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Fountain Point Case 21-1231 OPSB Hearing 12/14/2022 Trent Hammer 2532 SR 292, WM, OH 43358 **Bokescreek Township**

Hello Board Members,

My name is Trent Hammer and I strongly oppose fountain point solar and I will tell you why. I was raised on a farm where I had a wonderful life growing up. Thus, when I started my own family 24 years ago, I purchased a home in the country where my wife and kids could enjoy life in a rural setting as I did. I wanted my kids and eventually their kids to enjoy the peace and beauty of Logan County. However, this dream is now in jeopardy with the potential of fountain point solar invading our back yard and numerous other families in Logan County. This project will turn a beautiful portion of Logan County into an eye sore and if approved I will sadly move out of the area and likely lose thousands of dollars in home value. How can a proposal opposed by so many and only benefitting a handful be approved by the Ohio Power Board. Ohio has approximately 170 sunny days out of 365. That equates to 47%, please ask yourself "Does that make any sense."

You see I also have an opportunity to lease my inherited farm ground in Allen County, Ohio where I grew up. The amount of lease money offered to me would equate to an early retirement and a very comfortable living. However, if I leased my ground, it would put 3 farmers out of work. These 3 farmers are my nephews, and their families would definitely be negatively impacted by the loss of income. So, I ask you "What would you do"? Could you live with yourself if you

profited at the expense of others, especially your own family? I could not! In the same vein, would you (The Ohio Power Board) approve this proposal causing heartache among many and support the greed of a few. I have to say: Let your conscience be your guide.

Thank you and God bless,

Trent Hammer