

Docket Optical System - NO to NRG Carlsbad Proposed Power Plant

From: Areti McCarthy <jmccar2@sbcglobal.net>
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Date: 3/13/2009 5:32 PM
Subject: NO to NRG Carlsbad Proposed Power Plant

To whom it may concern,

Our entire extended community, including this household of 5, are **STRONGLY** against approving NRG's proposed power plant. This is our home, our back yard and our children are raised here. Please consider this significant detriment to the quality of our lives before considering this proposal again.

Sincerely,

The McCarthy Family
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From: Kelly Zapp <kzapp29@yahoo.com>
To: <pao@energy.state.ca.us>
Date: 3/15/2009 3:49 PM
Subject: Carlsbad power plant

I am a resident of Carlsbad living in the 92011 zip code and am opposed to the development of a Power Plant in Carlsbad. This would negatively affect our coastline, local economy and environment. Why would you even consider a powerplant along the most desirable piece of land? Southern California has such a beautiful coastline, why ruin it? Place the powerplant somewhere less populated and not a tourist attraction. Carlsbad is a vacation destination, why change that by placing an eyesore visible from the freeway or coastline?????

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Docket Optical System - NRG West Carlsbad

From: JC Debes <physics.204@hotmail.com>
To: <pao@energy.state.ca.us>
Date: 3/15/2009 8:13 AM
Subject: NRG West Carlsbad

I am writing to comment on the plans to build a new gas turbine power plant in Carlsbad. This plan does not make sense from an energy efficiency perspective when one considers the fact that plans to build a water desalinization plant on the same site are also in the works. The old steam turbine plant would allow for making the desal plant very energy efficient by setting up a co-generation system with the steam turbine plant, using the hot (or warm) exhaust cooling water that is now discharged into the ocean to power the desal plant. If a new gas turbine plant is built (that does not generate exhaust cooling wate), the desal plant will need to be powered directly with electricity instead of taking advantage of the "free" energy that is now available from the steam plant.

If the steam plant needs to be upgraded with newer turbines and other components this should be done instead of building an entirely new gas trubine plant that will not have the advantge of being capable of co-generating with the proposed desal plant.

Please notify me of any meetings I may attend or other means of providing input to this important planning process.

Sincerely,

Jack Debes, Ph.D.
Carlsbad, CA

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From: Daniel Peterschmidt <dantheman47@gmail.com>
To: <PAO@energy.state.ca.us>
Date: 3/14/2009 4:29 PM
Subject: Carlsbad Power Plant

The new proposed power plant is not a good idea for Carlsbad or San Diego County. It would contribute to global warming by releasing greenhouse gas emissions. The City Of Carlsbad could use all that proposed money for the power plant for a solar field, or solar panels for residents. Please deny this atrocious excuse for more power and use that money for green technology.

Daniel Peterschmidt

Docket Optical System - Proposed Power Plant in Carlsbad, CA

From: Ron Lukasiewicz <rjlukas@sbcglobal.net>
To: <PAO@energy.state.ca.us>
Date: 3/14/2009 3:48 PM
Subject: Proposed Power Plant in Carlsbad, CA

Dear California Energy Commissioner:

This is to inform you that our family is in agreement with Caltrans, The City of Carlsbad and other local governments regarding serious concerns relating to the proposed site the new NRG power plant.

We believe that better sites within the City of Carlsbad exist. Further we strongly encourage the Commission not to approve the proposed site and to seriously consider more suitable sites within the city.

Sincerely,
Ron Lukasiewicz

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Docket Optical System - NRG West Powerplant.

From: "Evert Osterman" <Evert@desert-aire.com>
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Date: 3/14/2009 11:27 AM
Subject: NRG West Powerplant.

To all,

Without a crystal ball it is almost impossible to look 50 years ahead and imagine what San Diego North County and Carlsbad / Oceanside/Encinitas will look like. But it is worth a try if you have to decide on a project that will go that far into the future.

Do we really believe that one more widening of the I-5 from 3 to 4 lanes will be enough or do we expect traffic to increase to a point where 5 lanes will be required. I personally believe that time is close because we will also need an HOV lane. Do we really believe that two railroad tracks will be enough for the next 50 years? Of course not. High Speed rail service will be a must for this area. But if we place the new power plant right in between the road and the rail, it will be impossible to do anything on either one ten years from now.

Actually I do not believe powerplants belong at the coast. There is a powerplant 50 miles outside Phoenix in the middle of nowhere doing very well. There is another one close to the border of Arizona and New Mexico, far away from anything and doing very well.

I also question whether and expansion is actually necessary. We see a tremendous increase in solar and wind power. In the next 10 -20 years the use of natural gas or coal powered energy will dwindle. NRG will stop maintaining the property. It does not look all to good as it is, but what will it look like when nobody cares about it any more. I do not think the California Energy Commission is going to pay to take it down. NRG for sure it not.

I realize that we have the infrastructure on location but can you imagine the job creation if those ugly looking poles could be moved inland and minimized so that our tourist would love to come to Carlsbad/Oceanside/Encinitas and pay the same hotel rates they currently pay in Santa Barbara. It is terrible to waste a good crisis. We are right in the middle of a good crisis and we can get billions of dollars from Washington to do what is right. And right is creating more work for more people and building the right powerplant on a site that is acceptable both from an environmental point but also one that allows the building of the most efficient plant. In our case NRG is forced to use what is available.

Finally but most important. The plant may use less water for cooling but it still uses a huge amount of water to cool down the air-cooled condensers. I did so before and would like to warn you again for FOG. The water used is heated on the condenser coils and will leave the stack at extreme high temperatures and relative humidity. The outside air in Carlsbad is often below the 60 degrees and the prevailing wind is from the West. The mixture of cold air and hot, humid exhaust from the stack will create fog that will be driven onto the freeway. Dense fog with zero visibility. At least you can not say nobody told you.

Enjoy the day,

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Docket Optical System - opposition to proposd NRG Carlsbad Energy Center

From: "Jerry" <jforsch@roadrunner.com>
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Date: 3/13/2009 8:27 PM
Subject: opposition to proposd NRG Carlsbad Energy Center

Gentlemen,

We are opposed to the construction of the proposed NRG Carlsbad Energy Center because it would not be in the best interests of the people of California.

The I-5 Freeway is of major economic and recreational importance to all of California. The proposed CEC would have a significant, unfavorable impact on a long-planned I-5 widening/straightening project that is necessary to alleviate a traffic bottleneck on a corridor that is already overburdened by trucks that travel the length of California, by daily commuters, and which is often jammed to impass by tourists during their weekend and holiday migration. Our transportation problem will only get worse because the population of the cities in this area, including Carlsbad, is far less than allowed by the population density plans of these cities.

We will continue to grow; and yes, we will need more power, but because the CEC is not a coastal-dependent industrial facility, and there are alternate inland sites available that would not have such an unfavorable impact upon already problematic transportation corridors; and because it is in the best interest of California and the United States to avoid unfavorable environmental impact to sensitive, limited coastal resources whenever possible, please find a more suitable site for this important project that would do less damage than the site proposed.

Sincerely,
Jerry and Shirley Forsch

Docket Optical System - I oppose the NRG West Carlsbad Power Plant Proposal

From: starneck <starneck@yahoo.com>
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Date: 3/15/2009 8:36 PM
Subject: I oppose the NRG West Carlsbad Power Plant Proposal

I am in strong opposition to the NRG West proposal to put a second power plant in Carlsbad and would like to become more involved in efforts to fight against this being approved. I understand this is outside of the City of Carlsbad authority and the decision rests with the California Energy Commission. With the millions of acres of unused land in California, the hundreds of other California communities that are in dire financial straits and would welcome such an opportunity combined with the insensitivity to the natural habitat along the coastline, I am appalled at such an inconsiderate proposal.

Please let me know how I may join the Interest List as well as another other formal efforts to strongly oppose this proposal and to preserve our community and coastline.

Regards -

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