



FW: AES is a Trojan Horse

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Dear Manager Shaffer,

I have written to you before, but I would like to reiterate my deep concern about AES and its Rancho Viejo Utility Solar and Battery project.

AES is creating a hazardous situation that will lead to future environmental concerns and economic costs.

My community, schools, and others within unreasonable proximity of this project (composed of more than half a million lithium-ion batteries) could be permanently exposed to:

- *toxic forever chemicals from their batteries and fire suppressants,*
- *air and water contamination,*
- *noise pollution,*
- *our high winds and dry brush could turn a small fire into a serious wildfire*
- *economic catastrophe, tourism impact, from toxic exposure*

The New Mexico State Legislature has now labeled PFAS, also known as “forever chemicals,” as toxic hazards.

There are much safer and smarter ways to use renewable energy. See video:

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With respect,

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