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	I'd like to comment in favor of Clear Mountain Energy Center. I looked into having solar at my residence, but the price for a custom install is quite high. I'm considering building a porch roof out of solar panels to power my home. I've always been a firm believer in renewable energy. We need a more robust supply of clean electricity in Ohio. Our economy is growing, and power consumption is on the rise. Large solar farms are a cost effective way to build new generating capacity, so it only makes sense to from an economic perspective. People like me would prefer our power to come from clean sources, and

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everyone else just wants the lights to turn on with an indifference to the energy supply. If utility companies are contracting to buy solar energy, then it means it's cost effective. Therefore, more solar on the grid will help stabilize prices for everyone. The main thing is that the fuel is free and limitless, with all the cost being up front, so the price of the energy is completely known and stable for the 30+ years of the project. The bottom line is that this project is going to be beneficial. Some people will always get worried about new things being done in their area, but that's no reason for the state to deny a private citizen their property rights or to reject a monumental step in the direction of much needed progress.

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