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

Dear California Energy Commission Chairperson and Commissioners:

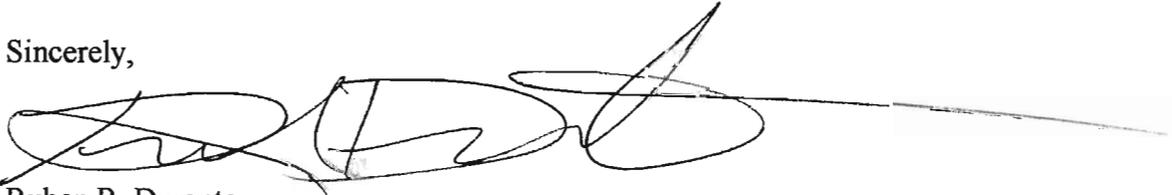
I wholeheartedly support MMC's proposed Chula Vista Energy Upgrade Project (CVEUP). Chula Vista needs more efficient and reliable local energy generating resources in order to secure our region's energy future. I am confident that the CVEUP will contribute greatly to our City's increasing energy demand.

What I cannot seem to understand is why anyone would oppose the CVEUP when it represents getting rid of the existing older and dirtier peaker and building one that is better and generates additional energy cleaner and more efficiently? It seems like a no brainer to me, considering that the existing peaker was built with old technology dating back to the 1970's and that it was issued a special use permit to operate at its current location for the next 20 years. I most certainly would prefer a cleaner and more efficient peaker as opposed to an older one.

If approved, the proposed project would benefit the Southwest Chula Vista community a number of ways. It would include benefits such as nearly a million dollars in tax revenue for the City annually, much needed and high paying construction jobs, hundreds of thousands of dollars in mitigation and community betterments, and approximately \$10 million that would go towards public projects that will serve to better enhance and improve upon the Southwest Chula Vista Community.

The proposed peaker upgrade is a sound and good project for the community. I support the CVEUP and ask that you rule in favor of it. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Ruben R. Durante