering it up. They have done it before. They will do it again. And when they do, it will be our soil, our water, and our children's lungs that pay the price. A fine after the fact does not undo that damage. If you will not deny this permit, then at the very least you owe us a real public hearing. In Santa Teresa. In person. With Spanish translation and virtual access. We deserve to be heard in our own language, in our own community, on our own terms. My family's health and my property's future are worth more than any out-of-state corporation's bottom line. Please do the right thing. Deny this permit.