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Please see attached from Sen. Kolkhorst & Rep. Gerdes.

Best, Clay

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Subject: Letter Requesting Public Hearing from Senator Kolkhorst and Representative Gerdes

Good afternoon,

Attached is a joint letter from Senator Kolkhorst and Representative Gerdes requesting a public meeting in Lee County.

Thanks,

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September 26, 2024

Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Dear Chairman Niermann, Commissioner Janecka and Commissioner Gonzales,

On behalf of the citizens we represent, we are writing about SL Energy Power Plant I LLC's application for air permit for a natural gas power plant and hereby request that the TCEQ hold a public meeting in or near the impacted communities to collect public comment on the proposed permit. The meeting should discuss the impacts of the following permits under consideration by TCEQ: Permit 177380, Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Permit PSDTX1650, Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Permit GHGPSDTX244.

The proposed permit would allow Sandow Lakes Energy to construct a 1,200 megawatt natural gas power plant in Lee County. Several constituents have communicated their concerns about this proposed power plant, and it is our belief that the TCEQ should allow them to voice their grievances in a public setting and determine the short- and long-term impacts to Lee County.

We feel that a public meeting in or near the impacted area would be the best way for the Commission to obtain all necessary information before moving forward on this project, and we request that the Commission begin the preparations for the meeting as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Senator Lois W. Kolkhorst Texas Senate District 18

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Representative Stan Gerdes Texas House District 17

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