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RE: El Mirage/Desert Renewable Energy Conservation (DRECP) Plan

Dear Commissioners:

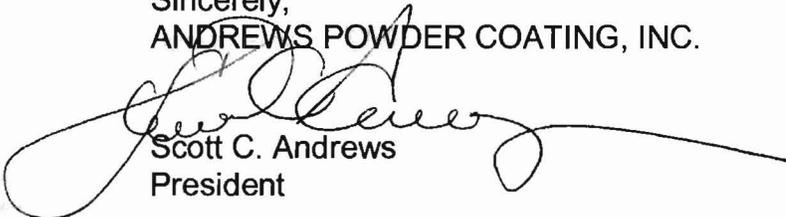
I am writing this letter as a concerned citizen and user of the El Mirage Recreational area in the Mojave Desert. This special place has provided recreational activities for the community for the last 100 years. The area in particular is a special place for our family as we are involved with the Southern California Timing Association (SCTA) and their pursuit of holding land speed racing events at the dry lake bed. This is a place that my Father and Grandfather have both competed at and our family has had many wonderful times at this special place.

Understanding the need to increase our green power is also a consideration of mine. I have personally installed a solar system on our house and espouse the benefits of being able to generate power locally is something that is very close to my heart. But to take a recreational area such as El Mirage and supplant it with equipment seems to be a failure of the system to protect our lands and allow for all citizens to continue using this land. There are plenty of available land areas in the desert for these plans to be promoted from that do not interfere with the recreation of the constituents.

These activities through the years have provided an economic income to the area and also given our community a place to enjoy our chosen sport of land speed racing. This racing leads to many dollars being spent with companies that support land speed racing. The El Mirage recreational area provides a much larger stream of income to the community as a whole. This income is not apparent to the eye of someone who does not understand the entirety of the impact that The El Mirage Recreational Area has. We are but one of the land users, there are many more that have the same reasons for their concern about losing this precious resource.

Please consider other Federal lands for this energy project and we will be very happy to support the project.

Sincerely,
ANDREWS POWDER COATING, INC.



Scott C. Andrews
President