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Enter your question or comment	<p>Re: Chipmunk Solar 21-0960-EL-BGN I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed solar panel project, Case No. 21-0960-EL-BGN, to be located near Williamsport, OH in Pickaway County. I live in the rural community of Williamsport, OH and my children attend Westfall Local Schools which is in close vicinity of the proposed Chipmunk Solar Farms. We do not want solar panel farms in this area. Solar panels are made up of toxic chemicals, cause noise pollution, are an eyesore to look at, and do not provide that much energy for the amount of farmland they are taking. The solar panels are made of poisoned chemicals from China that do not have standards of the United States. These chemicals will flow into the underground water and could potentially pollute neighbors' land. Furthermore, the earth moving equipment used takes off the inches of topsoil to level the ground for construction. These farms will never be the same in the 30 to 40 years as all the rich ingredients will be gone. The invertors which allow the solar panels to run cause a continuing humming noise when in operation. This humming sound is noise pollution to this area. Can you imagine how loud a 3600-acre solar panel farm could get? Then imagine living across from it or being at sporting events close to the vicinity. The solar panels will also be an eyesore to the rural community. The solar panels can reach a height of 18 feet tall obstructing views and forcing wildlife to other areas. The developers of the solar panel farm do not care about our community, they are simply looking for ways to make money. I have seen pictures of other solar panel farms that are in operation. They have are not well kept, they huge weeds surrounding the area. I have also heard testaments of landowners who have leased property and wish they haven't because of the destruction it is causing. The property value of all landowners will decline in the area. Does the Ohio Power Siting Board revisit these areas and see how the developers are taking care of this land? Solar panels are not very efficient energy which is why so many panels are needed. Our area will not see any of this power generated either as it will be shipped to the North East grid. Solar panels in this area would be better on top of huge warehouses where the farmland is not being damaged. My hope is that you recognize that these solar panel farms are new, and we do not know or understand the long-term damage that these solar panels will do to the land and to the small community, or the</p>

farming and agriculture community in Pickaway County.
Sincerely, Jaime Heath

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