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New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board
New Mexico Environment Department
1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite N4050
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: Public Comment in Support of Air Quality Permit Applications for Project Jupiter (YGI, LLC)

Members of the Environmental Improvement Board,

Consumer Energy Alliance submits these comments in support of the air quality permit applications filed by YGI, LLC for Project Jupiter in Doña Ana County.

Consumer Energy Alliance is the trusted voice advocating for affordable, reliable, and cleaner energy solutions that benefit all Americans. We represent families, farmers, small businesses, distributors, producers, and manufacturers, and we champion sensible, balanced energy policies that support economic growth, energy reliability, and environmental stewardship while ensuring consumers have a meaningful voice in the energy dialogue.

From a consumer perspective, projects like Project Jupiter matter because they sit at the intersection of energy demand, economic development, and infrastructure planning. As electricity demand continues to grow across the country, driven by population growth, advanced manufacturing, and digital infrastructure, it is critical that states pursue development strategies that expand capacity responsibly without undermining affordability or reliability for everyday consumers.

Project Jupiter reflects an approach that recognizes those realities. By incorporating advanced microgrid infrastructure and planning for long-term energy needs, the project is designed to support reliability while limiting impacts on the broader electric grid. Avoiding cost-shifting to local ratepayers and maintaining system stability are essential considerations for households and businesses already facing cost pressures across the economy.

CEA also recognizes that economic opportunity is a key component of consumer well-being. When communities gain access to long-term jobs, workforce development opportunities, and sustained investment, families are better positioned to manage household expenses, remain rooted in their communities, and plan for the future. Southern New Mexico stands to benefit from this type of investment, and those benefits extend statewide through shared supply chains, tax revenues, and economic activity.

At the same time, environmental stewardship and regulatory accountability remain essential. CEA supports a permitting process that is science-based, transparent, and consistent with established air quality standards. When projects meet those standards, regulators can protect public health while allowing development that supports affordability, reliability, and economic growth.

Since its inception in 2006, Consumer Energy Alliance has worked on behalf of nearly 400 member organizations nationwide to advance practical, responsible solutions that meet America's growing energy

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needs. Our experience across diverse regions reinforces the importance of balanced decision-making that considers consumers, communities, and long-term system resilience together rather than in isolation.

For these reasons, Consumer Energy Alliance supports approval of the air quality permit applications for Project Jupiter as submitted. We appreciate the Environmental Improvement Board's careful consideration and its role in ensuring that New Mexico continues to pursue energy and economic policies that work for consumers.

Thank you for your service and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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