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1. Refer to Ashwood Solar's response to Siting Board Staff's Second Requests for Information, Item 6. Regarding the four residential properties identified in this response, explain how Ashwood Solar intends to address the viewshed concerns of these four residential properties. Provide along with this response the map that was shown during the hearing and identify the distance to the nearest solar panel from each of these residential properties.

RESPONSE: As mentioned in the Ashwood Solar I LLC testimony on May 11, 2021, prior to the hearing, it was determined after further discussion the landowners that one of the four areas (Point R3 on the map showing distances) in question was no longer an issue since the rolling topography near the residence provided a natural visual buffer from the proposed location of the solar project. After proving the visual simulations, further discussions with this landowner determined that no further mitigation measures were needed, and that the landowner was satisfied with the information provided. For the remaining three areas, the Project has proposed eliminating panels from designated areas to further mitigate remaining viewshed concerns. These 'exclusion areas' were depicted in the map shown during the May 11 testimony.

Both the map shown during the hearing and an updated map, showing the distances as requested, have been attached for review.

WITNESS: Joshua McNeely

## PHDR 1a

## Hearing Map



#### Ashwood

#### Lyon County, KY

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## PHDR 1b

## Updated Map



Notes 1. Coordinate System: NAD 1983 2011 StatePlane Kentucky South FIPS 1602 Ft US 2. Data Sources: RWE, Stantec 3. Background: 2018 USDA-NAIP-FSA Imagery -Kentucky (60cm resolution)

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Potential Project Footprint Area

County Boundary

Substation & Potential Battery Storage Location

Lyon County, KY

Figi 1

Client/Project RWE Renewables

Data Request

Ashwood Solar Project Noise Assessment

Title Revised Distances for Post Hearing

Western Kentucky Correctional Complex

Prepared by ALC on 2021-05-25 TR by MMM on 2021-05-25 IR Review by JA on 2021-05-25

Natural Gas Pipeline

Transmission Lines

Fredonia Valley Quarry

Potential Vegetation Buffer

US 641 Preliminary Preferred Alignment

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2. Regarding the noise reduction measures identified by Christi Thomas to mitigate noise generated during the pile driving process, provide additional details of the two measures described by Mrs. Thomas, i.e., the semi tractor with canvas method and the sound blankets on fence method, including the level of noise reduction that can be achieved by these two measures, if known.

RESPONSE: One of the noise reduction measures discussed during the May 11, 2021, testimony that can be implemented to dampen and/or mitigate noise generated during the pile driving process is to utilize temporary acoustic barriers during the pile installation. The attached cutsheet provides an example of the acoustic barriers, which is installed onto temporary fencing that will move with the pile drivers as they sequence their way through the installation of the piles for the racking structure foundation. According to the product's specifications provided by the manufacturer, there can be as low as 10dB noise reduction and as high as 20dB noise reduction when implemented in the field. This mitigation (or any other comparable method) would only be utilized during the pile driving construction process and not during operations or any other time of the project. The semi-truck trailer with canvas mentioned during the hearing is not described or included with this response as we do not have data on the amount of noise reduction that could be seen when implemented in the field but expect that it would be comparable to other noise reduction techniques available.

WITNESS: Kevin Macklin

## PHDR 2

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#### ECHO BARRIER H9 & H10 NOISE CONTROL SYSTEMS

Whether you are working inside a building or outside, you can now quickly and easily protect local communities, site workers, pedestrians, students and employees from the harmful effects of excessive noise.

The Echo Barrier H2 noise barrier is the most effective temporary noise control solution on the market. Scientifically developed by our team of acoustic experts, the H2 produces best-in-class sound attenuation and absorption helping you cut noise pollution by up to 99%.

#### **FEATURES**

- Sound absorbing
- Lightweight
- Weatherproof
- Fire resistant

#### BENEFITS

- Easy-Hook for quick mounting
- Reflective safety stripes



All H2 Series acoustic barriers are lightweight, weatherproof, easy to install, built to last and fire resistant to BS7837:1996. Their flexibility allows you to create the ideal solution for your work site or location, whether you're operating a construction, demolition, rail-works or public transportation site, or a live event.



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#### Waterproof outer layer

Extremely durable and waterproof, highest quality PVC makes our acoustic barrier easy to clean and professional looking.



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#### Acoustic absorbent

Top grade lightweight acoustic absorbent made from recycled material prevents sound from reflecting off the barrier

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#### Waterproof breathable membrane

Allows sound to be absorbed but keeps water out.

#### Durable reinforced mesh

Extends product life to retain acoustic performance in harsh working environments.





## DESIGNED TO BE EASY FENCE MOUNT



### ATTACHMENT ACCESSORIES FOR RAPID INSTALLATION

#### Hooks

Our robust hooks have been designed to securely attach Echo Barrier products to most temporary fencing systems for smaller diameter fencing, simply reverse the hook. When additional noise control is needed, our barriers are designed to be double layered on the same hooks



#### Fitting Kit

Echo Barrier supplies the only purpose-designed acoustic barrier fitting kit on the market. Available for fencing or scaffolding, each kit contains two elastic ties and a hook: the corner of one barrier hangs on the hook of its adjoining barrier. You only need one kit per barrier



#### **Vertical Fitting Kit**

Our vertical fitting kits allow you to hang barrier-from-barrier securely to create a vertical screen. Perfect for addressing challenges on more unusual-and difficult-projects



#### **Elastic Ties**

Our specially designed elastic ties help you rapidly secure our barriers in place, making sure there's no acoustic leakage.

#### Anti-theft Cable

Simply weave our vinyl-covered multi-strand cable through the eyes of each barrier and the fencing, and secure with a padlock through each looped end.



#### **Double Palm Safety Glove**

Heavy-duty, reinforced gloves with extra palm and index finger fortification protect workers' hands while handling and installing our barriers.



## **ECHO BARRIER H2 NOISE CONTROL SYSTEM**

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They provide temporary noise control in sensitive sites, screening generators, compressors or HVAC equipment. As a workstation they provide a safe working environment to allow the siting of cutting stations or other noise sources close to work areas.

- Lightweight
- Weatherproof
- Fire Resistant







INDIVIDUAL

FOLD FOR STORAGE

**H2O ENCLOSURE** 





**DEMOLITION - CONSTRUCTION** 

**CUTTING STATION** 

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3. State when Ashwood Solar will have more information on the school tax revenue requirement under an industrial revenue bond or payment in lieu of taxes.

RESPONSE: Final confirmation of the school district PILOT payment amount and structure will require adoption of an inducement bond resolution by Lyon County. The inducement resolution will approve the form of a PILOT Agreement between the County and Ashwood Solar I LLC that will establish the PILOT payments to be made by Ashwood Solar I LLC to the Lyon County School District. Further, the resolution will be required to be submitted to the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority ("KEDFA") once the inducement bond resolution has been adopted by Lyon County. As stated in testimony during the May 11, 2021, hearing it is our understanding that KEDFA, specifically based on guidance from the Commissioner for Department of Financial Services is requesting that IRBs be required to maintain "full payment" of any property taxes for the local school district throughout the life of a project. It is Ashwood's intent to adhere to the requirement and pay property taxes to the local school district in full for the life of the project under a proposed IRB.

Once the project is ready to be constructed, Lyon County will adopt an ordinance giving final approval of the bonds, but the terms of the PILOT Agreement approved in the inducement bond resolution with respect to the Lyon County School District will not be modified or changed to the School District's detriment.

WITNESS: Joshua McNeely