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Subject: Case Number 20-1405-EL-BGN - Resident Concern for Acciona/Union Solar Proposal

My name is Caroline Locke, my family and I live at 31657 OH-31, West Mansfield, OH 43358, we are directly affected by the Acciona/Union Solar project. I first learned of this project in March of 2021 and was shocked to see this proposal began in August of 2020. Why was the community not aware of this sooner? Especially the residents being impacted by this project?

I began researching and learning about this project and the company that is proposing the application to the Ohio Power Siting Board. I immediately noticed many red flags within the narrative and it furthered my research into the appendix of this project.

As the Ohio Power Siting Board is aware, I personally have sent concerns for setbacks from homes and roads. Please review the information I submitted in requesting a Glint and Glare Study be completed on State Rt 31 attached with crash/car accidents reports for the past three years within York & Washington Township, primarily on State Rt 31.

As a concerned impacted resident of this project, I am very concerned with the lack of initiative Acciona/Union Solar has taken over the last year to address those who are affected and impacted. This Project surrounds Byhalia in Washington Township along State Route 31 and it is clear that Acciona/Union Solar cherry picked who they felt were affected in certain aspects of their project instead of honestly coming forward to all residents in the area. ***We are all affected by any construction, Solar Panel arrays, the cost of this project concerning the community, & any damages potentially occurring during construction, and any damages occurring while the project is in service. Acciona has irresponsibly made their own rules without being held accountable.***

Myself and others have expressed concerns of the already existing flooding issues and lack of knowledge on Acciona/Union Solar's part of where all existing drainage tiles in the project area and surrounding the project. Concerns have been expressed in regards for the need of a post construction stormwater management plan, which has already been advised by the Ohio Power Siting Board to Acciona/Union Solar. This should be a requirement of Acciona/Union Solar prior to any approval of this project for the health and safety of the community and families. The importance of Acciona/Union Solar locating all wells within the project and surveying to find the wells that ODNR does not have a record of is a matter of health & safety. As noted by ODNR the project area is plentiful of groundwater resources, located 393 water wells, and is aware that not all wells are

documented within ODNR for this area.

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Below I have attached a few pictures of the project area from our recent flooding on 05/09/2021. These pictures are only a few, not *all* of the flooding along State Route 31.

Thank you,
Caroline Locke









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