

Docket Optical System - Support New NRG Power Plant

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Subject: Support New NRG Power Plant

The city of Carlsbad started a campaign to oppose the new power plant at Carlsbad led by the mayor Bud. I have received the pamphlet like every residence in the city. The opposition never really address the electricity need for the city and region. It is a very nearsighted argument for the city government. I suspect the special interest groups are behind this campaign and the Mayor is disgracefully supporting it. It wastes the city resources to fight a wrong battle for the infrastructure the city and the state need. They never really address how efficient of this new plant power can be, and the benefits of this new power plant to the region long term. I wish the state government can support the need of energy supply, don't play into the hands of special interest groups.

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Docket Optical System - Carlsbad Energy Center Project

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I am a homeowner, resident, & active voter in the city of Carlsbad--indeed, I can see the stack of the existing power plant from my home. The City formally opposes this project ("*... will negatively affect our region's coastline, economy, & environment for the next 50+ years*" - Mar. '09 "*Community Connected*" newsletter - such hyperventilation!). I disagree with the City's position in this case: I believe it makes good sense to make use of the existing NRG property & the existing power-distribution infrastructure for the proposed new plant.

Regardless of where the new plant ends up, evidently the old plant will remain where it is, & will operate, for decades into the future. When the old plant is eventually decommissioned--and only then--the "prime oceanfront property" can be considered for whatever the City would prefer to see there; the new plant as proposed, will be on the eastern side of the railroad tracks, hence on only *oceanview* property at best.

NRG claims that CalTrans is willing to cooperate with NRG to ensure that the widening of I-5 is benign; to my knowledge, the City has not responded directly to this claim. I agree that the State (CEC, CalTrans, + ?) needs to ensure that this cooperation happens.

I don't see the proposed plant as more of a "dominant visual blight" than the existing one, which certainly does not appear to "hinder... tourism". I appreciate knowing that the power to my house (& our schools & businesses) is unlikely to be interrupted by the failure of a major transmission line somewhere out in the boondocks.

What is the hidden agenda behind the City's objection? Perhaps someone needs to follow the \$ to find out.

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Docket Optical System - NRG West Carlsbad Energy Center Project

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I have been a Carlsbad resident for over a decade and intend to remain one for as long as I live. I fully support the NRG project and totally disagree with Mayor Lewis on this issue.

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