## Case No. 2024-00129

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From: Wallace McMullen Sent: Monday, September 23, 2024 4:16 PM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Subject: Public Comment in Case #2024-00129



## Dear Commissioners

EKPC Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Case #2024-00129

I am supportive of the project(s) this CPCN will authorize, because they will bring 136 MW of new, clean power onto the power grid, (enough to power 15,500 homes). Because EKPC currently buys much of its power from the regional transmission organization, PJM, building these new facilities should help lower energy costs for customers here in Kentucky, which is desirable. The emissions-free electricity generation will also help Kentucky's air quality.

Bringing clean, renewable energy online in Kentucky makes our energy grid more reliable and resilient in the face of extreme weather. Utility-scale solar is a low-cost option for achieving these goals.

The PSC does need to determine that EKPC is doing everything possible to invest in energy efficiency programs and demand-side management technology to lessen the need for building new generating infrastructure. Also, the PSC needs to prioritize distributed renewable generation which tends to utilize existing rooftops, and avoids the use of prime farmland. The combination of solar generation

plus battery storage has wonderful potential for addressing the expected growing spikes in future load in a cost-effective manner, and the PSC should be urging all KY utilities to seriously examine and make investments in these technologies.

Further, I urge the PSC to ensure that this project is planned and implemented in ways that lessen the long term impact of the site, so that it can have the most positive effect possible on the surrounding environment. Planting pollinator species within the site, and grazing sheep are some known possible positive choices.

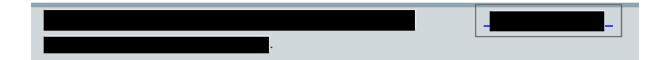
Sincerely, Wallace McMullen

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From: Stephen Dutschke Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2024 5:58 PM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Subject: Public Comment in Case #2024-00129



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From: Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2024 7:51 PM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Subject: No. 204-000129

I am writing to express my concern about large-scale solar development in Fayette County.

I support solar power in our built environment, not on our important rural lands.

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