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BEFORE  
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

In the Matter of the Application )  
of Alamo Solar I, LLC, for a )  
Certificate of Environmental ) Case No. 18-1578-EL-BGN  
Compatibility and Public Need )

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF JOSEPH DeLUCA ON BEHALF OF THE CONCERNED  
CITIZENS OF PREBLE COUNTY, LLC, ERIC AND KELLY ALTOM, MARY  
BULLEN, CAMDEN HOLDINGS, LLC, JOHN AND JOANNA CLIPPINGER, JOSEPH  
AND LINDA DELUCA, DONN KOLB AS THE TRUSTEE FOR THE DONN E. KOLB  
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KOLB, JAMES AND CARLA LAY, CLINT AND JILL SORRELL, JOHN AND LINDA  
WAMBO, JOHN FREDERICK WINTER, AND MICHAEL AND PATTI YOUNG**

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**Q.1. Please state your name and home address.**

A.1. Joseph DeLuca, 129 Amelia Drive, Eaton, OH 45320-9508.

**Q.2. What is your occupational background?**

A.2. I am retired since leaving my position with an architectural firm in 2016. Prior to my job  
with that firm, I served for more than seven years as the Superintendent of the Eaton  
public school district until retiring from that position in 2007. This school district  
covered most of the project area (the "Project Area") for which the Alamo Solar I facility  
(the "Project") is planned.

**Q.3. On whose behalf are you offering testimony in this case?**

A.3. I am offering testimony on behalf of the Concerned Citizens of Preble County, LLC  
("CCPC"), Eric and Kelly Altom, Mary Bullen, Camden Holdings, LLC, John and  
Joanna Clippinger, Joseph and Linda DeLuca, Donn Kolb as the trustee for the Donn E.  
Kolb Revocable Living Trust, Doris Jo Ann Kolb as the trustee for the Doris Jo Ann

Kolb Revocable Living Trust, Kenneth and Elaine Kolb, James and Carla Lay, Clint and Jill Sorrell, John and Linda Wambo, John Frederick Winter, and Michael and Patti Young.

**Q.4. Are you a member of the Concerned Citizens of Preble County, LLC?**

A.4. Yes.

**Q.5. Do you own any property near the Project Area?**

A.5. Yes. In 2006, my wife Linda DeLuca and I bought a parcel of 30 acres of what is mostly woodland in Gasper Township. Alamo Solar I has now proposed to construct its solar facility near our property to the north, south, east, and west.

**Q.6. For what purposes did you and your wife purchase this property?**

A.6. We had considered building a home on a 10-acre plot of this land and using it as our residence during retirement, as well as for recreation. We also applied for and obtained county zoning approval for two other homes to be built there on plots of 10 acres each as a retirement investment. When we purchased this land, we relied on the county's zoning law to protect the aesthetic value of our property.

**Q.7. Do you have any concerns about the expected impacts of the Project on your plans to use this property?**

A.7. Yes. The Project Area is adjacent to this property along its entire northern and western boundaries and along about two-thirds of its southern boundary. Also, the Project Area is very near my property on the east side. I am concerned that the visual impacts of the Project will impair the views from my property. In addition, major drainage swales enter into my property from the Project Area,

1 and I am concerned about the potential increases in storm water flow that could  
2 result from the Project.

3 **Q.8. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

4 A.8. Yes.

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