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Dear Commissioners:

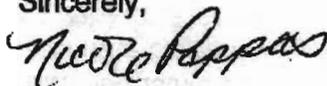
I spoke to you in favor of the Carlsbad Energy Center at the hearing held in Carlsbad on February 1, 2010. Other supporters and I were openly booed and hissed for stating our support. I was embarrassed by this behavior from my friends and neighbors. I am sorry some of them chose to bully, and the others encouraged or allowed the bullying to continue. Please remember, just like their behavior is not representative of the majority of Carlsbad residents, neither is their opposition to this plant.

I am also astounded by the misinformation and contradictions presented by project opponents. How can they be avid proponents of the desalination plant, yet oppose a power plant in the same location? How is one a "good" industrial use, and the other a "bad" industrial use? How can the water treatment facility, also located along the Interstate 5 corridor be OK, and the power plant along the I-5 is not OK? How can they present an alternate location as though it was an absolute possibility when it clearly is not? How can they imply new transmission lines and infrastructure can easily be built somewhere else, and then say the same infrastructure in the existing location causes cancer, noise, dirty homes and lower property values? There is no logic to their arguments, only rhetoric to rile the community.

It is clear their interest is in financial gain and they do not grasp the importance of this project to regional energy capacity planning. I heard people speak from emotion, not fact. I heard people talk about the need to conserve, but not about what they are individually doing to conserve. I heard people talk about renewable energy, but not about investing in solar panels for their own homes.

In short, unlike the opponents, I have a Vision of Power to sustain our region. I hope you share my vision, and I ask you to approve the Carlsbad Energy Center.

Sincerely,



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