

Rae M

Dear NMED staff,

My name is Rae. I am a New Mexico resident, living in Albuquerque, 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.

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.

As someone born and raised in New Mexico, Project Jupiter will only lead to worse conditions for an already declining state. We already have limited access to water, and although this project proposes more eco-friendly methods, no data center is inherently eco-friendly. Not only will it take from the already scarce water supply, but the noise and air pollution will cause our wildlife nothing but harm. This will also affect and damage the entire planet in the end, and that includes all of you.

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.

Sincerely,

Rae M.