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Mr. William Pfanner
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Dear Mr. Pfanner:

I read in the latest Sierra Club Yodeler of two new power plants planned for Hayward, The Russell Energy Center & the Eastshore Energy Center.

I have grave concerns about these new power plants at a time when all evidence points to global warming.

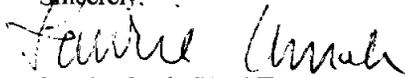
I believe we are facing a global crisis with warming of our atmosphere & oceans. We need to immediately start to conserve gas & electricity in our homes, businesses & community agencies. As we discovered when facing "brownouts" in 2000 or 2001, the community was easily able to reduce power consumption modestly. Conservation should be the immediate goal. In my household I have taken measures to reduce consumption of gas & electricity.

My other concern is the effect of plant emissions on community health & the effect on areas adjacent to the San Francisco Bay. I do not want our air or water befouled with toxic effluence from these plants. We already have high rates of asthma in our Oakland community. The mitigation plan does nothing to help our east bay communities.

My other serious concern is the health of the San Francisco Bay & its wildlife. We need to do everything we can to protect our Bay. It is our lifeblood. We need clean water & clean air. Our health is connected to the health of our Bay wetlands & its wildlife.

I urge the California Energy Commission to deny these projects.

Sincerely,



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