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Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
Kentucky Public Service Commission
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Linda C. Birdwell, Executive Director

Dear MS. Birdwell:

I am writing to you today to give support to the proposed Dogwood Corners Solar Project. Case Number 2023-00246 which is currently before your Commission. This project is located in Christian County Kentucky.

Kentucky Laborers Employers Cooperation and Education Trust Fund (LECET), represents more than three hundred employers and 7 Local Unions of the Kentucky Laborers District Council (KLDC).

As time moves into the third decade of the 21st Century, we as a Commonwealth and as a Nation, face a myriad of challenges and changes that Solar Projects such as Dogwood Corners help address. The issue of Global Warming, advancing energy needs and the creation of clean sustainable energy and associated jobs are at the heart of the need for the creation of a strong Solar Generation component to secure this Commonwealth's energy needs.

We currently have under construction two large EV Battery Plants and a world class Battery Recycling Plant near the projects at Glendale, Bowling Green, and Pembroke, Kentucky. The need to switch from carbon-based fuels to solar based fuels has never been greater. The need to create renewable power sources will attract new industry to Kentucky, allow for EV grid capacity to cover the Commonwealth and help to reduce our carbon footprint. These challenges, when met, will change the image of our commonwealth to becoming the most energy diverse state in the Southeast United States. I therefore encourage you to give full consideration to the Dogwood Corners project and any other clean energy projects that come before the siting Board and the PSC as a firm and solid investment into the economic future of Kentucky.

Sincerely,

Robert Akin
Director Kentucky LECET

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