



PLAINSBORO

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February 13, 2023

Honorable Shawn M. LaTourette, Commissioner
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
401 East State Street
PO Box 402
Trenton, NJ 08625-0420

Dear Commissioner LaTourette:

I am writing on behalf of the Plainsboro Township Committee to express support for the Plainsboro Environmental Advisory Committee's (EAC) position opposing the proposed power plant by supplier CPV to be located in the Keasbey section of Woodbridge.

The EAC has reviewed CPV's plans for the proposed 657-megawatt combined-cycle natural gas electric generating facility to be located adjacent to their existing energy center in Woodbridge. This proposed fossil fuel burning plant will be a major source of air contaminants and will require permitting under the Federal Title V air regulations. The EAC believes that the proposed air emissions from this facility is estimated to produce 2,374,633 tons of greenhouse gases, representing a significant source of greenhouse gas emissions and affecting air quality within and beyond Middlesex County. In addition, the EAC understands that a need for the additional power produced by this proposed plant has not been established and that no specific contracted user of this proposed generated power has been identified. Finally, the EAC believes that the plant may provide energy to users mostly located outside of New Jersey.

The governing body supports the EAC's opinion that the issuance of permits by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to build this plant would be inconsistent with the goals of the State of New Jersey to transition to renewable sources of energy and away from fossil fuel-based generating facilities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Peter A. Cantu
Mayor of Plainsboro Township

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cc: Senator Linda Greenstein
Assemblyman Daniel Benson
Assemblyman Wayne DeAngelo
Plainsboro Township Committee
Plainsboro Environmental Advisory Committee