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**COMMENTS:** I live at 2419 Barbers Hill Rd which is within 1 mile of the location of the proposed change to the proposed discharge route. My home has flooded 4 times since 2009 when the current grass farm clear cut the timber and converted to a grass farm which discharged rain run-off unaffectedly into the ditches currently maintained by Harris County Flood Control and the San Jacinto River Authority. The grass farm sold a section to Remy Jade Generating LLC which in turn began building its electric generating system plant. Harris County Flood Control and the San Jacinto River Authority have been in talks for the last 3 years to figure out WHO is responsible and HOW to upgrade the ditch system currently there, to allow run-off to flow correctly so as to reach the San Jacinty River. Currently NO work has started to

alleviate the flooding issues found on Barbers Hill Rd between Danek and Sralla Roads due to the ditches and culverts not being correct. I fear that by allowing this new generating plant to discharge waste water into an already flawed and overloaded system of ditches will only exacerbate the flooding problem experienced by those of us living in the area. I pray that the Executive Director and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality will consider strongly the ramifications that would be experienced by the local residents if this permit is granted, and will STOP the permit and discharge of waste water at least until the county and river authority decide on a plan and execute it!

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**COMMENTS:** Good afternoon. I live in the proposed outflow 9N THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT)amendment area and have had our house flooded 9 times since 1975, 5 of which were in the last 15 years. The concept that the design and approved plans failed to identify the northbound outflow as not possible is absurd. So simply sending the outflow of 161,280 gallons per day into southbound ditches that flood homes in the neighborhood is grossly negligent. The engineering firm that prepared the amendment documents for public examination at the Sterling Library in Highlands was totally unaware of the frequent flooding, leading me to believe there was at least an error of omission if not of commission. The solution is to evaporate the waste water away and cart of the residue to a properly permitted location,

or just truck off the outflow altogether. this is not complicated, the design was flawed and I find it unconscionable that the engineered solution is to send the outflow to a residential subdivision which has a history of flooding. This is not just a TDPEs problem, it is a quality of life problem for the local residents as well as a liability problem for the plant architects, engineers, contractors, owners and likely several more. I am VERY uncomfortable with the "solutions" which have been suggested to me by Wattbridge. I am certainly not an expert in this field, and perhaps a subject matter expert with exhaustive knowledge of flooding, storm water conveyance, powerplant design and probably several other fields should be consulted by the owners and builders. The simple solution in the major amendment proposal is blatantly negligent to the safety of life and property of the residents in the path of the proposed plan. I was appalled that the permit process requires that the average per capita income of the homeowners and the racial and ethnic makeup of the neighborhood was considered as part of the permitting process, but nothing to do with the history of floods where the plan is to dump the outflow. I urge the commission to reject this plan and to compel the owners and builders of the plant to do the right thing the right way.

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**COMMENTS:** ALL OF THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO THE MAJOR AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY TetraTech TO THE ORIGINAL PERMIT TCEQ WQ0005333000. My name is Steven van Heeckeren. Linda van Heeckeren is my wife. We own and reside in the house located at 2407 Barbers Hill Road. My email is [svanheeckeren@yahoo.com](mailto:svanheeckeren@yahoo.com), and my cell number is 281-415-8134. Linda occupied the house in 1979, and since that time there have been 9 rising water floods enter the house. We object to any entity adding water to the Barbers Hill ditch, which is precisely what the Remy Jade LLC plan is. I have been to the library, got the information needed and eventually spoke with John A. Christiansen, PE who is the Program Manager, Water and Wastewater of Tetra Tech, Inc. Tetra Tech wrote the document for the proposed major

amendment application for Remy Jade Generating, L.L.C. When I spoke with Mr. Christiansen I revealed to him our flooding history and the fact that dozens of homes flood in the Highland Ridge subdivision, Highland Estates Subdivision and other homes East of the San Jacinto River Authority canal which crosses under Barbers Hill Rd. Interestingly enough there is confusion as to who is responsible for the ditch on the South side of Barbers Hill. I have heard verbally from authorities that should be in the know that it is in Harris County PCT2, Harris County Flood Control District and San Jacinto River Authority. If anyone had bothered to check on the flood history along Barbers Hill road with Stephen Summersill at the maintenance camp for Harris County PCT2 he would have given testimony of the flooding issues, as he has a history of 21 years at this maintenance facility he has first hand knowledge. It should be embarrassing to Remy Jade Generating that their plant designer and engineers did not have a workable plan for disposing of their "Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES)" at all. Simply sending the effluent down south as described is unacceptable simply from the flooding history of these properties. Then we can get into the "innocuous" discharge. The plan is to pump water from a well on the property which is 300' deep into what I was told by Remy Jade representative Cliff Oliver into a million gallon tank, then the water would be processed by an RO (reverse osmosis) system and then through an EDI (Electrodeionization) system to make the water suitable for their process in firing the gas turbines. The R/O reject and EDI reject would then be sent to Barbers Hill Road. WE DO NOT WANT THEIR REJECT. The "reject" needs to be evaporated and rendered harmless and then needs to be disposed of in a responsible, safe, and environmentally sound manner. Sending what they do not want to keep or use by sending it downstream is not responsible by any stretch of the imagination. We are told the "reject" would amount 112.12 Gallons Per Minute outflow when the "Peaking Plant" is operating which contend contended to be approximately 10-15 % of the hours every year. As we know the grid needs help, and as more and more people move to Texas more electricity will be needed. I have personally worked for contractors that performed service in these peaking plants. Yes, they were on standby often. Now these 15 years later they are running 24 hours a day, every day of the year (except for maintenance shutdowns). This new peaking plant currently has 6 turbines, two more under construction and I would not be at all surprised if more are coming. In my mind the issues are: 1) discharge into ditches that are already grossly under capacity and have caused millions of dollars in damages as well as interrupting the lives of people. (you don't know how it feels until YOU live through it) 2)the understatement of run time is deliberately deceptive by estimating only todays outflow and not the very near future as the population grows. LOOK AT ALL THE HOMES BEING BUILT ALL AROUND US! ACCORDING TO HARRIS COUNTY PCT 3 COMMISSIONERS OVER 18,000 HOMES IN THE NEXT 15 YEARS. 3)the outflow containing various "innocuous" elements which the TCEQ has so aptly named Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES). These do not belong in our ditches. These need to be further concentrated, if not completely evaporated and then shipped off to appropriate end users to make into useful product. Maybe Remy Jade should just install a lift station and send it where the original plan was environmentally responsible. The major amendment application states: "Thus, the wastewater would not reach the receiving stream, Cedar Bayou, as described in the permit. THE GROSS ERROR IN THE DESIGN OF THE PLAN IS NOT TO BE THE PROBLEM OF THE CITIZENS.

**Renee Lyle**

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**COMMENTS:** My family lives at 10118 Braemar St, Highlands, TX 77562, less than 2,000 feet from this power plant. We have lived at this property for almost 10 years and in that time we have flooded 3 times in 2015, 2017 & 2019. It is my understanding that this section of our neighborhood has a history of flooding (approx 8-10 times) before we purchased our home. It is also my understanding that when the grass farm that sold Remy Jade this property cleared the land that is now their grass farm that it caused this neighborhood (Highland Ridge) to flood. First, let me state, we were unaware that a power plant was being built so close to our home. If we had been aware we would have expressed concerns at that time. So now not only we will be subjected to the pollutants disbursed into the air, we have to worry about our

ground and ground water becoming contaminated. What toxic metals and other pollutants are going to contaminate our ground and water sources? With this new application to amend the Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit to change the discharge route, we have huge concerns about what will be flowing in the ditches near our homes; the volume of flow; and the contamination potential. Despite the presumption that water from ditches in this area flows east towards Goose Creek it doesn't, the water flows west. We are downhill of this power plant and water does not flow uphill away from us. As it stands now, when it simply rains we have standing water in the ditches along Barbers Hill Road and partially up Braemar St towards our home. Adding additional volume to the inadequate ditches and culverts near our homes will most certainly increase our chances of flooding in the future. IT IS UNACCEPTABLE THAT RESIDENTS OF THIS NEIGHBORHOOD MAY BE SUBJECTED TO CONTAMINATION AND MORE FREQUENT FLOODING IN OUR HOMES DUE TO POOR WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT BY THIS APPLICANT. Prior to building this plant, the applicant should have completed it's due diligence and determined an adequate solution for waste water management before they even purchased the land/starting building this plant. Does the applicant, county or TCEQ even realize that water flow in the ditches along Barbers Hill Road end at Sralla Road, at that point the water has to make a hard left to flow south and continue west into the ditches along the Highlands Reservoir/Barbers Hill Road? Yes, the San Jacinto River Authority, Harris County Flood Control and possibly Precinct 2 are awaiting approval from the Army Corp of Engineers to start working on the south side of Barbers Hill Road to move the berm back and create a larger detention area to try and improve drainage in the area. BUT it has already been stated that we will still flood in the right circumstances. So even if this permit is denied at this time any future application should also be denied so as to avoid contamination to the ground and homes of the residents of this neighborhood. It is unconscionable that the State of Texas would even consider allowing our homes, our lives be subject to possible exposure to any contaminants from this power plant. What about the future value of our property? Our financial future is reliant on our property. If this permit is granted then the State of Texas and Remy Jade need to be held responsible to potentially decontaminate our homes, ground and ground water and insure our financial futures.



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**COMMENTS:** I purchased my home at 2607 Barbers Hill Rd. in July 2023 I have learned of flooding that happens here. We didn't have lots of rain but the ditches still have water sitting in them. I am less than a mile from this company's location. I'm very concerned about this new plant discharging waste water in this area due to the flooding issues that have happened here before me, and the water I see standing from very little rain. I am disabled and future flooding is not something I want to deal with, or the cost of extra insurance and damage from flood issues. If I had known this 3 months ago, I don't think I would have purchased this home so close to the site of this facility. I hope the powers that be think about all the people in the area that already worry about flooding from natural occurrences, and don't need

more issues from any type of generating plant. Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion. Please add my household to the mailing list as we did not receive a notice because of our short time owning this home.

**Vincent Redondo**

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**COMMENTS:** My husband and I are both cancer survivors. As such our immune systems are compromised. We are commenting to ask that the permit for Remy Jade Generating Power Plant at 3511 Danek Rd which allows for waste waters from the plant to flow through our ditches be denied. We are concerned about the chemicals that will be dumped into our environment especially during floods. We live in the Highlands Ridge subdivision which floods often. As such the flood waters will send these chemicals directly into our home. Please divert the wastewater from the plant in a way so as not to flow through our subdivision.