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Comments:

Gentlemen:

I can't believe that our state could not do a better job dealing with the air quality problem than planning compliance for Big Bend National Park area the middle of next century. While it certainly will take time to clean up present polluters, we should not continue to grant exceptions to grandfathered emitters and consider permitting un-controlled additional sources. Fortunately, public opinion and some far sighted public servants stopped the recently proposed coal fired plants, at least temporarily.

The action of the Commission needs to be better explained to the people of Texas. I understand there are several important reasons why this was delayed but not all of them can't be expedited.

In addition to the health concerns of the areas of Dallas, Houston, San Antonio and El Paso, I and others are concerned with the effects of air pollution on the investments in McDonald Observatory that will be seriously impacted by continued inaction.

Thank you,

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