

Russell City Energy Center.txt

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To: Weyman Lee  
Subject: Russell City Energy Center

Dear Mr. Weyman Lee,  
9/17/09

Hello, my name is Ashley Brekke. I live in San Lorenzo, CA and I attend San Lorenzo High. I take an elective called Environmental Leadership in Action, where I learn how to help our Earth.

You may have guessed by now, but I'm writing in opposition of the construction to the Russell City Energy Center. I don't think a fossil-fuel power plant is necessary now that there are alternative, environmental-friendly, renewable energy sources available. Instead of a 14-story power plant with a 1,000 foot-high plume, a solar-energy or wind-powered power plant could be built. The power plant that is planned to be built will, as I'm sure you already know, emit 12.2 tons per year of sulphur dioxide, 389.3 tons of carbon monoxide per year, 121,000 pounds per year of ammonia and 1,926,399 metric tons of carbon dioxide. Carbon dioxide is the leading cause for global warming; if this plant is built it will not help towards reducing global warming. On top of all the cars and other items that release carbon dioxide, add the emitting carbon dioxide from the plant and the global warming will most likely increase.

If this plant is built, the citizens of Hayward and surrounding communities will be deeply affected because of all the toxins in the air that we will be breathing. The wild and marine animals of the Hayward Shoreline will be affected and could die with all the chemicals.

I would really appreciate it if you would consider all these negatives and seriously consider an alternative, renewable energy source. My class, teacher and I all oppose this Power Plant and think that an environmental-friendly energy source would be best for the community and a step towards a better future.

I really appreciate you taking the time to read this.

Thank You,

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