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Congressman Steve Pearce
570 N. Telshor Blvd.
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Dear Congressman Pearce,

On behalf of the City of Deming, I am writing to encourage your continued support for and assistance in the SunZia transmission project.

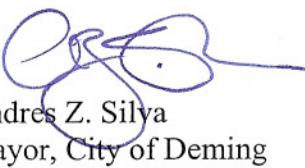
As you know, New Mexico is rich in natural resources with solar and wind energy being part of those resources. With many of our current transmission lines nearing or are already at capacity, it is imperative that we consider increasing our infrastructure to promote and market these resources. SunZia is one of those solutions to this problem.

It is my understanding that the New Mexico office of BLM is conducting an environmental review of the SunZia Project and should be publishing its findings of the review sometime in June. Additionally, NMSU is nearing completion of an economic impact study and will be releasing its findings here in the near future.

With your help and continued support, we can create sustainable jobs in our community that would have a very positive impact on our citizens. Also, we can take the lead in promoting "Green Energy" and fulfill many of the initiatives that we are desiring to achieve at the Federal and State level.

I thank you for your time and support.

Sincerely,



Andres Z. Silva
Mayor, City of Deming

Encl.: City Resolution