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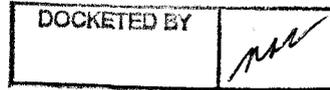
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RE: Bowie Power Station  
Case # ~~1018~~ 118

With regards to approval of the certificate of environmental compatibility in the construction of the Bowie Power Station in Bowie, Arizona, I am sending this letter of support for the project. Bowie is located 25 miles east of Willcox and construction of the power station will provide an enhancement to the economy of the entire northern Cochise County area.

Approximately 200-300 positions will be provided during the initiation construction phase and 40-50 full time position once it is brought online, thus addressing impact to employment, but there are other economic benefits to be considered. Additional tax revenues, service position, an enhanced housing market are a few other spin-off compensations.

For many years this area has depended on agriculture as a bases for the economy. In the past decade this industry has seen considerable reduction in its impact and the area has struggled to find an alternative industry to off set the loss of jobs and tax revenues. Construction of the Bowie Power Station will provide a significant development to the recovery efforts and provide an environmental friendly, alternative industry.

As a native of the area, I possess an ardent understanding of the needs of the residents and their desire to attain industry sufficient to sustain the life style we have grown accustom to. It is with this knowledge I submit my support and that of the Willcox Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture for the Bowie Power Station, LLC in attaining approval for this project.

I am sure the Commission will take this case under careful consideration and render a progressive judgment. For any further information please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Pati Fickett  
Executive Director