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Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2009 9:02 PM

To: Weyman Lee

Subject: Proposed Russell City Power Plant

Dear Mr. Lee -

I'm writing to you to express my concerns with the Russell City power plant proposal. I strongly encourage you not to grant a permit and move forward with this project.

A beautiful city like Hayward, also known as the "Heart of the City" does not need a power plant. I grew up on Depot Road, which is down the street from the proposed Russell City power plant. As a little girl I watched farm land around my home change rapidly into an industrial parkway. I did not understand why this development was happening so quickly, so I asked my neighbor. She replied: "you cannot stop progress." With much sadness, I accepted her opinion and watched concrete walls go up in front of my family home, forever changing our landscape.

I have learned to accept development around me through the years. However, I cannot accept this power plant for many reasons. I am sure you aware how other residents are as opposed to this possible plant development. We as residents and citizens want to see our families and livelihoods remain the same in a safe secure environment for our children, and our childrens' children to thrive and enjoy for decades to come.

Mr. Lee, you have the power to "STOP PROGRESS" from this power plant getting approved and I urge you not to grant this permit.

Most sincerely

Mariann Sanford

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