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Dear NMED staff, 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. Project Jupiter's power plant will release up to 10 million tons of climate-warming greenhouse gasses every year. We are at a critical time to fight climate change and this would be an enormous step back. Not to mention the facility would also be producing a large amount of hazardous waste. Fuel cell technology has never before been deployed at this scale. This is 60 times larger than the largest existing Bloom fuel cell installation. The Application is based on pollution testing from a very small unit. The testing unit is only 65kw, while the power plant is 37,876 times that size. I urge the NMED to reject YUCCA Yucca Growth Infrastructure, LLC's air permit application for the YGI Microgrid. Sincerely, Daphnee

"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 outright given Bloom Energy's history of illegal dumping hazardous waste. Approving this permit would be government-sponsored environmental racism directed at residents of Doña Ana County.

If the permit is not denied outright, a public hearing needs to be held in Santa Teresa, in both English and Spanish, with an option to participate virtually."