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RE: Santan Generating Station. Request by Salt River Project for expansion. SRP Application Docket No. L-00000B-00-0105.

This letter is in SUPPORT of Salt River Project's request for expansion of the San Tan Generating Station.

We feel strongly that this project should proceed per the current requests and modifications made by Salt River Project.

Although there are a number of nearby residents who are expressing a very vocal objection to this project, we feel strongly that the overall public interest must prevail on this issue. We are genuinely concerned about the ability of our present plants to continue to provide adequate power given the high rate of growth in Gilbert, the Valley and the Southwest. Using rolling brownouts or short-term power blackouts must not be allowed as any kind of response to our heretofore lack of sufficient preparation for future power needs.

The Santan facility has been present in its location for over 25 years. It seems to us that it is imperative that homeowners and business alike undertake adequate and proper due diligence before purchasing property in an area which could potentially be impacted by power plants, water treatment facilities, sanitary landfills, or such entities which individuals might deem to be detrimental to their property values. We would suggest that real estate listings be modified to include coding or other information regarding the proximity of these types of facilities. Developers or sellers should be required to disclose this information in their listing materials, and title companies should be required to provide this information about facilities within a reasonable proximity of residential or business properties. However, entire communities should not be held hostage to this lack of due diligence when buyers later discover that they have overlooked an issue which they deem to be important to their property value.

Environmental issues:

SRP has gone to great lengths to assure the community that this project will have no negative environmental impact upon the community. In fact, the revisions and updating will make this plant produce far less pollution than what is currently being made with the present facility. As

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long as SRP agrees to indefinitely maintain this standard, pollution or negative impact upon the environment should not be an issue.

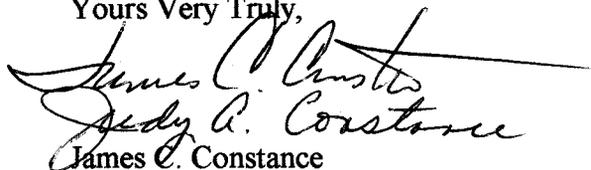
Buying and selling power to other facilities on the power grid:

In Today's marketplace, it is imperative that we both buy and sell power through the power grid. This has become a fact of life, not merely a wasteful option to consider. Since A/C power is partially lost when it is transmitted over very long distances, we will pay dearly for power if we are forced to procure larger and larger amounts of electricity from sources farther and farther away. We must take steps NOW to assure that we can meet as much of our own power needs as is possible. This is not wasteful. This is prudent planning! Otherwise we risk being held captive to whatever the marketplace might demand in terms of cost for the power we need and have come to depend upon.

In summary, we urge that you take what may be the unpopular position of approving Salt River Project's request for expansion of the San Tan Generating facility. The desires of a small, but vocal group of people must not be allowed to stand in the way of the much larger public interest. It can be incredibly difficult to stand up and take a strong leadership position in the face of vocal opposition. But the issue of adequate power supply is rapidly becoming a crisis issue and we must take every step now to provide for our requirements. Do not let a vocal minority hold this commission hostage!

Thank you for considering our position.

Yours Very Truly,



James C. Constance

Judy A. Constance  
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cc: Salt River Project.

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ACC Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee

August 15, 2000

Ref: Docket # L-000 00B-00-0105

Dear Steve Olea:

I would like you to know that I am concerned about my family's future, health and quality of life since I live near SRP's SanTan plant here in Gilbert. I also support CITIZENS OPPOSED TO SANTAN (COST) and have asked them to speak for me.

I believe that there are many other alternatives to expanding at SanTan, even if they are not as "cost effective". I ask the ACC and the Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee to look into these options before allowing any hearing or permit. SRP admits that they will need to build additional facilities in the very near future—even with expanding San Tan—but they have not announced where or when. I do not take the need lightly but if they will require building another facility outside of town in the coming years, I would ask the ACC to require that they build a larger facility there and bury the lines coming into town instead of building on a residential street.

I feel that SRP is trying to build this plant without true community input or involvement. I believe that their public process is largely for show and that they are not listening to what is best for our neighborhood. They are willing to listen to suggestions about trees and screening and where on the property the new plants will be located but not whether or not this expansion will be destructive to our neighborhood or property values. None of the SRP or EPG representatives live across the street from this plant as I do. They have also failed to tell me or my neighbors specific information about possible impacts this plant would have on my health or home in any of their mailers.

I realize that SRP has a need for power. I do not believe that I should unfairly bear the burden of this need although I am willing to do my share. This is especially true if SRP intends to sell this power (or use it in town in order to see the power generated from their other coal-burning plants outside of town). I strongly oppose risking my family's health or my property value so SRP can make money. My understanding is that SRP has sold, and will continue to sell, power for profit on the open market whenever it is lucrative to do so even if that means more pollution and noise for those of us in Gilbert - 24/7, year-round. What about the negative impact these huge 15 story tall - very visible smoke stacks will have to us nearby.

Please do what you can to protect our environment, schools, and home values in the affected vicinity of Warner and Val Vista! We love our community and home but feel powerless in the face of an industry giant who wants to destroy what we have worked so hard for. I would also like you to please allow COST to speak on my behalf at any and all meetings in regards to this SanTan expansion. Thank you for helping to protect our future.

Terry Tampa  
Signature

Terry Tampa  
Name

588 S. Moosa Dr, Gilbert, AZ  
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August 15, 2000

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August 30, 2000

Dear Sir/Madam:

I have been informed that SRP has filed for a permit of Environmental Compatibility in order to build three new power generators in Gilbert at Warner and Val Vista Roads. As a neighbor to the San Tan Facility, let me say that I support Citizens Opposed to San Tan in either halting this facility altogether or seriously limiting its size. I would ask the Arizona Corporation Commission to do an independent study into the need for more power in the Valley before granting any permit to SRP.

SRP has stated that they need 2700 new megawatts of power in order to meet future needs. They have not proven that figure nor have they revealed where they will get this additional power since even with the San Tan expansion (825 new megawatts) they will still have a serious deficit. After they expand the Kyrene facility (250 megawatts) my understanding is that they will be short over 1600 megawatts. SRP told Tempe that without expanding the Kyrene facility (3 generators totaling 725 megawatts) there would be brownouts in the future. Knowing this, they then negotiated with Tempe to build a replacement plant to the current facility producing only 250 megawatts. They are now telling Gilbert residents the same thing. That if we do not build this facility we could be without air conditioning in summers to come. Since SRP hasn't revealed the whole picture, we do not know if San Tan will actually solve this problem or not. I do not take the need lightly but if they will require building another facility outside of town in the coming years, I would ask the ACC to require that they build a larger facility there, and bury the lines coming into town instead of building on a residential street. (Our homes are right across the street and some actually share a back wall with SRP's plant).

I realize that SRP has owned their property for over 20 years, however, they were first allowed to build the San Tan plant when there was nothing but acreage and farmland in Gilbert. In the last five years Gilbert has grown to over 100,000 people. We are already facing new pollution from all the new cars, new growth, the San Tan Freeway just south of us, the expansion of the Williams Gateway Airport and the widening of US 60.

Since the closest air monitoring station is three miles away and upwind of the facility I would ask you, as a part of the Arizona Corporation Commission, to please withhold granting any permits to SRP until they have agreed to pay for an independent study into the air and environmental impact this plant would have on our community. I would also like to ask that COST be allowed to speak on my behalf at any and all hearings in regards to the San Tan expansion. Thank you for your time in this regard.

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