**Arecibo Waste-to-Energy and Resource Recovery Project**

Energy Answers Arecibo, LLC's (Energy Answers) proposes to construct and operate a new WTE and resource recovery project at the site of the former Global Fibers Paper Mill in Arecibo, in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (hereinafter referred to as the Arecibo WTE Project or Project).

RUS, an agency within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), has issued a Draft EIS for Energy Answers proposed Waste to Energy Project in Arecibo, Puerto Rico. RUS issued the Draft EIS to inform interested parties and the general public about the proposed Project and to invite the public to comment on the scope, proposed action, and other issues addressed in the Draft EIS. The Draft EIS addresses the construction, operation, and maintenance of Energy Answers' proposed project.

**Comments:**

To Whom May Concern:

It's my interest to let you know that I am not in favor of it - more in to "California Clean Air Act" which I use to live there & went to college (Cal-poly pomona) Recycle is more healthy way to protect our "soil & Agriculture" which been doing for more than 40yrs. I don't support politicians & people looking for to take advantage - money wise & other interest.

If this is really good to some, I want to see statistic study about this burning waste - compost is better & classify of waste.

If this really good why don't you put it in your back-yard - and let them in through your Kitchen door.

I don't support this interest of companys or corporated of you - USDA - be supporting the community & residences from land; "not bureaucracy"

Name Tony Mojica Address P. Box 795 Arecibo P.Rico 00613 Affiliation None "my own" Common Sense!

USDA United States Department of Agriculture

Arecibo, PR

August 20, 2015

Welcome to the public hearing for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Arecibo Waste-to-Energy and Resource Recovery Project (Project). Today's hearing will focus on the possible financing assistance to Energy Answers for the construction of the waste- to-energy facility in the Arecibo area. The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) is the lead agency for the Project and is required to complete an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to assess potential impacts to the natural and human environment. This meeting is an opportunity to receive comments on the Draft EIS.

Please use this form to submit your written comments to RUS. Comments may be submitted today, mailed to the address below, or sent by email to Lauren.McGee@wdc.usda.gov. The deadline for comments is September 28, 2015. Updates on the Project, including the Draft Environmental Impact Statement are available at http://www.rd.usda.gov/publications/environmental-studies/impact-statements/arecibo-waste-energy-generation-and-resource.

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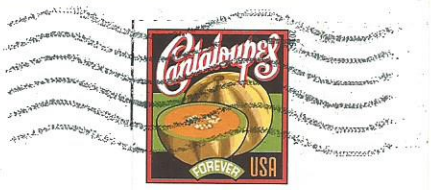


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4 de septiembre de 2015

Mi nombre Eugenio Miranda. Resido en Arecibo y deseo que se pueda comenzar con la continuación de la planta de recogido de desperdicios y así ayuda con el gran problema de la basura en Arecibo y pueblos vecinos. Además ayuda a cientos de empleos, patentas municipales y vertederos obsoletos.

Gracias,

Eugenio Miranda

Eugenio Miranda
Bo. Domingo Ruiz #53
Arecibo, Puerto Rico 00612

30 de agosto de 2015

**Energy Answer Arecibo**
**Lauren MS. Gee Rayburn**
**Enveromental Scientist**
**Rural Letelche Suit 1E**
**Ashville North Carolina, 28801**

A quien pueda interesar,

1. Que soy residente del barrio Domingo Ruiz de Arecibo

2. Que desde hace quince años soy comerciante, primero en asuntos funerarios y hoy día con negocio de cafetería en el barrio antes mencionado.

3. Que conozco a mi comunidad y las adyacentes debido a que soy líder social de la comunidad y cuento con muchos conocidos a nivel de la ciudad de Arecibo y del país.

4. Que ha mi negocio llegan a diario una gran cantidad de clientes a comprar artículos y muchos se quedan para dialogar sobre diferentes temas del país, sea político, religioso ó social.

5. Que la mayoría de estos conversan sobre la noticia del día aunque en Arecibo siempre se toca el tema del recogido de escombros y basura.

6. Que por varias ocasiones hemos sido afectado con la contaminación del humo que causa la quema de basura voluntaria o accidental en el vertedero municipal de Arecibo.

7. Que se ha discutido sobre la instalación de la industria mencionada la cual se encargará de los desperdicios sólidos en el área norte de Puerto Rico.

8. Que he escuchado en mi negocio luego de muchas conversaciones el consenso entre los vecinos en relación a la aprobación del uso de la Industria llamada **Energy Answer** para aliviar ó resolver del todo la contaminación que nos deja el ya no servible vertedero.

9. Que por un 99% de las personas que visitan mi negocio mencionan el que están de acuerdo con dicha instalación y uso.

10. Que doy fe de lo antes expuesto y evidencio con mi testimonio y en representación de mi comunidad como líder social de la misma.

Hoy treinta de agosto de dos mil quince en la ciudad de Arecibo.

Estoy disponible para testificar lo antes expuesto ante cualquier comité que requiera mi presencia.

Sin más,

Mr. Ramón Sánchez Medina
Comerciante de Arecibo, PR

4 de septiembre de 2015

Energy Answers Arecibo

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Saludos soy el joven Bryan Santoni, tengo 21 años y estudio en el National University college Arecibeño de pura sepa y vecino más cercano de donde esta propuesto el proyecto Energy Answers Arecibo, esta planta de recuperación de materiales esta planta ayudara a nuestro pueblo y a los pueblos vecinos a disponer de la basura de una forma adecuada y controlada ya que tenemos serios problemas con relación al gran problema de desperdicios los vertederos son la fuente de contaminación real y existentes la otra face importante para mí es que esto ayudara a muchos jóvenes como yo y otros ciudadanos a conseguir un empleo digno. Es hora de actuar; muchas agencias federales, ambientales y otras la cual ya ustedes deben saber. Es momento de que esto se realicé por el bien de Puerto Rico ya al construir la primera y luego cuando personas de otros pueblos vean esta facilidad pedirán una para sus pueblos también, no asistí a las vistas que se realizaron con frecuencia ya que estas personas que se oponen aunque no son muchas pero les gusta la confrontación y la intimidación y soy persona de Ley y orden y ustedes se habrán dado cuenta de los que les expreso.

Bryan Santoni Miranda

Ramon Santos
Comerciante
Combate Queens

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31 de agosto de 2015

A quién Pueda Interesar:

Mi nombre es José Santiago

Deseo por este medio hacer constar
Que apoyo para Arecibo el proyecto
llamado Energy Answer porque se
resuelve el problema de la basura
que nos arropa toda la ciudad.
En muchas ocaciones tenemos que
abandonar nuestras casas ya se
enciende el vertedero acá en Cercadillo
y la peste a humo nos ahoga, como
consecuencia tenemos que ir a doctores
y hospitales, incurrimos en altos costos de medicamentos.

Gracias,

José Santiago

Tel. (787) 201-9838
Bo Cercadillo #10 Arecibo, PR 00612

Estado Libre Asociado de Puerto Rico
Gobierno Municipal Autónomo de Guaynabo

*Héctor O'Neill García*
Alcalde

August 20, 2015

**Stephanie Strenght**
**Enviromental Protection Specialist**
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Washington, DC 20250-1571

**Financing for Arecibo Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Facility Arecibo, Puerto Rico**

Dear Ms. Strength:

The Municipality of Guaynabo, (hereinafter, the Municipality), owner of the Guaynabo Municipal Solid Waste Landfill most respectfully wants to take this opportunity to express its deep concern for the lack of thoroughness which most regulatory agencies, both local and federal, have proceeded regarding the evaluation of the environmental, social and economic impact of a project of such magnitude as the one proposed by Energy Answers Arecibo, LLC. One of the needs is to review the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), analyze to ascertain the total absence of a rigorous and objective analysis, not only to the noticeable environmental and public health impact, but also to the economic prospect of the Municipalities that are "bound" to disregard and disrupt their own MSW established programs, in lieu of an imposed more onerous alternative.

It is pertinent to mention that in recent years our Municipality have been the recipients of the US Environmental Protection Agency's ("EPA") and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico's Environmental Quality Board ("EQB") requiring capital improvements to the Guaynabo Municipal Solid Waste Landfill well beyond those required by law, something that has not occurred with the

rigor and severity at any other adjacent landfill. These actions have entailed considerable resources expenditure in the design, construction and operation of environmental control systems, capital improvement that go well beyond those required by regulation and the implementation of a comprehensive curbside collection of recyclables programs, this later being an element contrary to Energy Answers' incinerator proposal which assumes a very low rate of recycling collection and disposition.

It is essential to reiterate that the economic impact that such a project will have in the region must be thoroughly examined. Energy Answers of Arecibo, LLC's proposed incinerator, will have a devastating economic impact in the Municipalities that will be ultimately forced to dispose their solid waste in their facilities to guarantee the incinerator's required gigantic waste consumption. This is mainly due to the fact that 2,100 tons per day facility will require a substantial waste supply to cover their normal operating costs, not to mention the substantial amount needed to cover the return on investment on well over 500 million dollars expenditure.

Consequently, such business model will rendered totally inconsequential and ineffective any serious recycling effort. The massive amount of waste received at the facility without presumably any effective pre-sorting system shall inevitably incinerate a vast amount of valuable recyclable resources such as paper, cardboard, wood and plastics, all of which contain a high caloric value. This is in direct opposition to the stated public policy of both US EPA and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico's EQB, which have declared their commitment in the promotion and expansion of collection of recyclables material programs, both at the state and the municipal level.

Another flawed assumption that the Energy Answers of Arecibo, LLC's proposed incinerator Environmental Impact Statement rested was in the sense that the population of the island was constantly growing. The objective fact is that Puerto Rico has experienced a considerable decrease in population. This decrease in population will be translated in a substantial increment in the Municipalities that will be forced to dispose their solid waste at the incinerator, thereby aggravating the economic outlook of an ever increasing amount of Municipalities.

In summary, this project is contrary to the stated public policy of both US EPA and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico's EQB in terms of their commitment to

expand recycling programs. The extreme economic effects in the Municipalities forced to dispose their solid waste at the incinerator has been overlooked and not properly considered. Also, the "softness" of the regulating agencies in their review and approval of Energy Answers of Arecibo, LLC's permits process has not created a "*leveled playing field*" with other waste disposal facilities including Landfills, Transfer Stations and Recyclable Material Processing Centers.

The Municipality of Guaynabo, in order to preserve the wide and explicit mandate for Municipal Autonomy vested upon our Municipalities by Public Law 81 of the 30th of August 1991, know as the Autonomous Municipalities Law, shall pursue all courses of action, including but no limited to a judicial challenge of the standing contractual relationship between Energy Answers of Arecibo, LLC's and the Puerto Rico Solid Waste Management Authority and/or any attempt to enforce upon us the same.

Respectfully,

Héctor O'Neill García
Mayor of Guaynabo

*Re: DIA Federal Energy Answers-Arecibo*

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*Estimada Sra. Rayburn*

*Por la presente quiero hacer constar que soy la residente más cercana el propuesto proyecto de construcción de la Planta de Recuperación de Recursos de Energy Answers en Arecibo. Como madre, abuela y maestra retirada, he seguiodo con sumo interés el proceso de permisos del proyecto y las innumerables vistas públicas celebradas en nuestra comunidad, incluyendo la más reciente vista por parte del RUS, celebrada el 20 de agosto de 2015.*

*Una vez más la Declaración de Impacto Ambiental presentada examinó los temas importantes que aseguran una descripción cuidadosa de los potenciales impactos ambientales del proyecto. Me complació que se incluyeran los temas que fueron traídos a la consideración del RUS en la sesión de "scoping celebrada el mes de enero del 2015.*

*Me considero una ciudadana responsable y ecologista y en esa capacidad favorezco el propuesto proyecto y les pido que aceleren la consideración de apoyo financiero de la firma proponente (Energy Answers), de forma tal que Arecibo pueda atender sus necesidades de infraestructura, se puedan generar empleos y se le brinde un impulso a la actividad económica de nuestro pueblo.*

*Quiero igualmente expresar que los arecibeños no nos sentimos representados por un grupo de opositores del proyecto. Personas extrañas a nuestra comunidad, que se expresan con el fin de dar la impresión de que Arecibo se opone a la Planta. Me gustaría que tuvieran claro que son miles los residentes de Arecibo que lo favorecen y así se*

han dejado ver en las Ferias de Empleo y en múltiples actividades sociales y cívicas. Siendo mi familia la más cercana al proyecto creo necesario dejar claro que apoyo en proyecto junto a mis hijos, no me siento amenazada y confío en el rol de evaluación que han realizado en este proyecto la EPA, la Junta de Calidad Ambiental, el Cuerpo de Ingenieros del Ejército, La Junta de Planificación de Puerto Rico, el US Fish and Wildlife Service, entre tantas otras agencias.

Por último, he creído prudente utilizar el medio escrito para dejar saber mi punto de vista ya que los opositores utilizan tácticas intimidatorias para evitar la presencia de los que favorecemos el proyecto.

A sus órdenes,

Aurea Miranda
Aurea Miranda
dirección
P.O. Box 2329
Arecibo, P.R.
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24 de agosto de 2015

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| **From:** | Kubena, Kellie - RD, Washington, DC |
| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC; McLean, Christopher - RD, Washington, DC |
| **Subject:** | Fwd: Puerto Rico and the loan for the Incinerator in Arecibo |
| **Date:** | Monday, September 14, 2015 8:42:02 AM |

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Early, Catherine - RD, Washington, DC" <Catherine.Early@wdc.usda.gov>
**Date:** September 14, 2015 at 8:37:21 AM EDT
**To:** "Kubena, Kellie - RD, Washington, DC" <Kellie.Kubena@wdc.usda.gov>
**Subject: FW: Puerto Rico and the loan for the Incinerator in Arecibo**

*Forwarding additional information. Thanks.*

**From:** Sara Santiago [mailto:sarasantiago450@gmail.com]
**Sent:** Friday, September 11, 2015 7:34 PM
**To:** Early, Catherine - RD, Washington, DC
**Subject:** Re: Puerto Rico and the loan for the Incinerator in Arecibo

Okay, thank you!! I will look carefully tomorrow to keep sending it, until they don't give the loan. They look like MOnsanto No way, not here!!!

Lara from Puerto Rirco

On 11 September 2015 at 14:00, Early, Catherine - RD, Washington, DC <Catherine.Early@wdc.usda.gov> wrote:
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**To:** Early, Catherine - RD, Washington, DC
**Subject:** Re: Puerto Rico and the loan for the Incinerator in Arecibo

September 11, 2015

To whom may interest;

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have for health, children and agriculture. Please take the time to read it. Evidence abounds. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely yours,

Lara Tejera

On 11 September 2015 at 12:49, Sara Santiago <sarasantiago450@gmail.com> wrote:
September 11, 2015

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From Puerto Rico,
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PS Thank you so much Catherine!!!

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**Cc:** "Ponti, Jacki - RD, Washington, DC" <jacki.ponti@wdc.usda.gov>, "Early, Catherine - RD, Washington, DC" <Catherine.Early@wdc.usda.gov>
**Subject: FW: Puerto Rico and the loan for the Incinerator in Arecibo**

Kellie,

Forwarding for action.

Michele

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**From:** Early, Catherine - RD, Washington, DC
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From Puerto Rico,
Lara Tejera

PS Thank you so much Catherine!!!

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| **From:** | Pedro Saade Llorens |
| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Cc:** | alugo |
| **Subject:** | Fwd: Public Scoping for RUS EIS Related to Energy Answers Arecibo Incineration |
| **Date:** | Wednesday, September 09, 2015 6:40:40 AM |
| **Attachments:** | Inicerator Letter.pdf |

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Ms.McGee:

Last Feb.10, 2015 Dr.Ariel Lugo in his personal capacity sent the attached letter to RUS as part of the Scoping NEPA process. However, the letter and its contents were excluded from the Scoping Report published by RUS in the Federal Register.It is requested that the letter be fully considered as part of the record and of the NEPA process in this case.

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From: **alugo** <hanael@prtc.net>
Date: Tuesday, February 10, 2015
Subject: Public Scoping for RUS EIS Related to Energy Answers Arecibo Incineration
To: stephanie.strength@wdc.usda.gov
Cc: Pedro Saade <saadellorensp@microjuris.com>

See enclosed.

Hard copy follows by mail.

**From:** Leonardo Ramos
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** USDA Energy Answers LLC Arecibo PR
**Date:** Tuesday, September 01, 2015 6:52:23 PM

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Dear USDA,

I must inform you that the EPA New Source PSD permit issued to Energy Answers LLC is the product of judicial corruption at the EPA. Kathie Stein without authority and purporting to speak on behalf of the Environmental Appeals Board or the Environmental Appeals Clerk without their consent refused to receive my pending motion against the handling of the case. Though I filed several motions, that last one motion was not ruled upon and remains pending.

The EPA PSD permit lacks proper consent of the Fish and Wildlife Service which violated its operating procedures by issuing consent in the absence of description of the cooling water intake and ash disposal. Those two related activities were not described at the time of permit solicitation.

Moreover the Wind dispersion model became obsolete because of the massive ground cover replacement from vegetative to concrete and asphalt that occurred on the North corridor upon the installation of the Super Aqueduct within the 20 years from the Energy Answers data collection. This fact was raised by Martha Quinones when she challenged the use of NOAA wind data from San Juan, Aguadilla and ST Thomas airports excluding from the record the Arecibo Airport NOAA data. Kathie Stein corruptively charged that the Arecibo NOAA data was not part of the NOAA collection and thus was unavailable to the EPA.

The EPA record clearly shows the series of absurdities Kathie Stein had to fabricate in order to keep the support of the other two judges of the Board. The sole reason for refusing to officially receive my still pending motion was simply because Kathie Stein lost support from the other two judges.

I hope this information helps the USDA protect US taxpayers money until Energy Answers secures a proper PSD permit.

Leonardo Ramos
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State Historic Preservation Office

September 16, 2015

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**SHPO 10-25-10-01 WASTE TO ENERGY GENERATION AND RESOURCE RECOVERY PROJECT, CAMBALACHE WARD, ARECIBO, PUERTO RICO**

Dear Ms. McGee:

We have reviewed the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared for the above referenced project. In our review, we concentrated on compliance with 54 U.S.C. 306108 (commonly known as Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act) and the potential effects that implementation of the undertaking may have on historic properties. The draft EIS defines the area of potential effects (APE, the geographic area or areas within which an undertaking may directly or indirectly affect historic properties) of this project as the waste to energy generation plant (78. 9 acres) and the transmission routes for water and electricity (3,100 and 850 linear meters, respectively). It is not clear from the document, though, whether any new access roads or work staging areas would be needed for this project and where they would be located. If any of these are to be placed outside the boundaries of the plant property or the linear right-of-way of the transmission lines, then the APE should be expanded to cover these other project areas, which may require additional identification efforts for historic properties.

As stated in the draft EIS, two archaeological reconnaissance surveys were carried out for this project in the defined APE, one for the plant location and a second for the transmission lines. These were reviewed by our Office in 2010. No historic properties were identified. Nevertheless, section 3.9.6 (Effects Analysis) of the draft EIS should be revised to reflect that if historic properties are discovered or unanticipated effects on historic properties found during implementation of this undertaking (not just the discovery of human remains) after Rural Development has completed the Section 106 process, this would trigger the post-review discovery procedures found in 36 CFR 800.13.

Cuartel de Ballajá (Tercer Piso),
Calle Norzagaray, Esquina Beneficencia, Viejo San Juan, P.R. 00901

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OECH

Please include the SHPO project number in any future correspondence. If you have any questions, please contact Miguel Bonini at (787) 721-3737 or mbonini@prshpo.pr.gov.

Sincerely,

Diana López Sotomayor

Diana López Sotomayor, Archaeologist
State Historic Preservation Officer

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September 20, 2015

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**RE: Federal EIS for Energy Answers-Arecibo**

Dear Mrs. Rayburn:

As a founding member of Arecibo Limpio, a grass root community base Environmental Organization from Arecibo I would like to express my strong support to the proposed construction of a Waste to Energy facility in Barrio Cambalache, Arecibo.

For more than 6 years we have been observers and active participant of the public review process of this project, in more than 20 opportunities. I personally evaluated the technology to be used and the array of studies in different moments, including the most recent Federal EIS prepared for RUS. Our questions and concerns have been properly addressed and answered to a complete satisfaction by the agencies with expertise.

As an environmentalist and as an active member of this community I'm satisfied with the analysis and conclusion of the EIS, which is not different to the conclusion of more than 30 local and federal agencies. The conclusion: This project do not pose a significant threat to the health or environment in Arecibo.

Based on the above we urge you to convert the draft EIS into a final EIS, and also approve the financial assistance the proponent is requesting from RUS.

*Please help Puerto Rico move in the right path to address the two most significant environmental problems we face, the solid waste disposition crisis and the lack of renewable power generation.*

*Cordially yours,*

*Onofre Almodovar*
*Arecibo Limpio*
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*Bajadero, Arecibo, Puerto Rico 00616*

22 de agosto de 2015

Lauren Mc Gee Rayburn
Environmental Scientist
Rural Utilities Service
United States Department of Agriculture

**RE: DIA Federal Energy Answer – Arecibo**

Hago referencia al borrador de Declaración de Impacto Ambiental de Energy Answer Arecibo que fuera discutido en vista pública el pasado 20 de agosto de este año.

Desde los inicios de gestiones de la compañía Energy Answers para construir una planta de conversión de basura a energía (waste to energy) en Arecibo, he estado en contacto cercano con la información ambiental que a esta compañía se le ha solicitado. De igual forma he estado presente en varias vistas públicas relacionadas con las gestiones de permisos gubernamentales y otros similares.

Soy residente de Arecibo y conozco a fondo el problema ambiental que constituye las operaciones actuales de manejo de desperdicios sólidos en Arecibo; la utilización de vertederos con fecha próxima e inminente para su cierre. Sin embargo, he sido testigo de cómo grupos ajenos a los mejores intereses de la Ciudad de Arecibo han intentado convertirse en la voz oficial de los residentes de este pueblo con argumentos falsos o incompletos para obstruir lo que a todas luces en una opción válida y segura para el bienestar de todos nosotros. Es hora de que Arecibo de un paso a favor de nuevas oportunidades y nuevos métodos para, no tanto manejar la basura, si no para generar energía de forma limpia y eficiente.

He leído y evaluado con detenimiento el borrador de Declaración de Impacto Ambiental y entiendo que el mismo cumple o excede con las políticas ambientales actuales de Estados Unidos, por lo que formalmente solicito se acepte el borrador de Declaración de Impacto Ambiental de Energy Answer – Arecibo como final con el propósito de obtener el financiamiento solicitado al Rural Utilities Services.

Sin nada más que añadir sobre el particular, atentamente,

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24 de agosto de 2015

Lauren Mc Gee Rayburn
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Estimada señora Rayburn

El pasado 20 de agosto de 2015 se celebró una vista pública sobre el borrador de Declaración de Impacto Ambiental (DIA) de la Compañía Energy Answers-Arecibo. Este borrador fue discutido según requerido por el Rural Utilities Services del Departamento de Agricultura de los Estados Unidos.

Como ciudadano responsable y preocupado por los efectos ambientales del sistema de generación de energía propuesto por la compañía Energy Answer, me he dado a la tarea de evaluar con detenimiento toda información de tipo ambiental relacionados con dicha actividad. Como resultado a lo anterior, he quedado satisfecho con los datos expresados en el borrador de Declaración de Impacto Ambiental previamente señalado, por lo que entiendo que debe concederse la aprobación para convertir dicho borrador en uno final.

Estoy convencido de que es hora de que Puerto Rico se mueva a nuevos métodos de manejo de desperdicios sólidos como los que Energy Answer propone para el pueblo de Arecibo. De igual manera piensa la mayoría de vecinos y personas que conozco, los cuales respaldan el implementar este tipo de tecnología.

Atentamente,

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1 de septiembre de 2015

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**Asunto:** **DIA Federal Energy Answers-Arecibo**

Estimada Sra. Rayburn

Por este medio hago constar que soy residente y comerciante de Arecibo. He estado al tanto del Proyecto de Conversión de Basura en Energía propuesto por la empresa Energy Answers para nuestro pueblo. El mismo, ha sido sometido a vistas públicas y debatido en diferentes foros, recibiendo el endoso mayoritario de los arecibeños y aprobado por las agencias federales y estatales. Esto significa que todos los aspectos positivos y negativos fueron discutidos y evaluados, además, adjudicados a favor de Energy Answers por las agencias competentes.

En vista que los temas relevantes han sido examinados nuevamente en la Declaración de Impacto Ambiental y traídos ante la consideración del RUS que aseguran una descripción cuidadosa de los impactos ambientales del Proyecto, como ciudadano responsable, endoso la construcción de la planta y la solicitud de financiamiento para este propósito. Además, acojo la determinación y experiencia de las agencias competentes en este tipo de proyectos y descarto los mitos, intimidación y desinformación de los opositores.

Como comerciante por más de 30 años de experiencia sirviendo al pueblo de Arecibo, entiendo que el Proyecto propuesto por Energy Answers en una inyección al desarrollo económico de nuestro pueblo que fortalecerá al comercio y generará más empleos. Por lo tanto, reiteramos nuestro respaldo al Proyecto y nuestra solicitud a la prontitud de apoyo financiero.

Agradeciendo su aportación favorable a esta iniciativa tan importante para el pueblo de Arecibo, quedo

Atentamente,

Segundo Martínez
Comerciante

Dear. Ms. Rayburn

It is addressed to you the Sf. Elmer Perez.

Professional consultant and instructor in security and occupational and health. I am a resident of the district of Arecibo. I have taken the liberty to comment on the process of approval of the Environmental Impact Statement plant resource recovery and power generation proposed. Energy Answers to Arecibo and was the subject of a public hearing on Thursday 20 August 2015. I want to communicate with you in order to express my fervent support for the project. As a professional working in the pharmaceutical industry for 30 years .I have much knowledge of regulations governing environmental laws .In this project all the views that have been made in the communities has been present and made many questions about control emissions and programs for preventive and corrective maintenance and all computers that control the emissions are very important. Because in our island a lot of garbage and landfills that are in service could be shut down for noncompliance with federal law is generated. This would create a health problem for the inhabitants of our island and would clandestine all landfill parties. This would also create our economy is affected by poor expression that tourists visiting our island I think as a citizen of Puerto Rico many existing technology for these projects to take the controls. Generating emissions that has been tested with good results .What happen for future generations if such projects as the Energy Answers will not be conducted. We can ignore this reality as viable alternatives and tested in different states and other countries .We leave our future generations a safe planet environmental problems that cause many diseases.

Elmer Perez

ATT: Elmer Perez

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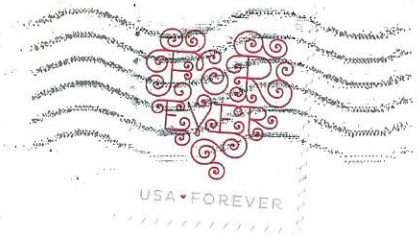


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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Monday, October 05, 2015 9:18:02 PM

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Dear Ms. Lauren McGee-Rayburn,

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In addition, Puerto Rico is currently suffering a severe and sustained drought and the required two million gallons of water needed daily to operate this facility would only further stress the island's water resources.

The Rural Utility Services Agency should not be in the business of financing these polluting facilities. Please reject Energy Answers' Environmental Impact Statement for a loan application for the proposed waste incinerator in Arecibo, Puerto Rico.

Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Saturday, October 03, 2015 3:45:29 PM

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Dear Ms. Lauren McGee-Rayburn,

Los incineradores de residuos son notoriamente contaminantes; a través de emisiones de aire y la producción de cenizas residuales los incineradores propagan mercurio, plomo, dioxinas, cadmio, gases ácidos, dióxido de carbono, partículas de materias y otras emisiones perjudiciales.

El área de Arecibo ya sufre de la contaminación de una planta de recuperación de plomo de baterías y la masiva incineradores solo aportaría a los problemas de salud de estas comunidades. Existen soluciones de basura cero para el manejo de residuos en Puerto Rico, pero la incineración no es una de ellas.

En adición, Puerto Rico está en el momento sufriendo de una sequía extrema y el requerimiento de dos millones de galones diarios de agua para el mantenimiento de la incineradora sería agregar estresores en el recurso agua de la isla.

El "Rural Utility Service Agency" no debe financiar estas facilidades contaminantes. Rechacen el "Environmental Impact Statement" para la solicitud del préstamo de la incineradora de "Energy Answers" en Arecibo, Puerto Rico.

Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Saturday, October 03, 2015 10:04:23 AM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Saturday, October 03, 2015 6:51:04 AM

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Dear Ms. Lauren McGee-Rayburn,

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Sincerely,

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Saturday, October 03, 2015 6:20:51 AM |

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Friday, October 02, 2015 9:24:58 AM

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Dear Ms. Lauren McGee-Rayburn,

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El "Rural Utility Service Agency" no debe financiar estas facilidades contaminantes. Rechacen el "Environmental Impact Statement" para la solicitud del préstamo de la incineradora de "Energy Answers" en Arecibo, Puerto Rico.

Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Friday, October 02, 2015 5:22:15 AM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** Kubena, Kellie - RD, Washington, DC
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Fwd: Arecibo Support
**Date:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 8:29:16 PM

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FYI

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "McLean, Christopher - RD, Washington, DC" <Christopher.McLean@wdc.usda.gov>
> **Date:** October 1, 2015 at 8:28:46 PM EDT
> **To:** Aivars Udris <jakeudris@gmail.com>
> **Cc:** "Kubena, Kellie - RD, Washington, DC" <Kellie.Kubena@wdc.usda.gov>, "Ponti, Jacki - RD, Washington, DC" <jacki.ponti@wdc.usda.gov>
> **Subject: Re: Arecibo Support**
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> I am cc'ing our environmental staff so they may be included in the record.
> Chris
> Sent from my iPhone
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> > On Oct 1, 2015, at 1:44 PM, Aivars Udris <jakeudris@gmail.com> wrote:
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> > Chris, the attached file represents letters of support regarding the
> >
> > Arecibo project that will be going to you and the Administrator.
> > Hope
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> > all is well.
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> > Best Regards,
> >
> > Jake
> >
> > <Elected Officials Letters.pdf>

**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 5:40:06 PM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 3:16:41 PM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 2:39:43 PM

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Sincerely,

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Thursday, October 01, 2015 2:22:53 PM |

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 12:58:10 PM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 12:46:47 PM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 12:41:11 PM

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 10:50:49 AM

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Thursday, October 01, 2015 8:43:58 AM

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| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Thursday, October 01, 2015 5:50:08 AM |

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Wednesday, September 30, 2015 7:24:53 PM |

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Wednesday, September 30, 2015 6:49:31 PM |

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Sincerely,

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**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Wednesday, September 30, 2015 4:27:40 PM

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Sincerely,

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**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
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| **Date:** | Wednesday, September 30, 2015 1:21:20 PM |

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
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| **Date:** | Wednesday, September 30, 2015 12:51:41 PM |

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Wednesday, September 30, 2015 2:00:57 AM |

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**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Tuesday, September 29, 2015 11:43:37 PM

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Monday, September 28, 2015 10:16:55 PM

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**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Monday, September 28, 2015 9:24:40 PM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** Eduardo.A Rodriguez
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Cc:** María de Lourdes Guzmán; Héctor M. Alejandro 2
**Subject:** PUERTO RICO WASTE TO ENERGY FACILITY
**Date:** Monday, September 28, 2015 8:12:33 PM

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September 28, 2015.

Ms.Lauren McGee Rayburn
Environmental Scientist
USDA/RD/Rural Utilities Service
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Asheville, North Carolina

My name is Eduardo A. Rodriguez Rosario, I am a retired mechanical engineer that worked at a local pharmaceutical facility in a town close to Arecibo. I work with Abbott/Abbvie pharmaceutical for the last 23 years as a project engineer. Base on my experience in pharmaceutical new projects / products I has been exposed to the approval documentation and procedures of USA regulators like the F.D.A.

Base on that exposure I can compare the procedure that you use during this hearing. The people that assist to the public hearing on August 20, 2015 at the Arecibo Country Club, has been disappointed by the way that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) handle this hearing. First, the presence of militarism in the room is an insult to the people that assist as normal citizen that accept the invitation to expose their opinions or arrive to hear the opinions / options of others. Second, the persons that assist from the USDA none of the presents know Spanish, so how the people that should evaluate the opinion, the concerns and the requirements of the locals can evaluate/understand those opinions. Third, the time that the USDA give to the people that assist to the hearing is ridiculous, explain, expose on 4 or 5 minutes complex information is not fair.

But let's go to the facts, we the people that assist the hearing understand that the information that expose the company, Energy Answer Arecibo, LLC's,(EAA) submit information related to the D.I.A. document that is wrong and is false in the important or critical issues like direction of the air flow from the proposed stack. The air will carry a lot of toxicity that will produce sickness to many persons downwind from the stack.

The population and the economy of Puerto Rico show a reduction during the last 10 or 15 years. The result of this fact is that less people / industries are using energy that means that we have an excess of energy capacity, that a new energy producer is not needed.

Also, Puerto Rico have an approximate deficit of $72,000 millions of dollars in debt to different banks or others bonus owners (**buitres).** Base on this fact not make sense take another loan to handle the island waste. Also, the local counties like Arecibo, Florida, Barceloneta, Hatillo and others cannot handle the cost of the waste that should pay to Energy Answer during the disposition of the waste at the new facility. The point is that EAA will charge some fee to accept the waste at the new facility and the counties will not have the money to handle that cost. In the city of Detroit in USA we saw that same problem that helps to produce the bankrupt of that city.

We only expect a fair and honest evaluation of the real condition and documents that has been exposed to the local and federal regulators. We expect from the governments the honest evaluation of the real conditions of the proposed site. If an honest evaluation is done the facts will explain that the documents submitted from EAA are wrong and have fraud information. Is the responsibility of the authorities (local & federals) the verification of the of the proposed information. That is our claim, that the information should be evaluate, investigate the data to assure that the information it's true to obtain true results, that all, thanks for attention,

Eduardo A. Rodriguez-Rosario
B.S.M.E.

**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Monday, September 28, 2015 7:27:18 PM

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Sincerely,

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| **From:** | Ruben Marin |
| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Written comments |
| **Date:** | Monday, September 28, 2015 7:21:48 PM |
| **Attachments:** | Ponencia sobre financiamiento de proyecto de inc II.odt |

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Dear Lauren McGeen :

I am sending my comments regarding to the draft of Environmental Impact Statement for the Arecibo
Waste to Energy and Resources Recovery Project.

Sincerely,

Ruben Marin

**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
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**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Monday, September 28, 2015 4:35:41 PM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** Carlos A. Mulero Ortiz
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** RE: Arecibo Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Facility in Arecibo, Puerto Rico - RUS Draft EIS, Comment Period Extension
**Date:** Monday, September 28, 2015 2:45:41 PM
**Attachments:** RUS Draft EIS Comments.pdf

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Dear Ms. McGee:

Attached our written comments to the Draft EIS of the Arecibo Waste-to Energy Project. Please contact us if you have any question or need additional information regarding our comments.

I appreciate the opportunity to submit these written comments to develop an objective document for your further evaluation and consideration in the funds request made by the proponent to develop this project.

Respectfully,

Carlos A. Mulero

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From: Lauren.McGee@wdc.usda.gov
Subject: Arecibo Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Facility in Arecibo, Puerto Rico - RUS Draft EIS, Comment Period Extension
Date: Mon, 14 Sep 2015 13:22:20 +0000
To:

Good Morning,

The Rural Utilities Service (RUS), an agency within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), issued a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Energy Answers Arecibo LLC's (Energy Answers) proposed Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Project (Project) in the Cambalache Ward of Arecibo, Puerto Rico in August 2015. A copy of the document can be downloaded from the agency's website at: http://www.rd.usda.gov/publications/environmental-studies/impact-statements/arecibo-waste-energy-generation-and-resource. Based on public requests, RUS has extended the written comment period deadline by an additional 45 days to November 12, 2015. A notice will appear in the Federal Register this week.

Thanks,

Lauren McGee Rayburn
Environmental Scientist | Rural Utilities Service (RUS)

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
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| **Date:** | Monday, September 28, 2015 1:58:35 PM |

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Monday, September 28, 2015 9:09:28 AM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Monday, September 28, 2015 9:03:56 AM

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| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Sunday, September 27, 2015 9:30:50 PM |

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Sincerely,

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Sunday, September 27, 2015 9:27:22 PM |

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
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Sincerely,

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**From:** Sergio Colon Medina
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** No a Energy Answer Arecibo
**Date:** Sunday, September 27, 2015 8:12:36 PM

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Es preocupante que la agencia de Agricultura a nivel federal se preste para financiar un proyecto que se promociona como si la quema de basura fuera positivo, para empezar, la materia ni se crea ni se destruye, se transforma.

Al quemar basura se produce muchos gases que causan el efecto invernadero contribuyendo al calentamiento global; se contaminaría el aire con PLOMO , algo que es ilegal, por que no hay niveles no tóxicos de plomo.

Energy Answers, estaría utilizando el agua de una reserva natural... El Caño Tiburones, lugar de refugio para muchas aves migratorias, y peces de agua salada que utilizan la desemboca dura para reproducción. Estaría interrumpiendo un ciclo del agua , la desembocadura del caño. Este proyecto va a dañar el ciclo de la vida silvestre, por que este lugar es de mucho valor ecológico.

Si Puerto Rico quisiera una incineradora , ya se hubiese realizado por que en nuestra isla hay muy buenos ingenieros. En cambio vienen una compañía foránea a instalar incineradora que cobraría por recoger basura y producir energía y dañar nuestra salud.

Siempre he admirado el trabajo de USDA, FSIS por que siempre protegen y fiscalizan la salud del consumidor; me decepcionaría mucho si el proyecto se realiza. Efectos adversos para la salud sería una carga mas al gobierno Estatal, Gobierno Federal y familias que no pueden pagar servicios médicos.

Tengo un hijo con autismo y este proyecto sería desbastador en esta área. Recuerden que el futuro son los niños.

Para finalizar los inversionistas que proponen este proyecto tienen mucho dinero. No necesitan el dinero de ustedes que se puede utilizar para proyectos que sean agrícolas o invertir en energía renovable no dañina a la salud.

Atentamente,
Sergio A. Colón Medina

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| **From:** | NEMRAC NAGAP |
| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Re: Letter |
| **Date:** | Sunday, September 27, 2015 7:25:30 PM |
| **Attachments:** | CARTA-RUS--NO AL INCINERADOR.docx |

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Hi Ms. Lauren McGee,

Enclosure letter against incineration project in Puerto Rico. Please confirm.

Sincerely,

Carmen J. Pagán

**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Sunday, September 27, 2015 3:55:42 PM

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Sincerely,

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**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
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Sincerely,

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos |
| **Date:** | Sunday, September 27, 2015 8:08:47 AM |

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Saturday, September 26, 2015 10:59:22 PM |

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Saturday, September 26, 2015 11:24:06 AM |

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Sincerely,

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Saturday, September 26, 2015 7:39:36 AM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Saturday, September 26, 2015 5:31:31 AM

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Sincerely,

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**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
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**Date:** Friday, September 25, 2015 10:17:27 PM

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Friday, September 25, 2015 8:13:20 PM

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Friday, September 25, 2015 8:06:28 PM

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Sincerely,

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Friday, September 25, 2015 7:51:56 PM

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Friday, September 25, 2015 7:46:04 PM

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**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Friday, September 25, 2015 7:36:14 PM

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Sincerely,

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**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
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**Subject:** Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application
**Date:** Friday, September 25, 2015 5:07:46 PM

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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
**Date:** Friday, September 25, 2015 4:56:22 PM

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| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
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**From:** KnowWho Auto Mailer
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Rechaza la quema tÃ³xica de residuos
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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| **Subject:** | Reject the Arecibo waste incinerator EIS for loan application |
| **Date:** | Friday, September 25, 2015 4:32:54 PM |

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| **From:** | Alexander Rony |
| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Arecibo Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Facility |
| **Date:** | Thursday, September 24, 2015 7:45:15 PM |
| **Attachments:** | arecibo-sc-english.pdf<br>arecibo-sc-spanish.pdf |

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Dear Ms. Rayburn,

Attached are two files of public comments in response to the request for financial assistance by Energy Answers Arecibo, LLC. The files are split into English language comments (4,293 total) and Spanish language (24). All are in opposition to the request for financial aid to build the proposed waste-to-energy incinerator. The exact text of those comments are contained in the attachments.

Would you please confirm receipt of these official public comments? Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Alexander

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**From:** EUNICE SANTANA MELECIO
**To:** McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC
**Subject:** Vista Arecibo, agosto 2015
**Date:** Thursday, September 24, 2015 12:31:17 PM
**Attachments:** Comentarios sobre Vistas Publicas de Rural Utilities Service.doc

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| **From:** | Leonardo Ramos |
| **To:** | McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC |
| **Subject:** | Re: Arecibo Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Facility in Arecibo, Puerto Rico - RUS Draft EIS, Comment Period Extension |
| **Date:** | Wednesday, September 23, 2015 10:20:19 PM |

More comments:

The EIS draft states that the sites in Guaynabo and Guayama sites were rejected because of higher transportation costs. This statement is one of convenience to the proponent. It does not trump the fact that those sites are not on wetlands. Thus it is evident that other feasible sites are available which are not wetlands. Therefore USDA is forbidden to assist the proposal.

The technology assessment does not evaluate Anaerobic Digestion in place of incineration. Thus it is evident that other technologies are available to alleviate the landfills congestion problem. Incineration provides no discernible advantage. Except in the non disclosed case of solving the affluent population's Automotive Shredding Refuse disposal problem.

Moreover it is not a requirement of the incinerator technology to be placed within a wetland. Thus the proposed technology itself does not justify building over a wetland. This is important because the regulation allows USDA assistance to construction over a wetland in cases where technology requires such action. This under the rationale that the technological benefits out weight the harm on wetlands. In fact the technological discourse in the EIS is totally irrelevant as it does not address its purpose of justifying the wetland intrusion.

The landfill congestion problem is not well defined. The proposal does not list the municipalities that will be served by the project. It has been said in local media that municipalities in the south and east sides of the Island will be contractually binded to supply its municipal waste to the incineration operation. This is important because the proponent put forward the transportation costs as excuse to reject the non wetland sites in Guayama and Guaynabo. If the scope of service includes all the municipalities in Puerto Rico for the 50 years duration of service, the proposed sites of Guayama and Guaynabo are as good as any. On the other hand if the scope of service within the 50 years only includes the municipalities in the northern and west sides of the Island, it must be disclosed as requirement to building over a wetland so that municipalities not served can rest assure that Anaerobic Digestion and recycling are viable options after commencement of incineration operations.

The Automotive Shredding Refuse disposal problem is not even disclosed. The municipalities that will supply the chlorine rich Automotive Shredding Refuse are not disclosed either. If not required as part of the problem solving process, it is required under the Environmental Justice Executive Order as comparative disclosure of affluent beneficiary populations and project scope.

The project does not expound the "solution" to the "energy problem". It does not explain how does Puerto Rico need 80 Megawatts of production capacity. It does not address recent migration patterns where families are abandoning their home for better lives stateside; thus lowering energy consumption rates. It does not address the perceived excess capacity in the current PREPA operation. It does not explain the possible lowering of energy rates; if any.

The proposal does not disclose the characterization of the municipal waste as to identify

biogenic versus non biogenic waste (plastic vs food). Particularly because the proponent seeks credit for biogenic CO2 emissions by assuming all the municipal waste is "renewable" non fossil material. The proponent seeks to be labeled as "renewable" energy when more than half the materials to be combusted are fossil fuel products chlorine rich plastics. This goes back to the limits of the proposed technology of incineration which by its nature cannot combust solely renewable waste streams. Thus Anaerobic Digestion is a superior technology capable of processing all renewable waste streams without the addition of fossil fuel derived plastics. Thus there is no technological advantage to the proposed technology. Much less an advantage that justifies construction over a wetland. It is important to disclose the characterization of the municipal waste stream so that the public can comment on the economic feasibility and hardships to be imposed upon the served municipalities. As to operational requirements of volume and quality of waste streams.

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From: **McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC** <Lauren.McGee@wdc.usda.gov>
Date: Mon, Sep 14, 2015 at 9:22 AM
Subject: Arecibo Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Facility in Arecibo, Puerto Rico - RUS Draft EIS, Comment Period Extension
To:

Good Morning,

The Rural Utilities Service (RUS), an agency within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), issued a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Energy Answers Arecibo LLC's (Energy Answers) proposed Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Project (Project) in the Cambalache Ward of Arecibo, Puerto Rico in August 2015. A copy of the document can be downloaded from the agency's website at: http://www.rd.usda.gov/publications/environmental-studies/impact-statements/arecibo-waste-energy-generation-and-resource. Based on public requests, RUS has extended the written comment period deadline by an additional 45 days to November 12, 2015. A notice will appear in the Federal Register this week.

Thanks,

Lauren McGee Rayburn

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| **Subject:** | Re: Arecibo Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Facility in Arecibo, Puerto Rico - RUS Draft EIS, Comment Period Extension |
| **Date:** | Wednesday, September 23, 2015 5:34:01 PM |
| **Attachments:** | acri00a.pdf |

Comments on the Draft EIS
http://www.rd.usda.gov/files/RUSAreciboDraftEIS_July2015_Eng.pdf

2.1.1 Site Selection /wetland
I find it appalling the assertion that there is no single site in the whole island that would host an incinerator without interfering with a wetland. I find it insufficient to assert a claim that 33 sites were considered and none away from a wetland. I am sure that there are hundreds of suitable sites away from wetlands and that there should be some also out of a flood plain. Please disclose the allege list of 33 potential sites.

Sites may be inconvenient to Energy Answers for political reasons, but the availability of suitable alternative in Salinas, or Cayey, or Coamo to name a few make assistance by the USDA illegal.

3.2.2.2

Surface Water

I must admit that the Vigia pump is indeed described for the first time in the EIS. I did not find such description within the USEPA PSD permit. I find the water intake description shallow. It states that the Vigia pump exhausts a minimum of 30 million gallons per day, every day, every year. It does not provide records of daily usage or computer modeling of service. It does not provide analysis of water quality or operations water quality requirements. My concern is that the Vigia pump has never been used as a daily intake system. That its purpose is flood control and not water intake. Re-purposing the Vigia pump for Energy Answers needs has to be investigated more thoroughly. There is not an analysis of the possibility of salt water intrusion into the endangered species habitat at Cano Tiburones due to fresh water extraction. Though diverting 2.6 from an alleged 30 million gallons effluent sounds proper, I find the allegation of minimum 30mgd effluent non substantiated. Cano Tiburones is an estuary. Its interaction with ocean waters is both above and below ground. If fresh water is unduly removed from the system salt water will intrude below ground.

The Fish and Wildlife Service assessment, much like the USEPA assessment cannot by relied upon as they are not soundly footed in law. Particularly because the water intake at El Vigia pump was never described during the USEPA PSD permit process. And the USEPA corruptly refused to include the Arecibo airport NOAA data in its air quality validation assessment.

3.3.1.8
Global Climate Change
The EIS fails to assert that the proposed incinerator will emit 1 megaton of CO2 per year and proposes no quantification nor mitigation contrary to CEQ2014 threshold of 25kilotons of CO2.

3.3.2.2
Inventory of Emissions
The EIS fails to include CO2 and dioxins emissions in the inventory.

Green House Gases
The EIS makes an illusion of arithmetic that purports to claim that the incinerator will actually sequester CO2 emissions rather than emit 1 megaton of CO2. This absurdity was rejected by the court when it declared null the USEPA moratory on biogenic CO2 emissions regulation. The planet does not care whether the CO2 were avoided at an imaginary location. CO2's are emitted at a rate of 1 megaton per year and it should be mitigated because the technology allows it and the policy dictates it.

Nevertheless the "credit" analysis fails to incorporate the displaced solar cells that will not be installed because federal funding at the tune of $700 million are diverted from solar cells 50% rebate subsidy to the incinerator. It does not identify the oil fired 700 kilotons avoided at an imaginary power plant. No oil fired power plant will shut down during the operation of the incinerator since Puerto Rico now has overcapacity due to the migration and economic stagnation. It also fails to incorporate the possible establishment of methane digestion technology which may control the other estimated 1.3 megatons of CO2 emissions.

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The ability of fabric filters to address ultra fine emissions is flawed. Please read the following paper for modeling of the fabric filters:
MATERIAL FLOWS AND INVESTMENT COSTS OF FLUE GAS CLEANING SYSTEMS OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE INCINERATORS (MSWI) Matthias Achternbosch

3.11.2.2 page 3-131

The rationale to moot the Environmental Justice is flawed as it falsely identifies the ROI as an homogeneous by limiting its coverage to the site's geographical location without the inclusion of the operation's full geographical impact.

I assert that a Waste Incineration operation impact not only the immediate vicinity of the plant but the far reached suppliers of waste. Any Environmental Justice assessment must include the fees to be charged to all affected populations and the environmental benefits, constraints and hardships that would be imposed on all populations.

The Energy Answers incinerator proposes to burn Automotive Shredding Refuse. Such plastics burning will benefit the populations that currently have to endure such hazardous plastics accumulate in their vicinity by removing mounts of shredded plastics to Puerto Rico once the incinerator becomes operational. The Energy Answers operation also requires the payment of fees by municipalities that would be contractually forced to forgo local reuse and recycling of municipal waste in order to feed the massive incinerator operation.

The Environmental Justice policy is in essence a policy against "not in my backyard discrimination". Thus the proponent will artfully trump the spirit of the policy by refusing to account for all affected populations. Therefore, the only way to comply with the Environmental Justice policy is to disclose and describe all affected populations. The Draft EIS fails to include in its analysis all the municipalities that will be benefited and constrained

in their environmental actions range; both in Puerto Rico and California. The EIS must disclose the contractual terms binding the environmental actions of the municipalities in Puerto Rico. The EIS must also disclose the sources of non municipal waste that it will incinerate; particularly the Automotive Shredding Refuse. Once the full Region of Impact is identifies a sound Environmental Justice assessment can be disclosed. This rationale is consistent with the employment assessment later in the EIS that include San Juan as a possible source of labor.

There is no environmental justice disclosure related to CO2 emissions.

3.11.2.2 Page 3- 132
Protection of Children

The proposed incinerator will burn Automotive Shredding Refuse, basically high calories plastics. Such burning of Chlorine rich plastics creates dioxins that are health hazards to children. No such disclosure is included in the EIS at page 3-132. Please review the attached study of a similar plant in Germany where it admits that 8% of the dioxins will be exhausted to the vicinity.

4.1.1 page 4-1
Air Quality

There is no disclosure in the EIS of CO2 emissions. There is no disclosure of Best of Available Containment Technology for CO2 emissions.

The Air Quality Modeling presented to the EPA is not valid and was never validated against current NOAA wind data at the Arecibo Airport. The data was gathered in 1993 and purported to be validated using Aguadilla, San Juan and St Thomas airports NOAA data excluding the Arecibo Airport data. The USEPA falsely asserted that the best available data indicated that wind current patterns do not change in the Caribbean. In order to validate such assertion the Arecibo Airport data was corruptedly excluded from the analysis. Furthermore the passage of time since the 1993 data allowed for the development of the superaqueduct and the massive urbanization of the northern corridor that has replaced the 1993 vegetative ground cover with massive pavement and cement ground cover that creates convection currents that differ from the 1993 air quality modeling data.

USEPA regulation mandates that whenever possible an environmental analysis must include available data that is closest to the site under scrutiny. Thus the exclusion of Arecibo Airport data was corrupted and against regulation.
The Northern Corridor is a series of municipalities around Arecibo that now hold two thirds of the Puerto Rico Population.
The Super Aqueduct is a 1994 massive aqueducts construction project that connects the Northern Corridor water Reservoirs to the San Juan Metroplex.

On Mon, Sep 14, 2015 at 9:22 AM, McGee Rayburn, Lauren - RD, Barnardsville, NC <Lauren.McGee@wdc.usda.gov> wrote:

> Good Morning,

The Rural Utilities Service (RUS), an agency within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), issued a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Energy Answers Arecibo LLC's (Energy Answers) proposed Waste to Energy Generation and Resource Recovery Project (Project) in the Cambalache Ward of Arecibo, Puerto Rico in August 2015. A copy of the document can be downloaded from the agency's website at: http://www.rd.usda.gov/publications/environmental-studies/impact-statements/arecibo-waste-energy-generation-and-resource. Based on public requests, RUS has extended the written comment period deadline by an additional 45 days to November 12, 2015. A notice will appear in the Federal Register this week.

Thanks,

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