

Public Comments Received for Case Number: 2024-00337
Response Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Thank you for your comments. Your comments in the above referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration. Please cite the case number in this matter, 2024-00337 in any further correspondence.

The documents in this case are available at: [View Case Filings for: 2024-00337 \(ky.gov\)](#).

Thank you for your comments. Your comments in the above referenced matter have been received

Received through Public Comments

Monday, October 13, 2025

From: Robert Snee
City: Glasgow
State: KY
Zip: 42141

Comments:

I provided a public comment at the evidentiary hearing, and expressed concern that it was almost inevitable that over the expected life of the solar farm, the panels would be damaged by a hail storm, thereby causing toxic material to leach into the soil and affect the Mammoth Cave National Park Watershed. There is no exaggeration in this statement, which is supported by the historical weather data.

Kentucky once placed 16th in the top states with the number of major hail events in 2011. Interestingly, the biggest hail recorded in this state was a 5-inch hail spotted in Harlan County on April 23, 1968, 13:00 CST. In summary, there were a total of 87 hailstorms from 2009 to 2018. The worst hailstorm that hit the state was the 2012 storm in Wolfe, costing \$2 million in property damage.

According to NOAA, National Centers for Environmental Information, in Barren County alone and over the 40 year period from May 1, 1985 through May 31, 2025, a total of 33 hailstorms occurred, with property damage being reported with 2 of those events. A link to the NOAA search follows. Common sense and a risk benefit analysis can only result in one conclusion, the risk of damage to the Mammoth Cave watershed far exceeds the benefits to the people of Kentucky and the construction permit being sought should be denied.

https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/stormevents/listevents.jsp?eventType=%28C%29+HailbeginDate_mm=05beginDate_dd=01beginDate_yyyy=1985endDate_mm=05endDate_dd=31endDate_yyy=2025county=BARREN%3A9hailfilter=0.00tornfilter=0windfilter=000sort=DTsubmitbutton=Searchstatefips=21%2CKENTUCKY

*Gregory T Dutton
Frost Brown Todd, LLC
400 West Market Street
32nd Floor
Louisville, KY 40202-3363

*Kathryn A Eckert
Frost Brown Todd, LLC
400 West Market Street
32nd Floor
Louisville, KY 40202-3363

*Pierce T. Stevenson
Frost, Brown, Todd, LLC
250 West Main Street
Suite 2800
Lexington, KY 40507