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From: Jay Jelincic [mailto:jayjelincic@yahoo.com] Sent: Tuesday, February 03, 2009 11:48 AM

To: Weyman Lee Subject: Think Change

B. A. A. Q. M. D,

After attending your meeting at city hall I was compelled to send an e-mail.

I feel you will be hard pressed to find residents of Hayward volunteering to have 1 ton bombs of NO2 or CO dropped in their back yard. You are talking about 523, 1 ton bombs with these two pollutants alone per year, which is 5,230 over the next 10 years and it doesn't stop there. That's more than enough for everyone in Hayward. I know your saying that's not what is going to happen, it's millions of smaller bombs. No mater how you package them it still has the same results.

The unions had a strong showing at your meeting. We all know someone who has lost a job lately.

I say lets put them to work, but lets build something we can be proud of. Something that stands out for our town. I find it hard to believe that over the last 8 years we don't have a better source for electrical power. Our president is talking change and I feel we as a community should be listening. New technology is more expensive but someone has to set the example, lets make it Hayward. As more and more communities take advantage of new technology the cost will come down for everyone.

Lets put people to work.

Maybe what we should be figuring out is a way to save 600-megawatts. Rather than build a another power plant to generate more power to waste. We could give away energy saving light bulbs at cost. Replace single pain Windows, remove inefficient heaters and refrigerators. Use solar panels.

I don't have all the answers and maybe I don't have any.

But Hayward and the rest of the world have been asking questions and we should be listening. If we don't know what the best solution is for now and the future then maybe we need to ask more questions and seek out help from around the world.

Lets make sure we don't build something that we wish we had not.

Please do the right thing for the world, not for just a few union workers, and people that have invested a lot of time and money in this plan. Do what is best for all of us.

Thanks Jay Jelincic