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For the file.

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Dear Commissioners,

I'm very concerned about the lack of critical public safety planning and a seemingly lack of concern for residents living near the proposed AES environmental nightmare. Must corporate greed always win?

I'm writing to request that the Board of County Commissioners expressly adopt Annex G of the 2023 edition of National Fire Protection Association Standard 855 (NFPA 855) as a mandatory requirement for Santa Fe County. This appendix, titled "Annex G - Guide for Suppression and Safety of Lithium-Ion Battery (LIB) Energy Storage Systems (ESS)," was the major change in the 2023 update to the 2020 edition of NFPA 855. The NFPA developed the 2023 edition to address the fire and other risks of battery energy storage systems that have become known since the 2020 edition of NFPA 855.

The reason for my request is that the County Fire Department appears to have interpreted the Board's December 2023 adoption of the 2023 edition as not including Annex G, since the Department is not requiring the Rancho Viejo Solar Project to comply with it.

Thank you.
Linda Barlow