Robert Tafanelli

I have lived in Las Cruces for the past 47 years. I seen many changes in those years and have been active in the community to make positive changes by staying informed. I have served on BLM and New Mexico Game and Fish committees as well NGO boards.

I was disappointed to hear less than a year ago that our Governor and some of our State legislators had been working for some time laying the groundwork behind closed door to sneak in Project Jupiter. Even many of our Senators were caught off guard and misinformed.

Since that time the communities in Doña County have made it clear that they don't want this project. It has been presented as a shell game with most aspects of the project changing regularly. The promoters of the Project have knowingly withheld critical information especially concerning detrimental effects regarding air, water and energy needs.

NMED is the governing body that protects the New Mexico Environment. The promoter of this project are constantly changing the degree and types of air pollutants that this project will produce. It is a huge project that will produce huge quantities of air pollutants that have yet to be identified by the promoters. The local citizens are already suffering poor air quality without this project. In addition, the project is adjacent to Organ Mountains/Desert Peaks National Monument/Wilderness. Visitors to this area will be subject to the same unhealthy pollutants. That will discourage visitors from coming to the area fathers impoverishing an already improvised area.

There are hundred of other data centers around the country and all of them have over promised and under produced. We are told that this is an experimental project. The citizen of Doña County do not want to be guinea pigs.

Until the promoters can reliably commit to the real air quality impacts, use reliable, credible data and be held liable for it, this permit SHOULD NOT be granted at this time!

Thank you.
Sincerely,
Robert Tafanelli