July 25, 2022

Re: OPSB Case No. 21-1231-EL-BGN Fountain Point Solar Project

Dear Ohio Power Siting Board:

I am sending this letter to express my opposition to the Fountain Point Solar Project.

While solar power gives the illusion of being a more environmentally friendly form of energy production than fossil fuel sources, it is not completely free of hazards. Toxic chemicals, including hydrochloric acid and sulfuric acid, are used to clean the surface of semiconductors during PV cell production. The cells themselves contain materials that are harmful to people and the environment if improperly thrown away; these include gallium arsenide and cadmium telluride. Silicon dust produced by the PV cell manufacturing process is also harmful to people if inhaled. The health and safety of residents whose homes adjoin a leased solar field worry because their health and life is at stake.

There is little information on the long-term impact on health and development for those living within close proximity of this industrial project and their health could be at risk and I have seen no information on how this project would provide protection to my family and home.

This project does not meet the public interest, convenience, and necessity and should be denied.

Regards,

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