

Letter-to-editor for The Lexington Leader:

To the editor:

In last week's Leader, Lee County Judge Frank Malinak stated that it would be "a win for everyone" if the proposed 1,200-megawatt natural gas plant in Blue "is clean and without most of the accused pollution effects" and provides new tax revenues.

"A win for everyone?"

Not for those of us in Blue.

Even if one of the biggest such plants in Texas will operate as cleanly as the company claims, it still will emit air pollution. Pollution concerns and the physical sprawl of a huge industrial facility will dramatically and permanently alter the rural nature of one of the fastest growing communities in Lee County.

And the property values of landowners in the Blue area would suffer. No one wants to live near a large power plant.

A true "win for everyone" would be for Sandow Lakes Energy to do far less damage to its neighbors by moving the plant's location to a more suitable and feasible site. That would be the site of the old Alcoa smelter and coal plants in what is now Sandow Lakes Ranch.

Move the Gas Plant will provide a more detailed response to the Judge's comments soon. See [www.movethegasplant.org](http://www.movethegasplant.org)

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