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Re: Public Comments for Case Number: 2022-00115 - Thoroughbred Solar, LLC

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Members of The Kentucky Electric Generation and Transmission Siting Board,

We're participating landowners in the Thoroughbred Solar Project. The decisions to lease our land to Leeward came down the way the project will benefit not only our immediate family, but also the next generation.

We've always wanted to pass this farm down to our children and grandchildren, and this project will enable us to do that. Farming has always been a challenging occupation, and turning a profit continues to become more difficult. Solar energy is like a new cash crop with a guaranteed return – no drought, flood, hail storm, or disease will reduce our yield for the life of the project.

We respect the opinion of others regarding the technology. If it's not a good fit for your farm and family then you absolutely have the right to not choose solar. Our decision to do this was about keeping the farm in the family. This opportunity ensures that that dream will come true.

This land has been the source of our family's livelihood for generations. We think that others look at this property and forget that. We would never try to stop anyone else from using their land to become more financially secure, and we would appreciate the same treatment.

Sincerely,

Tony and Traci Gardner 1129 L and N Tumpike Rd Horse Cave, KY 42749

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