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Saturday, March 21, 2026

From: Ashley Coffey  
City: Monticello  
State: Kentucky  
Zip: 42633

Comments:

Structures like this should be limited to urban areas, we don't need more technology developing on America's farmland. No one is going to give or make our world more land at the end of the day.

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Friday, March 20, 2026

From: Rachael and Dwight Gregory  
City: Alpha  
State: Ky  
Zip: 42603

Comments:

To whom it may concern for case 2025-00177

I am writing this letter to say that I do not support the proposed solar panel farm.

I'm currently raising my 2 boys, age 4 and 8, on a 3rd generation family farm that is within seeing distance of proposed solar panel farm.

My grandmother bought this farm over 50 years ago and worked her butt off her entire life to ensure that the family farm would be paid off and stay in the family for generations to come. It didn't come easy and took a lot of sacrifice.

I write all of that to say, in our little community of Alpha, if you talk to any "old timer" or really 90% of our community, they take pride in their land and what they worked their life away to keep.

I think by placing these solar panel farms right in their face would be a disgrace to them.

Not only that, but last April, a historic hail storm came through our area, what would happen to these solar panels if that was to happen again?

What happens when "broadhead solar" goes bankrupt in 20 years and the property owner has already spent their millions, who will do the clean up then? Will the community or the county be left to clean up the mess?

I've heard all of this talk about the jobs it will bring in to our community... but we can't even get people that's willing to work at our local fast food restaurants. What makes you people think that we will have any one qualified or that will willingly work.

The roads that this big equipment is going to have travel is already in desperate need of repair. Will broadhead solar fix these roads before traveling them?

And let's just go ahead and touch on the subject of your definition of advertisement. In the

“classified” section of the newspaper. How many people subscribed to the local newspaper? Did you do an analysis and pick the least way to get information to people? Did you know that the local radio station offers a daily newspaper that delivers straight to people emails? Why wasn’t this option done? Why wasn’t it announced on the radio stations?

I live and work with 5 miles of this land and I had no ideal about this until February.

How am I supposed to trust a company who chose the “quietest way” to advertise for this because they didn’t want the bad feedback. As a company, DO BETTER!

Our community, Alpha, does not need this. The only person that will benefit is the land owner.

I respectfully ask that you take all of this in to consideration.

Thank you.

Rachael Dwight Gregory

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From: Chesney Harlan  
City: Albany  
State: Kentucky  
Zip: 42602

Comments:

My name is Chesney Harlan, I am an agriculture student at Eastern Kentucky University. I am originally from the neighboring town of Albany KY. I am incredibly against the development of the solar panel farm. Like most in the southeastern region of Kentucky I grew up on a farm. This production of solar energy is not only harming the family-owned farms but also destroying the food you, and the rest of America consume. The Harvard Business Review quotes "International Renewable Energy Agency official predictions assert that large amounts of annual waste anticipated by the early 2030's." They also say that "Early replacement can produce 50 times more waste in four years than IRENA predicts. This is pertaining to residential installations, commercial adds a much larger scale of waste." The document also states that there is also hardly any recycling infrastructure to interfere with the waste disposal. It costs twenty to thirty dollars to recycle residential solar panels. It costs one to two dollars to put them in the land fill. Specialized labor is needed to detach and remove then. This then introduces a new sustainability issue of irreversible damage to farmland. If the company decides to never replace or remove the panels they will sit and take up farmland that could be used to feed your families. While solar panels have benefits, feeding America seems more important to me. The Union of Concerned Scientists released an article this month titled "Environmental Impacts of Solar Power." Some key points from this article were "Impacts local biodiversity and releases heat trapping gasses by disturbing or removing soil and biomass." "Affecting migration corridors for wildlife." Eastern Kentucky is known for its whitetail deer, fox squirrels, sandhill cranes, and broad winged hawk. Now imagine going to Yellowstone and instead of seeing bison, elk, wolves, or a moose you see a huge solar panel farm standing where they once roamed freely. Solar panels are also considered a hazardous waste in Europe, Australia, Japan, and South Korea. Hazardous waste examples are batteries, paints, cleaners, and lead. Those items can kill an animal in seconds so why would we put them in the middle of a wildlife habitat? America needs farmers, not solar panels.

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