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U. S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Clerk of the Board, Environmental Appeals Board  
Ariel Rios Building  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20460-0001

To: Clerk of the Board

We, the undersigned Alameda County residents, are opposed to the construction of the Russell City Energy Center (RCEC) in Hayward, California by Calpine Corporation.

Alameda County has the dirtiest air quality among the nine Bay Area counties as reported by the San Francisco Chronicle during January 2010. The Bay Area has been designated as violating the Clean Air Act's standards for PM 2.5 in addition to already violating the Act's standards for 8 Hour Ozone. The RCEC will emit almost two million tons of CO2 annually.

The Alameda County Health Department has expressed its concern over the plant's proximity to nearby neighborhoods which already suffer from high rates of respiratory and asthma problems. Approval of the construction will result in a disproportionate health impact on seniors, children, minority and low-income local residents. In addition, approval of the RCEC will hinder EPA's Environmental Justice Program which promotes a healthy environment for all citizens regardless of incomes. The power produced by the RCEC will be of no benefit to nearby residents since it has been designated for San Mateo and parts of Santa Clara County. The plant may impact aircraft safety at the Hayward Airport when plumes of steam are released and increased noise levels are anticipated.

We ask for your support in helping us work toward a healthy environment for all Alameda County residents and preventing an increase in the number of greenhouse gas emitters in the Bay Area.

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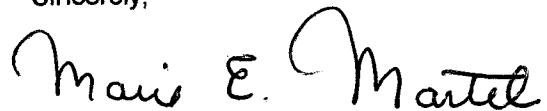
If you would like to provide me with status information in order for me to share it with residents who have signed this request, feel free to contact me:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marie E. Martel". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Marie E. Martel