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Volunteer: by contacting us via e-mail or telephone. Our Volunteers are the most essential platform organization. Your contribution will make a big difference.

Donate: we offer two ways to contribute financially:

(1) Online via pay pal PayPal or Credit Card



or, (2) mail your check with the donation form below.

Funds collected by Ladera HOPE will be used to cover expenses related to professional services (legal and technical), as well as other costs and expenses associated with the pursuit of our cause. It is our goal to (i) raise awareness about the power plant project and its impact on the health, environment and economic welfare of the Ladera Ranch community, (ii) seek measures to have the power plant relocated to a site which is not adjacent to a residential community, and (iii) preserve the quality of life in and around Ladera Ranch. However, there can be no assurance or guarantee as to the outcome of Ladera HOPE's efforts.

Upon receipt of your donation, we will supply you with a receipt by e-mail. At this time your donation is NOT tax deductible. We are applying for tax exempt status (a process which takes generally 60 to 90 days) and if we obtain such status we will post that information on the website.

Ladera HOPE Donation

I would like to donate:

\$100 \$200 \$500 \$1,000

Name: _____

Street: _____

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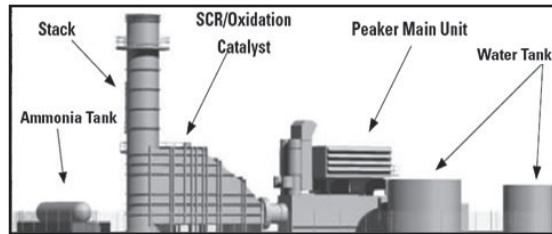
Mail check to: **Ladera HOPE**
27762 Antonio Parkway L1-537
Ladera Ranch, CA 92694

About the Power Plant

Site for this "Peaker Power Unit" is right in our neighborhood.



Similar unit in Stanton, CA



Project Details

- Location - Avendale and Antonio, Ladera Ranch
- Projected Start Date - February 2008
- What is it? - Natural Gas Peaker Power Plant

Facility Purpose

Wellhead Power Margarita, LLC will provide additional electricity to the grid on an intermittent basis to provide needed power during periods of peak demand. Wellhead Power Margarita, LLC is an independent power producer and is responsible for the development and operation of the proposed power plant.

Project Description

The project consists of installing a power plant with the capability of generating a total of 48.2 megawatts (MW) of electrical power consisting of one LM6000 PC Sprint gas turbine configured for simple cycle operation with associated air pollution control system, an internal combustion engine, and an aqueous ammonia storage tank. Since the above equipment has the potential to emit pollutants in excess of the levels specified in AQMD Rule 212(g), a public notice is required.



Why Should We Care?



Ladera HOPE is a non-profit, all volunteer organization funded through the support of the community.

Ladera HOPE was incorporated as of December 27, 2007. It is our mission to raise awareness about issues affecting the health, environment and economic welfare of the community, and to preserve the quality of life in and around Ladera Ranch.

Ladera HOPE is made up of people just like you. Local residents who right now are doing whatever we can to have the proposed power plant built where it won't put ANY residents in harm's way. Please join us in this effort to Keep the Dream Alive.

A Power Plant In Ladera... Why Should I Care?



• **50' Exhaust Stack -
300' From Homes
18,000 Gallons of
Aqueous Ammonia On Site**

• **Decreased Property Value**

• **Permitted To Run 8 Hours/Day, 307 Days/Year**

• **Emits 20+ Toxic Air Contaminants**

(Many Are Known Carcinogens)

• **Approved With Only Minimal Review**

• **Opens Door to Future Industrial Expansion**

• **OTHER NON-RESIDENTIAL SITES ARE AVAILABLE**

No one can afford to take the attitude of...

"Someone else will take care of this."

You are that someone!!



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Did You Know?

→ **PLANNED FOR SUBSTATION AT THE CORNER OF ANTONIO AND AVENDALE IN LADERA RANCH.**

- Site is roughly 300 ft. from homes, 1500 ft. from a preschool, w/i a mile of 7 schools.
- Federal government says this plant is a major air pollution facility (subject to Title V of the Clean Air Act)
- Construction could start as soon as February 2008.

→ **ABOUT THE RISKS TO OUR COMMUNITY.**

- Truck delivery of toxic ammonia to site will close streets and endanger residents.
- Noise from jet-turbine generator and odor from the ammonia will be public nuisances.
- Once built, the power plant will FOREVER CHANGE the land use in Ladera Ranch, making it much harder to fight heavy industry (including expansion of any proposed industrial uses "related to" to the power plant) in the future.

→ **THE ELECTRICITY IS NOT JUST FOR LADERA RANCH.**

- We don't dispute that additional sources of power are needed; however, this power plant will not provide power specifically (or exclusively) for Ladera Ranch or even South Orange County.
- It will benefit all SDG&E customers, and could provide power to a multi-state power grid.

→ **THERE ARE OTHER PLACES TO BUILD THIS PLANT.**

- An Environmental Impact Report for the project (which has not yet been done) would force SDG&E/Wellhead/County to disclose and carefully consider alternative locations.
- We want this plant to be built at a site away from homes, schools, parks, families.

→ **THE COUNTY REVIEW MISSED SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTIONS.**

- What impact on air quality will the project's emissions really have? So far, the analysis by the County and the AQMD has been rushed and very limited.
- Why wasn't a full Environmental Impact Report required?
- How can this facility get approved so quickly and with such limited information and analysis, when a power plant 4 MW bigger would get a much more thorough review by the California Energy Commission? Did the County use "best practices" for power plant siting?
- What will this plant do to our property values?
- What safety precautions/notification procedures are planned to protect our families from the hazardous

release of toxic aqueous ammonia (esp. because homes & schools are so close)?

- How loud will the natural gas-fired aircraft engine powering this plant be?
- The Ladera Specific Plan, which was adopted by the County, does not allow heavy industry – until now. How will bringing "heavy industry" to Ladera Ranch change our community? Will it bring more industrial facilities? Will it bring more power plants? What about the "Ladera dream"?
- Will we be fighting an expansion of this existing plant down the road (like the residents of Chula Vista in San Diego County who are fighting SDG&E to stop the expansion of their 44 MW plant to a 100 MW facility)?

→ **LADERA HOPE FILED A LAWSUIT BECAUSE THERE WERE SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITH THE COUNTY'S APPROVAL PROCESS.**

For example,

- The County did not ask the important questions which should have been asked when siting a power plant (see above)
- The project map in the County's Notice was wrong; it showed the facility going in near Irvine Spectrum/Aliso Viejo area.
- The County's Notice was posted in 3 libraries, but NOT the Ladera Ranch Public Library.
- Government officials and even SDG&E/Wellhead have admitted that public outreach failed.
- Residents and homeowners were not provided with notice. They were not provided with facts.
- State law and public policy support the public's right to know and right to be involved.

→ **DID YOU KNOW THAT LADERA RANCH CAN STILL DO SOMETHING TO REMEDY THE COUNTY'S (AND SDG&E/WELLHEAD'S) MISTAKES AND RELOCATE THIS POWER PLANT?**

- Ladera HOPE has hired aggressive attorneys and filed a lawsuit to protect the interests of area residents: We want the proposed construction of the power plant to be stopped and we want the County to do a full Environmental Impact Report.
- The AQMD has not yet issued its permit (which is required prior to construction) and has agreed to consider issues and concerns raised by Ladera Ranch.
- Ladera HOPE is hiring air quality experts so that we can properly challenge the AQMD's preliminary decision to approve the permit by raising substantive, compelling issues.
- LARMAC says they can't get involved in the power plant issue.
- No city gov't exists to look out for us and fund this fight – that's why Ladera HOPE was formed!
- We need to come together as a community to wage this battle (pooling our talents and our money) – there's too much at stake for Ladera, for our families and for our future!