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June 15 Public Hearing in Logan County

Case Number 2021-00235

Please find the following as comments from the Vick Family Trust to be heard during the June 15, 2022, first Public Hearing in Logan County involving proposed construction by Russellville Solar, LLC, concerning the above referenced case number.

The questions, concerns, and feelings of the Vick Family Trust involving this proposed construction are well documented in the case file. Below is a summary of everything that has been presented concerning this construction and the clear reason we are asking the Kentucky Public Service Commission and the Tennessee Valley Authority to vote NO to the request to construct this proposed facility in Logan County, Kentucky.

The first issue is simple. There is no evidence whatsoever that this proposed facility is needed. There is simply no need for this project. Just because a group of people want to come to Logan County, Kentucky, as a foreign entity to Kentucky, destroy prime cropland in the United States for no productive reason whatsoever, is clearly reason enough to stop here and simply say that this proposed project can not proceed as presented. On this simple issue alone we ask the Kentucky Public Service Commission to vote NO to this proposed construction.

The second issue is clearly as simple. The evidence submitted by Russellville Solar to the Kentucky Public Service Commission clearly shows that they do not understand the land concerns on this property in the proposed construction. The cut and paste Environmental Assessment plan clearly show that Russellville Solar does not have the understanding or ability to construct a responsible project on this prime crop land. Out of state crews are still working on the land to understand its characteristics. There is no construction, maintenance, or decommission plans with this proposed project whatsoever. Why would anyone approve such a poorly planned project that is not needed? We believe the answer is simple;

because the issues involving this piece of property have not been addressed by Russellville Solar, a vote of NO construction to this project is required.

This proposed project brings no economic benefit to Logan County or Kentucky whatsoever. In fact, this proposed project will cause a huge economic drain in Logan County. From massive loss of employment to a massive loss of property tax base, Logan County will economically suffer because of this project. Foreign entities should not be allowed to come to Kentucky and drain the economic life from a thriving crop farming community for no reason whatsoever. There should be an economic benefit to any project. This project provides none. We ask the Kentucky Service Commission to protect the economic stability of the way of life in Logan County and vote NO to a faulty ill-conceived proposed project.

It should be of great concern that in this proposed project that no one has any responsibility or liability from any dire consequences resulting from this poorly planned project. After a full review of this proposed project, it can clearly be seen that numerous costly consequences will result from this project. The fact that no responsibility or liability from these consequences fall on anyone is a sad truth for the citizens of Logan County. The fact that we know that these dire consequences will come and the fact that no one will be responsible to this harm to Logan County is enough for the Kentucky Public Service Commission to protect the citizens of Logan County and stop this poorly planned project before this damage is done to Kentucky.

It is so often said that because there is no planning and zoning policies in Logan County that a land-owner can do whatever they want to with their land. This seems to be true for foreign entities to Kentucky but not for tax paying citizens of Logan County. The Vick Family Trust should be given the same privilege and be allowed to continue our successful crop farming operation in its current state and not be damaged or altered by a poorly, faulty, ill-conceived, dangerous proposed project. We are asking the Kentucky Public Service Commission to protect this successful economic way of life for Kentucky and American from a very bad proposed alternative.

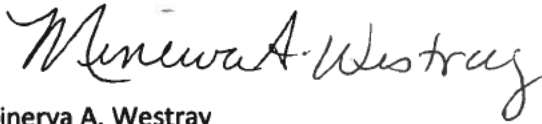
We believe that Logan County and the Kentucky Public Service Commission should not be in the business of bailing out ill-conceived hoax projects from foreign entities to Kentucky. There is no economic benefit from this project to Logan County or Kentucky and to let this project proceed will only cause future consequences to the crop farming operation of Kentucky.

We have been told so many times from public officials in Logan County that this project is a 100 percent go. We have been told so many times that the Kentucky Public Service Commission has already approved this project. Indeed, the Kentucky Public Service Commission has a Logan County public official on this voting board. If this be the case, we respectfully ask the Kentucky Public Service Commission this afternoon to inform the citizens of Logan County that these facts are true. This proposed project will happen in Logan County. If this is not the case, we respectfully ask the Kentucky

Public Service Commission to truly review this proposed project and vote NO on the merits of the evidence for this project. The developers of this project could not have chosen a worst site in Kentucky due to the sensitive nature of this property to propose constructing such a facility.

We truly thank the professionalism of the Kentucky Public Service Commission. We thank you for giving the citizens of Logan County a voice today in this serious matter. Without your help and attention, the citizens of Logan County would not have been heard and no one would have been aware of these dangers facing Logan County and Kentucky. We truly thank the hard work, time, and attention of the Kentucky Public Service Commission. We respectfully request you vote NO and stop this proposed project before anymore harm comes to the way of life in Logan County, Kentucky.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Minerva A. Westray". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M' and a long, sweeping tail on the 'y'.

Minerva A. Westray

Vick Family Trust