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California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

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RE: In FAVOR of Chula Vista Energy Upgrade Project (07-AFC-4)

Dear Vice Chair and Presiding Committee Member Boyd and Commissioners:

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Chula Vista Energy Upgrade Project (CVEUP) that calls for the removal and upgrade of the Chula Vista Power Plant. As a resident of the Southwest Chula Vista community for a number of years it is a matter of common sense for me to want the best for my family and my community. Why anyone would stand in the way of an upgrade and ensured energy reliability is beyond me. The CVEUP proposes replacing old, dirtier, and inefficient technology with newer state-of-the-art technology that will result in an improved peaker plant that will operate more efficiently, cleaner, quieter and with increased energy generating capacity that will ensure that my community's electrical needs are met.

I am also very well aware of the community and economic benefits this peaker upgrade will represent to the Southwest Chula Vista community. If the CVEUP is approved, the City of Chula Vista will assist local residents with approximately \$4,400 worth of energy and water conservation upgrades throughout their homes. It would also create close to 160 highly paid construction jobs for a period of eight month; with times being as tough as they are, it is wise to appreciate and take advantage of any and all job opportunities that come around. And finally, the CVEUP is expected to generate close to a million dollars in taxes annually that would be go to the City of Chula Vista and its Redevelopment Corporation. The City has already designated a total of \$10 million in CVEUP generated tax increments that would be invested into four specific projects that we the community selected through our feedback at community workshops and hearings. These projects include the much needed replacement of curbs and sidewalks off of Main Street, pedestrian improvements for the disabled, and a community park.

For these reasons, I ask for your support in approving this project. The CVEUP is a good project that will only serve to benefit our community.

Sincerely,



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