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Citizen Opposition to Nuclear Reactors Growing

San Antonio City Council Should Halt CPS Spending on Nuclear Reactors and Get Independent Analyses of Nuclear Costs and Studies of Cleaner, Safer Alternatives

SAN ANTONIO, TX – Nuclear power is so unpopular in San Antonio, Texas, that funding for more nuclear reactors had to be pulled out of the proposed rate hike scheduled to be voted on by City Council on May 15th.

WHAT: Citizens urge City Council and CPS Energy to take the next steps to protect the health and economy of San Antonio, including passing a City Council resolution to halt CPS's nuclear spending and getting independent analyses of costs and alternatives first.

WHEN: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 - 1:30 PM

WHERE: In front of City Hall main door, S. Flores street side.

100 Military Plaza is the address for City Hall.

SPONSORS: Alamo Group of the Sierra Club, Citizens' Energy Coalition and the Sustainable Energy and Economic Development (SEED) Coalition

WHY: Citizens expressed such strong opposition to proposed electric rate hikes that included \$206 million for nuclear preliminary design and engineering for two new reactors at the Bay City STP site in Matagorda County that the nuclear provisions were removed from the rate hike package. Now CPS Energy wants to continue pursuing the nuclear reactors, without a vote by City Council or citizens, and without public cost estimates. Their would-be partner, NRG, went bankrupt in 2003, has had poor bondratings recently, is underestimating costs and has never built a nuclear plant before, a recipe for disaster.

VISUALS: Stacks of postcards to the mayor and City Council from concerned citizens. Additional information: www.nukefreetexas.org, http://texassierraclub.org/alamo