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March 7, 2001

Mr. Marc Spitzer,

My husband and I, with our three daughters, live at 1551 E. Saratoga Ct. This is in the Silverstone Ranch community, located on the north-west corner of Val Vista and Warner Roads, behind the Fry's Plaza.

When we relocated from California, we specifically looked in Gilbert for our home. We feel we have a wonderful neighborhood and community.

The reason I am writing to you today is to express my concerns with the expansion of the S.R.P. Santan Project. Gilbert is known as a bedroom community, but if you allow S.R.P. to expand the Santan plant, Gilbert will be known as the town with the 825 megawatt power plant with three, fifteen story smoke stacks.

It will not matter how many reports show that the S.R.P. power plant will have no affect on our property values, and the pollution emitted will be within safe levels, I will, along with the many people I have spoken to, will feel that S.R.P. ruined our community.

After reading S.R.P.'s web site, it seems to me the Town of Gilbert is selling out at the expense of homeowners. Gilbert will receive all new street sweepers and hundred, thousands of dollars for Gilbert School District and for parks and equestrian trails around the plant.

It is evident that S.R.P. has the financial resources to build this plant anywhere. Yes, it would be easier for S.R.P. to expand the current power plant, but **please** do not allow this to happen at the expense of Gilbert's reputation and the quality of life for people that live in Gilbert.

Sincerely,

Peggy Sue Padilla



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Pages: <u>3</u>	Re:

- Urgent
- For Review
- Please Comment
- Please Reply

Attn: William Mundell, Jim Irvin, Marc Spitzer

RE: San Tan Power Plant:

As a life long Az resident + small business owner I have a hard time believing the steam rolling process as to which this power plant has been shoved down Gilbert residents throats. Mr. Spitzer I voted for you - don't let me down. If California has such a energy problem - let them build power plants in their residential neighborhoods? But, they would do that! Also, just how much is CAL in debt by this power crunch just ask Fountain Hills!

Mary McInnis

Please read the following editorial - I've check this letter

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
SALT RIVER PROJECT, OR THEIR ASSIGNEE (S),
IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS
THE ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES 40-360.03
AND 40-360.06 FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
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AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION
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NEAR AND WEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF
VAL VISTA DRIVE AND WARNER ROAD

CASE #105
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After the Arizona Corporation Commission Power Plant and Line Siting Committee hearing and closing arguments, I am opposed to SRP expanding the SanTan site since it would risk harming our community while not solving our long term power problems. I also believe that the record shows that there are other solutions to our power needs such as the ACC's recommendation to upgrade the current transmission system to better utilize SRP's surplus power outside the Valley.

SRP should be held to the same standard as APS and other industrial plants in seeking a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility. It does not have the support of the community and if it cannot pass the current standards and codes of the Town of Gilbert, it is not compatible and should be rejected.

PLEASE DENY THIS APPLICATION.

M. L. Lino *J. Lino*

Signature

Mary & Jay McInnis

Name

808 W. San Mateo Gilbert, Az 85233

Address

9 years 38 years in Az. Natives

Resident of Gilbert for how many years?

→ megawatt = 1,000 family ⁶⁴⁴⁻²⁸⁶³

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Gilbert ignored residents'

By Karen Botter

I am a resident of Neely Commons in Gilbert and purchased a home in April 2000. I, like many of my neighbors, oppose the expansion of the Santan power plant; I did not know there was a power plant in the vicinity as there was no disclosure to us by the developer, Gilbert or Salt River Project.

Some people have written to the paper stating that we should have known there was a power plant due to all the power lines in the area. There are power corridors all over the Valley and this does not necessarily indicate the location of a power plant nearby. Furthermore, this plant was only operating 10 to 20 percent of the time in April. We discovered its existence only after seeing plumes of smoke one day.

The assumption that SRP should be allowed to do whatever it wants simply because it was there first is not very responsible. Now thousands of residences surround the plant due to the fact the town allowed the rezoning of the area to "Residential" directly up to the plant.

MY TURN

This is hardly a sound planning decision and very irresponsible, as there should have been a buffer area surrounding this heavy industrial facility. SRP should also be held accountable as it is my understanding they did not attend any of the rezoning meetings to oppose the rezoning.

Gilbert was told in July 1999 by SRP that a proposal was going to be presented to the Arizona Corporation Commission for expansion of that plant. Mayor Cynthia Dunham and the Town Council have remained extremely silent and only attended one out of 19 hearings.

The "line siting committee members" chastised Dunham at the Feb. 12 hearing for not being more involved in the whole process. It should be pointed out to everyone that Councilman Mike Whelan from Mesa was appointed to the committee and he voted yes to the expansion. This represents a major conflict of interest and calls into question the impartiality of his decision.

Why wasn't there a council

member from Gilbert appointed to the committee? Committee member Dennis Sundis brought up the fact that every other major power plant is located remotely, why then does SRP think it must expand at Santan?

Neither SRP nor the engineer for the ACC could answer the question with any degree of conviction. Alternative locations were presented at the hearings such as Coolidge and a plant half built by SRP at Coronado. They were dismissed.

I have crunched the numbers, and we will never require the massive amount of power that SRP insists we require unless they sell it elsewhere.

I for one will be asking for answers from Mayor Dunham and the Town Council as to why there was no disclosure regarding the intentions of SRP, at the upcoming election forums. In this particular instance, Mayor Dunham and the council have not been responsive or responsible on this issue.

Karen Botter is a Gilbert resident. The views expressed are those of the author.

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Attn: Marc Spitzer, Commissioner

Dear Marc Spitzer,

Subject: #L-0000B-00-0105

I have been a resident of the Town of Gilbert for six months now. In these six months I have discovered a lot about this town. Since my builder Richmond American Homes, did not disclose a possible SRP expansion-I had to find that out from my neighbor-who coincidentally has been a resident for about six months. She lives a half-mile closer to the plant, located at Warner and Val Vista Roads, so the anti-SRP literature reached her first. I have also learned that the Mayor of Gilbert, Cynthia Dunham has only attended one of the 19 hearings regarding the proposal. Furthermore, Councilman Mike Whelan who voted for the expansion-LIVES IN MESA! Why on Earth would the Town of Gilbert allow rezoning of the land around the plant to "RESIDENTIAL?" And why didn't SRP oppose this rezoning-what ever happened to a buffer zone? The main reason I am writing to you is my seven- year old son. You see, he suffers from asthma, and I would have never moved into my house if my homebuilder had disclosed such a proposal. SRP should have made sure that some kind of notice was given to any potential homebuyers of new construction in the area. I promise that I will send you and SRP my son's asthma peak flow levels before and after the plant is expanded (that is if you still allow this to happen). When you and they see that my son's health has been destroyed will they care? Will you care? I know the Town of Gilbert won't care. Isn't it great to know that Gilbert will be a real-life model for the entire

U.S., since no other plant of this proposed size will be so close to so many schools and a residential neighborhood? They will be using our pollution and health readings to judge against their mathematical models.

I beg you to consider declining SRP's proposal for the sake of the children and elderly of Gilbert and for the sake of all the residents who weren't properly represented by our local government. SRP has the power, land and money to build expand or build a plant elsewhere.

Wholeheartedly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amy Ashcroft". The signature is fluid and extends to the right with a long tail.

Amy Ashcroft
Mom

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**Re: Case No. 105 - San Tan Power Plant Expansion
(Warner & Val Vista Roads)**

Dear Sirs:

This letter is being written to you to express the numerous concerns of Gilbert citizens regarding the anticipated expansion by Salt River Project of the San Tan Power Plant Facility at Warner and Val Vista Roads that the Arizona Corporation Commission Power Plant and Line Siting Committee will decide on Monday, February 12th.

As citizens of Gilbert, we are mad at our Town Leaders...

On April 25th, 2000, you, the Gilbert Town Council voted to approve entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with SRP, providing SRP's San Tan Expansion Project. The IGA was a major milestone in the development of the San Tan Expansion Project, planned 825-megawatt electric generating facility, with a **total expansion of 1125 megawatts by 2005**. You showed no regard to the Gilbert citizens of this densely populated residential community. Did you not think it would directly impact their lives? **With eighteen (18) power plants to be proposed and built in the State of Arizona, how could you approve the expansion of the ONLY POWER PLANT PROPOSED FOR IN A DENSELY POPULATED RESIDENTIAL AREA...OUR COMMUNITY!**

Why should the citizens of Gilbert become the "sacrificial lambs"?

You say you are powerless on these issues, but your silence is deafening! Where is your concern for our citizens?

As citizens of Gilbert, we are mad at our State Representatives and Senators...

You would think that with the lives of almost 40,000 constituents in the balance, you could give us a moment of your time. You give us

lip service and little more. We have come to expect this. Who do you represent anyway? **With eighteen (18) power plants to be proposed and built in the State of Arizona, how can you stand by while SRP proposes the expansion of the only power plant proposed in a densely populated residential area...our community!**

As citizens of Gilbert, we are mad at the media...

We are tired of you skirting and clouding the issues. Every time we voice our concerns about health issues, property values, or give you information that substantiates real concerns over the San Tan 825 megawatt power plant expansion, you give us video and sound bites of black-outs in California and inform us that this could be a reality here in Arizona...with a sense of urgency that our lights will go out too! It is, at best, inaccurate reporting. The evidence presented by the COST Committee from research and public records indicates that we do not and will not have California's problem. But you chose to ignore these facts. They tell you about harmful emissions from this proposed power plant, the effects on our health, especially the elderly and children, and not only do you ignore these facts, but fail to report them. You were once called the "public watchdogs." Your one-sided reporting, misinformation or lack of information is appalling and should be a major concern to all!

As citizens of Gilbert, we are mad at Governor Jane Hull...

More than once you have said we are not going to have California's energy problem, because we have planned so well. **The San Tan Power Plant Expansion at Warner and Val Vista Roads is one of eighteen (18) recently proposed or approved power plants in the state of Arizona and the only one proposed for in a densely populated residential area...our community!** Yes, the people whose homes and lives are going to be jeopardized by this power plant expansion have every right to say "we don't want it in our backyard." We don't want it and we don't need it on Warner and Val Vista Roads in Gilbert. There are other sites; there are other power plants! Why jeopardize our children's health, our homes, and our community? **The lights will not go out in Arizona if the proposed San Tan Power Plant Expansion to be located on**

Warner and Val Vista Roads is built in a more remote site! Have you ever been to Warner and Val Vista Roads Governor Hull...this intersection is surrounded by homes, supermarkets, schools, churches, parks...our community...our investment for the future for our families and ourselves. What are you thinking? Do you really believe it belongs in OUR backyard?

And finally, as citizens of Gilbert, we are mad at SRP...

You show no regard for the residents of Gilbert. You insult us by saying you will clean up the existing power plant if you can build another three times the size adjacent to it. If the state had the technology to clean up the existing plant, why wasn't it done sooner? This is one of your bargaining chips. How much cleaner would our air be if you cleaned up the existing plant and built the expansion on a new site and **not in a densely populated residential area!**

You say the citizens of Gilbert want this plant, yet meetings and hearing are **NOT** held in the Town of Gilbert, but in adjacent cities, with inconvenient dates and times, that will guarantee the smallest possible turnout. Among your offers to the Town of Gilbert there are two street sweepers, a horse trail, a forty-foot high dirt mountain with trees on it! **What a trade off our health, our community, our future!**

You show statistics that the population of Gilbert will double within the decade, the San Tan Freeway, increased traffic, more homes, and businesses and the need for more power, here in Gilbert. With these projections, if this power plant expansion isn't approved in Gilbert, we will have no power. But to your credit, you have proposed and anticipate approval of **eighteen (18)** new power plants and more on the way that can handle not only the demands for Gilbert and the entire Valley, but also have a sizeable surplus to sell to outside markets. **But you insist that the largest power plant expansion be built on Warner and Val Vista Roads...a highly densely populated residential area.**

The EPA reports say emissions from the proposed power plant of this size are harmful to living things! So why would you build a horse trail around it? You say you have models and statistics. You

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Re: **Proposed S.R.P. San Tan Power plant Expansion** L-00000B-00-0105
At Val Vista and Warner Rd., Gilbert, AZ

Dear Mr. Spitzer:

We are residents and homeowners in Gilbert, Arizona. We speak on behalf of our family, as well as those fellow residents who also oppose this intrusion into our neighborhood, but who may not write to you. **We strongly oppose the proposed expansion of the S.R.P. San Tan Power plant located at Val Vista and Warner Rd., Gilbert, Arizona,** for the following reasons:

The existing SRP facility was built over 25 years ago when there was little, if any, development in the area; now, over 25 years later, the town of Gilbert has grown into a heavily populated residential area, growing rapidly. **An industrial facility of the size and nature proposed by SRP has no business being located in a heavily populated residential area such as Gilbert.** Nowhere else in the nation is there a facility of the size and nature of what SRP now proposes located in such a similarly heavily populated residential area. Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

Further, our "Valley of the Sun" is already struggling to meet E.P.A. air quality standards, and has had to have an extension of time to be able to meet the standards. Why add to the already existing air problems by locating in Gilbert? Have you seen the pollution carrying clouds of steam rising continuously from the existing plant? We have, and we don't want double or triple that in our backyard! Our children have to breathe this air!

Nor is there any good reason why the plant has to be expanded at this location: there are other sites available for this power plant which are not in close proximity to so much population. Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

SRP has not even conducted any government controlled environmental impact study on the facility they propose! SRP does not truly know what the impact will be of operating this proposed expanded facility in close proximity to so much residential population. A medical doctor who has reviewed the levels of emissions contemplated by the proposed expanded facility was shocked that allowing this to take place was even a possibility! Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

And why should SRP be allowed to build a pollution generating facility in this Gilbert residential area, when the bulk of the power will be transported to, and consumed by, users nowhere near Gilbert? If you allow this plant to be built, other users, far away, get the power, SRP gets the profit, and us residents of Gilbert get the pollution. How is that right? It's not! Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

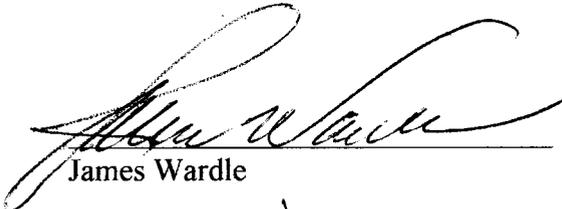
And don't be misled by SRP's recently raised claims of the need to generate power close to the point of consumption: if power transmission was such a problem, how could the "Four Corners" coal-fired generating facility, the Hoover Dam hydro facility, or the Palo Verde nuclear facility have operated so successfully all these years? Power from these facilities is transported literally hundreds of miles, with no problem. Yet, now that it wants to expand in Gilbert, SRP claims it would be a problem to build in Coolidge, Arizona, and transport power 30 miles into the valley! That argument defies logic! Don't be misled by SRP's false arguments!

Contrary to the recent media blitz of "power shortages", we have no power shortage in Arizona, nor are we likely to anytime in the near future: Arizona consumes only 5,002 megawatts of the 15,000 megawatts presently produced by SRP; the rest is sold outside our borders, and 10 more power generating facilities have already been approved to be built in the coming several years. Our needs now, and in the future, will be met without expanding the San Tan generating facility in Gilbert.

As a homeowner, we are concerned about lower property values if the expansion is approved. Who will want to buy a home near an industrial facility? WE wouldn't, nor would you! The generating facilities at Palo Verde, Four Corners, and Hoover Dam do not impact residential land values because they are nowhere near residential development. But there is a very real, very negative, financial impact to this expansion. Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

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Sincerely,


James Wardle


Lori Wardle

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say we will be better off, but smaller proposed power plants with populations living further away than the proposed San Tan Power Plant Expansion have been unanimously turned down because of the potential harmful health hazards to people. We say "potential harmful hazards" because we won't know what will happen...do we? This is a big risk you are willing to take at the expense of the citizens of Gilbert! An expansion on the intersection of Warner and Val Vista Roads is utter madness! This is our community...what are you thinking!

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Reference: Docket #L-0000B-00-0105

Dear Mr. Spitzer:

Regarding the proposed power plant at Val Vista and Warner in Gilbert:

Could you please justify for me the following?

- 1) Placing a power plant of such magnitude in the middle of established residential neighborhoods and having to develop an evacuation plan because of its potential danger.
- 2) Allowing the health and well being of the families in the surrounding areas to be in such a life threatening position. We bought our home a year and a half ago near the existing plant, not the proposed plant. There was no disclosure to us regarding the expansion. The plans for the expansion have been on the books longer than a year.
- 3) Allowing a power plant to be built knowing that property values will plummet. (This has already be confirmed)
- 4) Allowing the largest of the proposed power plants to be built in a residential area knowing that there are 19 other plants forthcoming. If this was not a good thing for Tempe, why is it good for Gilbert?
- 5) SRP also claims they will be bringing in new landscaping. Who is going to be responsible for the upkeep? Certainly you can't believe they will. Have you seen the landscaping surrounding the plant now? Obviously my idea of upkeep and theirs are at opposite ends of the spectrum.

We as home and landowners would not do anything to endanger or disrupt the lives of our neighbors. Why is SRP allowed to ruin our lives just because "they own the land"? With the money that SRP will be making selling off power from the other proposed plants, they can build elsewhere. This expansion is not needed for power; it's needed to make money. But it is at the homeowner's expense.

I hope you will consider all aspects of the potential devastation this will cause to the area surrounding this expansion. Help us save our homes, our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marley Smith". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and address.

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RE: Docket Number L-0000B-00-0105

Dear Commissioner Spitzer:

During the next several weeks, you and your fellow commissioners will be deciding whether or not to approve the Line Siting Committee recommendation to grant SRP's application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility for the above-referenced expansion of their Santan Plant. I attended many of the hearings and based on the information presented by SRP, it is inconceivable that the committee could sincerely believe SRP has shown this plant expansion to be environmentally compatible. SRP's presentation didn't even substantiate the need for more power, particularly when one considers there are approximately 16 new power plants in the works already. It was readily apparent that the committee's decision had been predetermined by something other than the actual evidence presented at the hearings.

There are other more environmentally sound alternatives to expanding this plant, including running additional transmission lines (something SRP plans to do anyway). It is unconscionable, not to mention incredibly shortsighted, to permit this environmental disaster in the middle of a densely populated residential neighborhood, particularly when other viable alternatives exist. While environmental issues may need to be balanced with the need for additional power, it is *NEVER* acceptable to *DELIBERATELY POISON* people, as this 1,125 megawatt power plant will! Essentially, this constitutes legalized robbery, stealing the health of residents, and potentially shortening their life span by years. No one has that right, for any reason.

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The Line Siting Committee did not require SRP to comply with the interveners request that a condition be imposed requiring SRP to setup a fund to cover potential losses in property values. Apparently, the Committee bought SRP's defense that this would set bad public policy, and that next people would want to be reimbursed for damages caused by other pollution sources, such as freeways. This is a pretty amusing statement coming from SRP, considering they insist that there will not be any negative impact to property values as a result of this plant expansion. In any event, there is really no comparison here. A freeway, by virtue of the purpose for which it is constructed, must be located in a particular area. Conversely, a power plant can be located anywhere and achieve essentially the same goal. As a minimum, SRP should certainly be held financially liable for any and all damages resulting from their ill-conceived site choice. The failure of the Line Siting Committee to diligently pursue this issue is only further evidence that the proceedings were a sham. Considering the amount of time and money private citizens have invested in opposition to this plant, one would at least hope for a fair hearing. The burden of proof seems to have been shifted from SRP to the citizens opposing this plant. Unfortunately, not only do we not have the endless financial resources that SRP does, representation on our behalf by the Town of Gilbert has been noticeably absent, with the lone exception of Mike Evans.

SRP has eluded to some sort of inherent right to add-on because they were here first. In actuality, some of us were here before them. My home was constructed in 1974, a year before the Santan Plant came online. *The Santan Plant was never intended to be a base load plant.* This is probably why the Town of Gilbert allowed developers to build homes in the immediate vicinity. Up until very recently, this 300 megawatt facility was running less than 20% of the time, supplying back up generation only, as was intended. Now SRP wants to expand this to 1,125 megawatts, and run it 24/7. Under these circumstances, I would not have bought my house here - there are many other choices in Gilbert and if this plant goes forward, common sense dictates that any potential buyer with half a brain won't be looking in this

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area.

I was quite confident up until the Line Siting Committee's decision that good judgement and morality would prevail. Obviously I was wrong, and I am becoming increasingly concerned that sanity has fallen by the wayside. I am alarmed by the concern William Mundell voiced several weeks ago regarding the power shortage in California and the potential requirement that Arizona provide power to that state. While that possibility exists (albeit miniscule), it would be short term, and consequently irrelevant to this issue. The State of Arizona currently generates twice as much power as we use, with a ton more already on the way. He also expressed concern that Arizona residents might be relegated to some sort of forced conservation program as a result. That such a concept is worrisome is a sad commentary on us! Whether we like it or not, at some point in time we will need to act responsibly and conserve our natural resources. Geologists estimate that at the current rate of consumption, North America will exhaust its supply of natural gas (the fuel for all these new power plants) within 66 years. Couple that with an anticipated increase in usage of 50%, and it's very apparent WE DO NOT HAVE AN ENDLESS SUPPLY OF ENERGY!

There is also a valid concern regarding the water supply. SRP states that water will be delivered through their canals. Unfortunately, canals undergo dry up for one month each year, and during this one month period, SRP will be tapping into Gilbert's ground water supply at the rate of approximately 5,320,000 to 8,352,000 gallons per day. Additionally, the excess CAP water SRP claims will be available to supply their plant most likely will not exist once all the other power plants planned for Arizona come online. In this case, they will be using Gilbert ground water, seriously threatening the integrity of our water table. Apparently, SRP can do this unchecked because of water rights granted to them under their municipality status. It is this status that has apparently given them all sorts of rights, including immunity from the Town of Gilbert zoning requirements. At this point, one would even

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have to question how it is that they qualify for this status. As a public entity, SRP has a decidedly unfair advantage over any competitors, which is unjustifiable in a deregulated market no longer subject to rate caps in 2004. Perhaps revoking this undeserved status would be a more appropriate action than granting a CEC.

SRP's expansion scheme (more accurately described as a scam), is nothing more than a ruse devised to make money for them at the expense of Gilbert residents. They have been able to dupe the vast majority of people through the use of dirty tricks and scare tactics as the means to an end. No consideration has been given to the fact that the Valley is dangerously polluted already (in fact, we have the dubious honor of being one of the most polluted areas in the entire United States). No consideration has been given to the amount of pollution the future Santan Freeway will add to East Valley air simply because it is a "future" event. Considering that SRP's entire case for establishing the need for more power rests entirely on "future" population growth expectations, it's pretty ludicrous that the issue of the Santan Freeway has been precluded as inadmissible. It is a "certain" future event, whereas increased future electricity demand are estimated projections, based solely on "probability", not fact. It is exactly this illogical disregard for the ramifications of our actions that has resulted in most of the problems we currently face, including our impending kilowatt crisis.

Please be the voice of reason that puts a stop to compounding the mistakes already made. The Line Siting Committee established that additional transmission lines (which SRP is going to do anyway), would eliminate the need for this plant expansion. While it might cost a little more, it is immoral to place a price tag upon the well-being of Gilbert residents.

It may appear that SRP has had a fairly easy fight up until now and putting the stamp of approval might seem the most expedient thing to do. They certainly are quite confident

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that you will back them up, as indicated by Scott Harelson of SRP. He stated he knows of no case in history where a power plant construction request was denied after the siting committee recommended approval. Then let this be the first! I know of no other case in history where a utility company had the audacity to attempt to construct an 1,125 megawatt in the center of a residential neighborhood! Most residents that actually understood the particulars of this proposed expansion were incredulous that it was even being considered. They didn't seriously think that the Line Siting Committee would favor this plant expansion, and consequently did not bother to actively oppose it's approval. As this plant becomes closer to reality, what appears to be apathy will most likely be replaced with aggressive opposition.

As part of the immediate environment located directly south of the Santan Plant, please be advised that this plant expansion is NOT ENVIRONMENTALLY COMPATIBLE WITH ME!. Please deny SRP's application, and send them a clear message that such disregard for the environment and the residents of Gilbert, will not be tolerated.

Sincerely,



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Re: **Proposed S.R.P. San Tan Power plant Expansion** L-00000B-00-0105
At Val Vista and Warner Rd., Gilbert, AZ

Dear Mr. Spitzer:

We are residents and homeowners in Gilbert, Arizona. We speak on behalf of our family, as well as those fellow residents who also oppose this intrusion into our neighborhood, but who may not write to you. **We strongly oppose the proposed expansion of the S.R.P. San Tan Power plant located at Val Vista and Warner Rd., Gilbert, Arizona,** for the following reasons:

The existing SRP facility was built over 25 years ago when there was little, if any, development in the area; now, over 25 years later, the town of Gilbert has grown into a heavily populated residential area, growing rapidly. **An industrial facility of the size and nature proposed by SRP has no business being located in a heavily populated residential area such as Gilbert.** Nowhere else in the nation is there a facility of the size and nature of what SRP now proposes located in such a similarly heavily populated residential area. Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

Further, our "Valley of the Sun" is already struggling to meet E.P.A. air quality standards, and has had to have an extension of time to be able to meet the standards. Why add to the already existing air problems by locating in Gilbert? Have you seen the pollution carrying clouds of steam rising continuously from the existing plant? We have, and we don't want double or triple that in our backyard! Our children have to breathe this air!

Nor is there any good reason why the plant has to be expanded at this location: there are other sites available for this power plant which are not in close proximity to so much population. Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

SRP has not even conducted any government controlled environmental impact study on the facility they propose! SRP does not truly know what the impact will be of operating this proposed expanded facility in close proximity to so much residential population. A medical doctor who has reviewed the levels of emissions contemplated by the proposed expanded facility was shocked that allowing this to take place was even a possibility! Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

And why should SRP be allowed to build a pollution generating facility in this Gilbert residential area, when the bulk of the power will be transported to, and consumed by, users nowhere near Gilbert? If you allow this plant to be built, other users, far away, get the power, SRP gets the profit, and us residents of Gilbert get the pollution. How is that right? It's not! Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

And don't be misled by SRP's recently raised claims of the need to generate power close to the point of consumption: if power transmission was such a problem, how could the "Four Corners" coal-fired generating facility, the Hoover Dam hydro facility, or the Palo Verde nuclear facility have operated so successfully all these years? Power from these facilities is transported literally hundreds of miles, with no problem. Yet, now that it wants to expand in Gilbert, SRP claims it would be a problem to build in Coolidge, Arizona, and transport power 30 miles into the valley! That argument defies logic! Don't be misled by SRP's false arguments!

Contrary to the recent media blitz of "power shortages", we have no power shortage in Arizona, nor are we likely to anytime in the near future: Arizona consumes only 5,002 megawatts of the 15,000 megawatts presently produced by SRP; the rest is sold outside our borders, and 10 more power generating facilities have already been approved to be built in the coming several years. Our needs now, and in the future, will be met without expanding the San Tan generating facility in Gilbert.

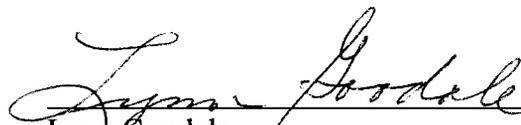
As a homeowner, we are concerned about lower property values if the expansion is approved. Who will want to buy a home near an industrial facility? WE wouldn't, nor would you! The generating facilities at Palo Verde, Four Corners, and Hoover Dam do not impact residential land values because they are nowhere near residential development. A member of my family, within the past 30 days, had earnest money down on a new home near the facility, cancelled the purchase when he learned of the proposed power plan expansion; he bought elsewhere. There is a very real, very negative, financial impact to this expansion. Please do not allow SRP to expand their San Tan facility in Gilbert!

For all these reasons, we strongly oppose the proposed expansion of the S.R.P. San Tan Power plant located at Val Vista and Warner Rd., Gilbert, Arizona

Sincerely,



R. Austin Goodale



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