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20-1605-EL-BGN Birch Solar Project

Currently we live in Quincy Ohio where Clearview Solar has come in and wants to build a solar farm. We have always wanted more land in the country and that was the push we needed to sell and move because we did not want to be surrounded by solar panels. We just closed on 17 acres in Lima in October. That same week, friends in Lima started telling us about the Birch Solar Project. We have not received any communication from them, only the neighbors. Our biggest concern was our health and what long term consequences there would be to our children living next to a radiation field. If I had a billion dollars I could make a study say anything I wanted it to say too. When I walk out to my backyard, I want to see animals, nature, trees....not glass panels. I am not against solar power. I am against building in an area inhabited by people. None of us live in the country because we want to be surrounded by glass panels. Why not build next to the highways where there are no houses? The country is peaceful and quiet. Studies have been done that show the noise level to be at 30. I don't care how far away you are from the substation, that constant hum and noise is going to be irritating and intrusive. It is also not fair that the only way this company has to communicate with the residents is through virtual meetings. There are lots of older residents that don't know how to work a computer or people that do not have high speed internet. This is not fair to them. I don't care that the big companies who have money to throw around say there is no connection between the EMF and your health. Why do I have to put that risk on my children? Why do they have to pay the price if solar companies are WRONG????The Birch solar project wants to build in a heavily populated area. This is wrong and we plead with you to do the right thing. Please stop making decisions that affect and hurt other people from the comfort and safety of your office. Please stop pushing these solar farms through at the expense of the people, nature, and farm lands. Ohio is agriculturalfarm lands...its our way of life. Please stop destroying

Respectfully submitted,

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