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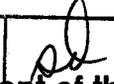
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RE: Santan Generating Station Expansion DOCKETED  
ACC case #105 Docket # L-00000B-00-0105

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Gentlemen,

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My name is Steven Smith and I ~~am the President of the~~ Board of Directors for the Festiva Tempe Homeowners Association, which is, located approximately 1/2 mile from the Kyrene Generating Station. I understand that you will be hearing arguments tomorrow for and against the proposed expansion of the Santan generating facility, so I am writing you with the hope that I may shed some light on the matter.

I have discussed this issue at great lengths with many people, but none more than my wife, and, from this, I have realized that trying to argue in support of the expansion is futile when the facts and data have been so twisted and manipulated by a certain few to scare so many. I am sure you have heard most of the evidence, both true and twisted, and will continue to hear it in the next few weeks so I will not bore you with it. What I would like to convey to you is that the motivations and tactics, from which those who are opposing the plant operate, are not entirely honorable.

I know this because I have experienced it. I was one of the community leaders involved in the negotiations mediated by Grant Woods for the Kyrene project and I had the unfortunate experience of witnessing, first hand, the scare tactics and underhanded manipulations employed by those who organize the opposition to these projects. If you think the opposition group from the Kyrene project is in no way involved with or are influencing the Citizens Opposing Santan, you are sadly mistaken.

The idea that a core group of activists from a few of Tempe's "elite" communities can use their connections and money to railroad projects that are so vital to the future of the East Valley is thoroughly offensive. The fact that they have been able to so completely deceive all of these innocent community members through emotionally charged, negative propaganda is shameful, not to mention a complete breach of their agreement with the City of Tempe and SRP to not become involved in the Gilbert issue.

Of course, we can't overlook the most public display of their modus operandi by ousting the Mayor of Gilbert and threatening council members with recall if they do not support their cause. With that said, I hope you WILL NOT succumb to their threats and pressures, and know that all of us in this community who are willing to accept responsibility for sensible power generation to ensure the future of our society are behind

you 100%. Please don't allow us to become dependent on others for our power. We will pay dearly for it.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S.A. Smith', with a horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

**Steven A. Smith**  
**President, Board of Directors**  
**Festiva Tempe HOA**