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Commissioner Marc Spitzer
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 W. Washington
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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to you regarding my concern about the East Valley's energy future. Through newspapers, magazines and television, I am aware of the energy crisis that has plagued California for the past nine months.

I believe the Santan project is absolutely vital to providing a reliable supply of electricity to the East Valley. Here's why:

- SRP's electric supplies were nearly maxed out last summer.
- There is no more room on the high voltage transmission system to bring in more electricity from areas outside of the Valley.
- The entire West is short of electricity and California will soak up every spare kilowatt for several years to come.
- Competing with California on the open market means paying three or four times as much for electricity as we do today.
- Finally, Santan provides local generation, crucial for maintaining proper voltage and a reliable delivery system.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

E. Leslie Pospisil, D.D.S.

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ATTENTION: Mark Spitzer, Commissioner

Dear Sir: **L-00000B-00-0105**

I would like to express my feelings regarding the proposed expansion of the SRP San Tan Power Plant in Gilbert.

As a native of Arizona I recognize the necessity of an adequate power supply for our state. The unbelievable growth of the East Valley makes this plant not an option but a necessity in my opinion. The area residents who are complaining about this expansion, I can assure you, will be the first to complain if they have to do without power even for a few hours. They also will be the first to complain if our Electric Supply runs so short that we have to try to make more purchases from other areas, and their electric rates go sky high. I for one feel that each of these people who live in the area realized the power plant was there and in operation when they purchased their property and should have recognized the growth would require more electricity.

Please I would like to encourage you to recognize the needs in the East Valley and vote to let SRP complete the proposed expansion.

Thank you for considering this letter.

Sincerely,



Opal E. Pratt

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Marc Spitzer
Arizona Corporation Commission
Utilities Division
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Phoenix, AZ 85007
Ref. # L-0000B-00-0105

February 15, 2000

Dear Mr. Spitzer,

I write to you as a citizen of Arizona. I live 1.5 miles from the Santan power station. I've lived in Arizona for 21 years now and I'm never surprised at the lack of political morality and the non-existence of business ethics in this state.

I'm not going to beg or plead to the ACC. I know it would be in vain since it seems almost every politically held office in this wonderful state of ours is corrupt or dangles from the strings of corporate Arizona.

The small group of "long time resident's", that controls the east valley and "SRP" and pretends to be Christian, knows nothing about real morals and ethics. They deliberately went out of their way to foist upon us (their prey) this incredibly negative influence. Even after, it was proven the SRP lied and misled everyone. After, it was proven it would be detrimental to the health and welfare of the surrounding citizens. After, the Governor of California said his state was going to become power self-sufficient and told the neighboring states to drop dead. These so-called "Christians" did everything in their power to get this plant approved.

We'll all I can say to every dirty, corrupt and immoral person involved with this expansion is, the day will come when we call all the shots and when it does (and it will) we may not be very forgiving of the past. Some of us have very long memories!

Finally, for those of you on the ACC who consider themselves real Christians remember! Someday God will judge all of you for your actions. I hope you all have a clear conscience and sleep well at night, (and I'm sure some of you will) after approving this plant expansion.

James Timpano (Your prey)
Gilbert, AZ

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RE: Salt River Project Santan electrical power generating facility expansion
Docket #: L-0000B-00-0105

Dear Commissioner Spitzer,

I am writing to you regarding the proposed expansion of the Salt River Projects' Santan electrical power generating facility at Warner and Val Vista Roads in Gilbert. I request that you, as my elected representative in this matter, deny SRP's request to expand the Santan facility.

Unlike twenty years ago, the SRP Santan facility now sits in the heart of a highly residential and family oriented community. The demographics surrounding the SRP Santan facility have changed greatly in recent years, and this area is not where a power generating facility of the magnitude proposed by SRP should be located. According to the Maricopa County Tax Assessor, there are now more than 15,000 homes within a two mile radius of the SRP Santan site. This represents nearly 50,000 people, about one third of which are school age children. As any reasonable person can conclude, a power generating facility of the magnitude proposed by SRP should not be located in a highly residential area such as this. Please also bear in mind that the residents of this area are among the most highly educated and vote among the highest percentages of anywhere in Arizona. We will remember how you vote on this issue when we go to the polls for many years to come.

Again, I ask you as my elected representative in this matter, to deny SRP's request to expand the Santan power generating facility at Warner and Val Vista Roads in Gilbert.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Glenda Lathrum
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We live and own a house that is next to the Santan Power Plant. We are very much opposed to the expansion of this plant.. We cannot understand why you support this proposal, and are very disappointed in the Commission, especially when the power this plant produces may well be used for other places.

We understand that there are many other options available to the power company and certainly hope that they will choose one that is not so totally reckless to this existing and expanding neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Arlin J. Chester

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Arlin & Susan Chester

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Dear Mr. Spitzer,

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Thank you for the time spent hearing the residents of Gilbert's concerns. The San Tan plant has until this year, operated mainly in summer months when the pollution disperses into the air better than in the winter. With the California situation, SRP has found it profitable to operate the plant year round this year. This is the first year I have seen thick haze hanging around in the air of Gilbert. Usually, you can look towards downtown Phoenix and notice the hazy air in the distance. Now we have many days where it surrounds us like a thick fog.

This last Tuesday, we had an especially bad air inversion day. The plant was putting out a huge cloud of vapor and the haze was so thick you could cut it with a knife. Although they have used diesel this year, that day they were using natural gas. At my daughter's elementary school, $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile from the plant, children were out on the playground playing in this hazy polluted air with a huge cloud of vapor in the background. I can only imagine it was worse at Finley Farms Elementary which is only $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the plant.

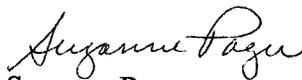
These inversions usually disappear in the late afternoon when air near the ground warms up and our children are out of school. But our children are in Gilbert all day. They don't leave town to go to work or school. (Even after the haze disappeared I could still see brown stuff hanging in the air over the plant.)

If this expansion gets built, this haze will become a permanent phenomenon in Gilbert on our stagnant air days. SRP is not taking into consideration the fact that they are going from summertime operations to a year round plant operating at approximately 80% capacity. Wintertime pollution will increase almost 100% from past years. Winter is the worst time for asthmatics in the valley!

As more plants are built and electricity prices go down, I am confident that SRP will not find it cost effective to operate their older plant year round as they have done this year. It has always been cost effective to only operate this older plant on peak demand days for SRP in the past. Please don't let SRP build a base load plant designed to operate year round in our neighborhood. This will be a very unhealthy place to live if this is approved. We have lived here 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ years and don't want to be driven out of our home to protect our children's health!

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Sincerely,


Suzanne Pager

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Chairman Bill Mundell,
Commissioner Jim Irvin,
Commissioner Marc Spitzer
Arizona Corporation Commission
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: In support of the Santan Generating Station in the Town of Gilbert

Dear Mr. Chairman and Commissioners: **L-00000B-00-0105**

I am writing as a long time Gilbert resident and principal in the east Valley development company of Langley Properties LLC to urge your approval of the Salt River Project's proposed expansion of the Santan Generating Station in Gilbert.

With the lesson of the California catastrophe before us, it seems unimaginable that the Commission could take anything other than a positive view of SRP's Santan Expansion Project. A review of testimony before the Arizona Power Plant & Transmission Line Siting Committee clearly shows that the proposed 825-megawatt plant will be needed by no later than 2004 to meet the East Valley's exploding energy demands.

As your docket abundantly demonstrates, a broad array of the East Valley business leaders, community leaders and residents have supported SRP's plan in full. Please heed the majority interest as this very important case is brought before you.

Sincerely,



Stacy Brimhall

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March 8, 2001

Marc Spitzer
Arizona Corporation Commission
Utilities Division
1200 W. Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Dear Mr. Spitzer:

I am writing to ask that you and the Arizona Corporation Commission do not approve the expansion of the San Tan Power Plant in Gilbert. There have been many mistakes made on the part of SRP, the Town of Gilbert, and the residents of Gilbert in not taking the necessary precautions to ensure that homes were not placed too close to the plant. Please don't let my children suffer because the adults, including myself that should have protected them failed to do so.

I realize that I do not have all the technical understanding of the operations of this plant, but I do know that the proper precautions were not taken to ensure that SRP nor the residents of Gilbert needs could both be met. Please don't let the wants of a company to expand by the "cheapest" route overshadow the safety and health needs of the people right here in Arizona. This isn't just a case of not in my backyard. A plant of this size does not belong anywhere near a residential community. I urge you to drive through our neighborhood on the nights that the plant is operating to hear for yourself the level of noise it produces. Regardless, of increased buffers for noise with the plant expansion, it will still increase the noise level and pollution because the plant will be much larger. If I were to personally make that much noise in this neighborhood, the property owners association as well as the police would reprimand me.

My family's future is in your hands, please do not approve the San tan Power Plant expansion in Gilbert. I am praying and will continue to pray that you and the Commission will seek the Lords wisdom to make the right decision in this matter. We can't go back and undo the building of homes in this area, but we can still make sure that this area stays healthy and safe for our children.

Sincerely,



Kendra Rose

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Arizona Corporation Commission
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Phoenix, Arizona

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RE: Salt River Project Santan electrical power generating facility expansion
Docket #: L-0000B-00-0105

Dear Commissioner Spitzer,

I am writing to you regarding the proposed expansion of the Salt River Projects' Santan electrical power generating facility at Warner and Val Vista Roads in Gilbert. I request that you, as my elected representative in this matter, deny SRP's request to expand the Santan facility.

Unlike twenty years ago, the SRP Santan facility now sits in the heart of a highly residential and family oriented community. The demographics surrounding the SRP Santan facility have changed greatly in recent years, and this area is not where a power generating facility of the magnitude proposed by SRP should be located. According to the Maricopa County Tax Assessor, there are now more than 15,000 homes within a two mile radius of the SRP Santan site. This represents nearly 50,000 people, about one third of which are school age children. As any reasonable person can conclude, a power generating facility of the magnitude proposed by SRP should not be located in a highly residential area such as this. Please also bear in mind that the residents of this area are among the most highly educated and vote among the highest percentages of anywhere in Arizona. We will remember how you vote on this issue when we go to the polls for many years to come.

Again, I ask you as my elected representative in this matter, to deny SRP's request to expand the Santan power generating facility at Warner and Val Vista Roads in Gilbert.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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Commissioner, Arizona Corporation Commission
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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RE: Santan Power Plant Expansion (Utilities Division Docket # L-0000B-00-0105)

Dear Mr. Spitzer,

My family and I are residents of the Warner/Val Vista area in Gilbert. We will be immediately affected by the proposed Santan Power Plant expansion to "the largest power plant in the United States surrounded by a residential community". We are appalled that you and other State officials are turning a deaf ear to our plight.

Yes, we knew that a power plant was nearby when we moved here from Scottsdale 5 years ago, but no one (builder, town official, or SRP) informed us, nor was any information available to us, of a potential expansion. Certainly, no one could have imagined that this power plant was slated to grow into an industrial facility of this magnitude. Ok, hindsight is 20/20, but this expansion is a direct assault on our community and violates our legal rights.

It will lower our property values by about 20-25% and will seriously affect the health of people living in this area. All we have worked for so hard all these years will be lost. Any equity we may have in our home will be gone. In fact, because of your actions we stand to lose a whole lot more, because no one in their right mind will buy property in this area after the mega plant is built.

SRP has employed deception and misinformation from the minute it ran into opposition. It wasted not a minute to exploit the California situation with the old power outage scare tactics. It has waged an outright propoganda war to drown out the public's voice of concern and resistance to this project, and has steam rolled the opposition. And, it is spending millions to buy State, County, and East Valley approval for this expansion (East Valley's commuter rail system study; converting Gilbert's school buses to alternate fuel; landscaping, horse trails, widening roads, etc., bribing Gilbert, the County and State to get approval. Where were they when the communities now surrounding the Santan were being built? We are sick of this!

The Gilbert mayor declared that it is not in her jurisdiction, because SRP is a "State" power onto itself. Well, it's quite clear to most of us who stand to lose everything, that you are either part of the problem, or you can stand up and do right by those who entrusted you with your office. Also, it is common knowledge that this project was fought hard and averted by Tempe before being dumped on Gilbert. Why Gilbert?

- Why wait until the area around the Santan is heavily populated.
- Why not build this plant on State or Federal land, which is about 2/3 of this State?
- Why not expand the Coolidge plant, which is away from the heavily populated area?
- Why not build it in a more remote or industrial area, not in the middle of a residential area?

For heaven's sake have you no concern for the thousands of people getting hurt here? You simply cannot permit this expansion. You weren't elected to be a rubber stamp. We have adequate power. Spend the money on a new plant. Expansion of the Santan will only generate power in our back yard, to be sold to WAPA, and ultimately to California for the highest profit. We implore you to put an end to this irresponsible plan, which is an unconscionable act upon this community that will ruin so many hopes and dreams.

Sincerely,



1040 South Western Skies Drive
Gilbert, AZ 85296
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Dear Mr. Spitzer,

As twelve year Gilbert residents who are actively involved and who are concerned about our community, we write this letter to express our opinions regarding the upcoming decision allowing SRP to expand their power generation plant at Warner and Val Vista (Docket#1-0000B-00-0105). Since one of us is a recently retired Gilbert educator and the other is a Gilbert business owner, we love our community and, after carefully researching the situation and obtaining as much information as possible, we are shocked that this expansion would even be considered in the heart of a residential neighborhood, especially since Gilbert has always strived to be a shining example of careful planning and "doing things right".

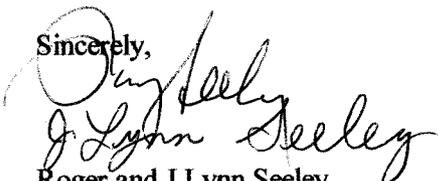
Much has been said about the need for additional sources of power. However, as the recent Arizona Republic article stated, "Arizona has proposed 20 power plants and they are all located in more remote areas and Arizona is becoming a power source for the Southwest! Thus, there are other options for building more power plants and the Santan plant should not be expanded since it will adversely affect the quality of life in our town and, more specifically, in the neighborhoods in close proximity of the proposed sight. We feel very strongly that the potential air quality concerns, the safety of the gas line that will run down Warner road, and the unsightly 150 feet stacks would degrade our community, turning it into a potentially undesirable place to live. This will translate into slower real estate values for the majority of homeowners in the surrounding area. This is especially concerning for many homeowners, whereby this represents their largest investment.

Our feeling, and that shared by many others, is simply that other site options were not considered primarily because the current Santan plant expansion will be "cheaper" for SRP, with no consideration of our community and the adverse effect of nearby residents.

In conclusion, it is our opinion that the Arizona Corporation Commission should not approve this plant for a variety of reasons, primarily because of environmental, safety, and decreasing property values (as indicated by Kevin Ross, the Maricopa County Assessor). PLEASE make the most logical, responsible decision and do not allow SRP to expand this Santan plant!

Thank you for your consideration of our opinions and feelings.

Sincerely,


Roger and J. Lynn Seeley
1049 South Western Skies Drive
Gilbert, AZ 85296

JOHN McCAIN
ARIZONA

CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE,
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Mr. Carl Kunasek
Chairman
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 W. Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2996

Dear Mr. Kunasek: **L-00000B-00-0105**

I wish to bring to your attention a matter concerning Tina and Mark Besthoff who have encountered a problem with the SRP San Tan Expansion Project in Gilbert.

Because the situation is under your jurisdiction, I am respectfully referring this matter to you for consideration. I feel that this issue would be better addressed by you and request that you respond directly to Tina and Mark Besthoff.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



John McCain
United States Senator

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Enclosure



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March 15, 2001

Dear Mr. Spitzer,

Re: Utilities Division Docket # L-0000B-00-0105.

Expanding the Santan Power Plant will destroy Gilbert's quality family community. Gilbert's skyrocketing growth over the last 10 years has been attributed to it's good schools and it's great family community. Gilbert will no longer be a healthy family community with the largest power plant in the United States surrounded by a residential community.

As Gilbert residents and Gilbert residential realtors, we have first hand experience with homebuyers and sellers. Property values are already coming down around the proposed expansion site. Sellers are discounting their listing and sales prices just to get rid of their property.

The more remote Coolidge plant is a much better alternative because fewer families will be affected by the sight, sounds, smells and pollution of the plant.

Why can't California build their own plants?

Sincerely,

John & Brenda Clark
480-813-2283

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Dear Mr. Spitzer,

I am writing to you today because I need your help. I am an Arizona native, Gilbert resident, Wife, and Mother of two little asthmatic girls. My home is within 1/2 mile of the SRP Santaan power plant. The proposed expansion of the plant to 1125 megawatts means that 2.14 tons of additional pollution will fill the air around our home daily. I am gravely concerned about the already compromised health of my children. Lauren, now five, already uses a steroid inhaler twice daily. The nebulizer has become a permanent fixture in our living room for both Lauren and Laine (2 1/2 yrs). We wish we could move our family to a safer part of the valley, but we are very financially tied to this home that we had planned to stay in forever. It is also becoming increasingly difficult to sell a home in this area for obvious reasons. We are trapped.

I am asking you to please stop this expansion and help protect the health of

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my family and neighbors. A power plant
of this size does not belong in anyones
neighborhood.

Thank you so much for your time
and understanding.

Sincerely,
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