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This project will destroy property values. The project belongs in an industrial zone not a residential zone.

Jon Kraner 

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My name is Dr. Michael D Terveer and I reside at 5875 West Breese Road, Lima Allen County. I live in a beautiful 16 acre woods with a pond. I will be surrounded by the 10 foot fenced solar eyesore. I am 70 years old and will be retiring in the near future. My property was appraised in 2004 for \$510,000. There is absolutely no way I will be able to sell my property for that if this project is approved. In fact I may not be able to sell it at all! This has been a significant part of my retirement plan for decades. It has been disturbing to witness the behavior of Lightsource BP. We have just learned that they have been offering money to our farmers for over a year while deceiving the public about their plans. As expected, they have been less than truthful regarding the safety, environmental effects, employment of local contractors, acres involved, money to schools and government entities, restrictions of work to weekdays, wildlife diversity and movement, and property values. They have attempted to discretely and deceitfully get this project approved before the citizens of Shawnee township and Allen county could become aware of it. This commission should now become aware of the overwhelming resistance to this project. This attempt by Lightsource BP borders on criminal and common sense demands its failure. It is my strong opinion these projects should be restricted to brown areas and remote areas that cannot support agriculture, recreation, and residential development. The future will demand more of the above . This

project eliminates perhaps forever, the same. Please protect us!




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This project needs to slow down! Shame on Ohio PUCO for allowing it to advance at a rapid pace. This will have negative impacts on my community along with my personal home.

Kyle Kuhbander 

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This project should not be placed in a residential area. It will destroy the aesthetics and property values of the homes in this area.

Julian Kraner 

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I want to express my support for the Borch Solar project near Breese Rd in Lima, Oh Allen county. I live directly across the street as do my multiple family members in different houses on this corner. We all support this project.

Frank Caprilla 

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I am opposing the proposed plan to build a 2600 acre 'industrial solar farm'. This is being built in in the middle of residential areas amongst our agricultural grounds--grounds meant for agriculture, not industrial energy farms. This proposed plan will diminish our housing values, have unsightly views, increase water run off issues and flooding in the area, deplete the vast majority of wildlife in this area including the bald eagles that have recently returned to the area and so many other negative influences on our community. While I am not necessarily opposed to alternative energy sources, this is not the area to complete this large project. There has been little information given to the public thus far from Birch Solar. The informational meeting that was already held was not made known to the general public until after it was over. The next two meetings are to be held online, which will certain groups of people from attending. I strongly oppose this proposed plan and hope you take the information provided into consideration.

Ashlie Valenti-Shafer 

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I would like to file a complaint against the proposed Solar Project in Shawnee Township. A project this size is going to affect so many people both emotionally and financially, and the fact that this can happen right underneath our feet is extremely frustrating. There was no information provided until the ball was already rolling, how is that allowed with a project this size. As a township, to not be given the power to vote or have a say in this project coming to our lands is disappointing. We just held a township meeting last night where not one trustee or member of the public in attendance supports this project. Outside of the farm land owners, I think you would struggle to find someone who truly supports this project. My family and I have just recently built a house on 1.6+ acres of land, and we have beautiful farm and wood land around us. Also, the wildlife that we have grown to love seeing will no longer be able to roam the fields beside us. This will not be the case anymore when we are being bordered by huge solar farms., beside us and across the street. We are going to be forced to live directly beside one of these farms. The financial impact to our property is something that we are now extremely stressed about. Building a new home was part of our long-term plan in life. The fact that we now will struggle to ever sell our house, because there is going to be a huge solar field directly beside us, is very hard to deal with. We now must come to the realization that not only will we lose the country appeal that brought us to this property, but also now we will most likely lose thousands of dollars in the future due to this project. As a community we should be able to fight this, but we have no options. There is a place for solar energy in the world, just not right on top of so many home owners. We do not support this project and would like to have them reevaluate the location to not impact so many of us homeowners.

Kyle Carder 

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I am a homeowner right in the midst of where the Birch Solar "Farm" is attempting to TAKEOVER. 2,600 PLUS acres all right next to houses. Not in one google search can you find a single project similar to this. We are guinea pigs and being offered insulting "Buy outs" to keep our mouths shut. My home personally will be surrounded on 3 sides by 10 ft tall fences and solar panels as far as the eye can see. Some of my neighbors are even worse off where their properties will be surrounded 360 degrees with 1 small access to their homes. You can't tell me someone actually thinks that is safe? As a homeowner this is a lifetime of negative financial results for me, and ALL of Logan, Shawnee, and Duchouquet Townships. I'm 27 years old – What if I want to move? Who's going to buy this house right in the middle of a solar wasteland? I find it awfully ironic that during a pandemic, limited capacity town halls, and limited size groupings that this is moving forward. That is insulting to our intelligence, our rights, and downright disrespectful to all of us.

I'm all for going "Green" but to me it seems like going green is taking away a lot of the Green. This will wreck the environments of numerous different animals, birds, foliage, trees, and the list goes on.

They will be selling this energy to AEP and many of us out here don't even have AEP but will still have to stare out at the solar dump that doesn't benefit us AT ALL.

You can't tell me someone actually looked at this and thought "Eh, they won't mind!" MANY residents who will be impacted by this project didn't even receive notice from Lightsource BP. Most heard it from the local news or word of mouth. I see an obvious disregard for the environment, the people, and the constitution on several counts. This project needs to be overturned immediately.

Kacie Rison 

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This is absurd that we are even in this position! This project does not belong in a residential area! We have land designated for manufacturing for a reason This.

This will not only destroy property values, but the soil, water, and health dangers are being blatenly ignored. This will come back to haunt the board if such an irresponsible abuse of rights is approved

Sarah Thompson 

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I am one of many that is against this tyranny of government you have created to bypass citizens ability to fight something that will DESTROY their abodes that they have worked for decades to own. With a swipe of a pen to your pocketbooks you look away at your people. SHAME. ALL LOST IS ON YOU.

T Barnes 

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The Birch Solar Project in its most innocent form is suspect, and a gross misuse of our systems. And, those in our government involved in its rapid progression and ram rodding are equally guilty of this misuse. What it truly is, is a tyrannical power grab for a corporation's bottom line. To remove from authority the local officials ELECTED by its citizens completely defeats the purpose of government and removes our rights as local citizens to influence our own communities the way we see fit to.

This project will border ALL SIDES OF MY PROPERTY, 1.4 acres. This is not a large property and will not only change my total environment and decimate my property value, but there have been no proper studies completed to reveal whether the health and safety of those living in direct proximity to these panels will have their lives gravely affected. You are telling me, by approving this project, my family is to be forced into a science experiment. I will need to wait and see if my 9 week old daughter, 4 year old son, or my wife and I develop a tumor, cancer, tissue disintegration, or any number of possibilities that have not been denied or confirmed by large scale EMF exposure and the known toxins that come along with solar. How do you feel you have the right to put my family in that situation? Any industry or individual that would attempt to build a building or manipulate vast swaths of land would have countless studies REQUIRED before ever seeing the light of day. If Lightsource BP is so convinced of their made up facts and figures, build a solar farm in an industrial area, hire people to live in it and see what happens. You have no right to force this upon us when there are countless alternative locations for a project like this. Lightsource BP should not be allowed to infect an area it does not belong in.

Is electricity an agricultural product? The fact that this project is even being entertained as agriculture and thus allowed to negate all real impact studies, makes the government and the board look ignorant, foolish, tyrannical, and just plain careless. This project belongs in an industrial park not a residential area.

This is not a battle against solar, but fight against a breach into a community it has no place being in. If Lightsource BP wants these acres so badly, then at a minimum, they should be forced to buy all properties affected at an agreed price and rezone.

The largest asset an average American owns is his/her home. By allowing Lightsource BP to complete this project, you are telling the state of Ohio that a private company's profit is more important than the people that live on these proposed acres, that our hard work can be destroyed overnight by cheap legislative language and a few dollars under the table, into legislative pockets. Some people will never recover from this loss, and there is zero evidence to support the Lightsource BP claims of minimal property value impact. Is it safe to assume you have read the feasibility reports and placed that information against what they are actually saying? They are lying about the impact, lying about the revenue, and would lead a person to believe they would lie about anything to get this through.

You are being deceived and manipulated and you are thanking them for the privilege of being a part of it. Maybe you are aware of this deception and just do not care. Again, put this project where it belongs, non-residential industrial zones, and not forced upon the families who at the very least are your constituents, and if you are capable of being on a human level, hard-working Americans who want the best for their families NOT UNNECESSARY CORPORATIONS!

Chris Thompson 

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This project should not be located to a densely populated area. This is not an agricultural function, and this will adversely effect adjacent property owners. Any form of utility service production needs to be located in an

industrial zoned area, not a residential community.



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Horrible. This belongs in an industrial park, not around peoples homes. The effect on the property values will be devastating.



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