Please support the proposed decision of Administrative Law Judge Hallie Yacknin to reject SDG&E’s application 1105023. The proposed decision respects the state of California’s leading order, which places energy efficiency, renewability, and distributed energy generation ahead of new gas-fired power plants. I object to SDG&E profiting from selling the gas to generate the electricity, then sell the electricity that was generated, while San Diego citizens pay rate increases for the significant and unnecessary costs of these fossil fuel plants while suffering the related health impacts. This project is driven by greed with no regard for the public community or green energy initiatives.

The proposed location of the Quail Brush project will spew more than 200 tons of yearly air pollution within thousands of feet of schools, parks, recreational areas, many citizens’ homes, and within the heart of the multiple species habitat planning area. It is in the middle of designated open space lands and adjacent to Mission Trails Regional Park, one of the largest urban parks in the country.

Both the Santee City Council and the San Diego City Council have voted unanimously to oppose the Quail Brush Power Plant. Many community organizations and thousands of citizens have opposed Quail Brush with letters and petitions to the CEC. Multiple studies have clearly shown that a new fossil fuel power plant is not needed in the San Diego region. The continuance of existing plants, coupled with the advancements being ushered in through renewable energy, make the Quail Brush project obsolete.

Now is the time to promote local rooftop and parking lot solar and grid storage for any future power generation thereby furthering energy efficiency from truly renewable and non-polluting resources. Our state has a special opportunity to be leaders in the solar movement and reduce greenhouse gases. Quail Brush is the wrong power plant, proposed for the wrong place, at the wrong time.

Respectfully,

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