

Hailey Richardson

Dear NMED Staff,

My name is Hailey Richardson. I am a New York State resident, living in Buffalo, and I am writing because I am concerned about the risks and harms Project Jupiter poses to New Mexico residents. I am writing this comment to urge the New Mexico Environment Department to reject Yucca Growth Infrastructure, LLC's air permit application for the YGI Microgrid and Doña Ana County.

I am a 19 year old college student who believes in lowering carbon dioxide emissions and keeping the planet, our planet alive for as long as possible. This is our only home and an AI data center as large as this one would be devastating not just for locals but for Americans across the country.

This projects proposed fuel cell powered grid is concerning for a number of reasons. Firstly, it would still produce a high level of green house gas and toxic pollutants. Next, the technology generates toxic waste, and the process for handling this waste is still unclear. Additionally, fuel cell technology or a centralized waste system has never occurred at this scale. And lastly, the surrounding communities' air will be negatively impacted by this development.

I urge NMED to outright reject YUCCA Yucca Growth Infrastructure, LLC's air permit application for the YGI Mircogrid. I ask the department to please hold a multilingual public hearing near the Santa Teresa community, so that residents can learn about the risks associated with fuel cell technology.

Sincerely,
Hailey Richardson