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Ohio Power Siting Board
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Case 21-0868-EL-BGN
Case 21-1090-EL-BGN

Dear Ohio Power Siting Board:

Pickaway County has at least six potential solar companies developing industrial solar sites. Yellowbud Solar has been approved and is under construction. Other solar projects that I am aware of are nicknamed Atlanta, Chipmunk, Circleville, Oak and Scioto.

My brother and I own and operate farms in Ross and Pickaway counties. These solar projects have divided the residents of Pickaway County. A few people in favor of the solar development vs. a large number of residents opposed to the changes that these solar sites will bring. Home property values will collapse in the vicinity of these solar projects. We believe that many of those that have signed leases to the solar companies don't realize what will happen to them in the future.

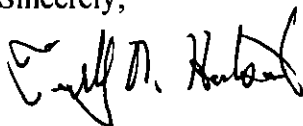
There are many reasons to have concern about the solar sites:

- Wildlife
- Water movement through the solar sites
- Movement of soil greatly changing the structure of the topsoil

The solar sites are not economic on their own. Without grants and tax credits, there would be no solar sites. The disruption to the agricultural commodity in Pickaway County will be problematic. Not only will farmers be affected, but the farm supply businesses will also be affected.

Please consider our concerns when you review the solar sites.

Sincerely,



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