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Letter:

Dear Bureau of Land Management and California Public Utilities Commission:

When I first moved to California in 2003 from Pennsylvania, among the first sites I saw when driving into the state on HWY 10, after driving through many many miles of desert, was the Palm Spring Wind Farm. I found it breath-takingly beautiful, not just the mechanics of the elegant blades and towers, but mostly the symbolism it represented. It was like driving into the promise of our future. Wind farms like this are our best hope for a clean energy future. To get away from our current energy and environmental problems. I implore you to please permit the Tule Wind project to help energize our future with clean pollution-free energy.

I am a resident of San Diego County, and I urge you to certify the EIR/EIS for the Tule Wind project.

The wind resource in McCain Valley is rare and valuable, and I feel confident that the mitigation measures proposed in the EIR will address the issues of concern. I ask you to keep the Tule Wind Power Project at its currently proposed size.

I believe that renewable energy is critical to meeting San Diego's growing power demands and long-term energy concerns. Wind energy is a free and unlimited resource. It helps California reach its renewable energy goals, lowers our dependence on imports of natural gas, oil and other fuels, and reduces smog and greenhouse gas pollution. This energy can be used to fuel our electric vehicles in the very near future. California and the US have renewable energy goals we need to meet, projects like this are NEEDED to meet our goals.

The Tule Wind Power Project will reduce CO2 emissions by approximately 250,000 tons per year, making our air cleaner and reducing our impact on climate change. As with any wind farm, less than two percent of the land in the wind project area will be used for actual wind power production, leaving the land free for existing recreational uses.

The Tule Wind Power Project will provide renewable energy to power more than 60,000 San Diego area homes, bring \$5 million annually to county revenues, and create approximately 325 much-needed jobs at the peak of construction and 12 permanent jobs for local residents.

If we are going to commit to renewable energy, the time to do so is now. We can't afford to delay bringing jobs, revenue and responsible renewable energy sources to our communities.

As a resident of San Diego County, these issues are important to me. I urge you to certify the EIR/EIS

and allow the Tule Wind Power Project to proceed as proposed. The impacts to our community will be far greater if this does not move forward.

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