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Dear Ventura County Board of Supervisors:

This letter is on behalf of LULAC de Camarillo, #3284, a council of the League of Latin American Citizens, the oldest and largest Latino Civil rights organizations in the United States. We ask that all oil and gas operations occurring within Ventura County be held to modern safety, Health, and environmental standards. Currently, OIL & Gas is operating under antiquated conditional permits and this is unacceptable.

These antiquated permits were handed out decades ago, before our current understanding of the public health, safety and climate impacts of oil production. All new drilling and expanded extraction should require a new permit and full compliance with the current health, safety and environmental standards.

We are well aware of the vast evidence that shows the pollution to our environment impacts the health of the most marginalized communities, especially Black and Brown communities. Below, you will find a link to our research which delineates the health risks for our Latino population which are exposed to such contamination.

We urge the COUNTY of Ventura to prioritize the health of our communities and we urge that you require new permits for oil and gas operations in Ventura County.

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Sincerely,
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