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To whom it may concern,

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

This letter intends to express support for the Wood Duck Solar Project and ask you to support the project for the benefit of Barren County and its residents.

- Solar will increase revenues for our community. Property taxes paid by Wood Duck Solar will generate revenue in the millions of dollars for Barren County without requiring additional services.
- Solar creates business within the local supply chain. Local businesses such as construction, landscaping/seed, hospitality, and restaurants, as well as many others, will benefit from increased income thanks to work during the construction phase and ongoing operations of solar facilities.
- Solar provides a predictable revenue stream for property owners. Long-term leases and predictable income could lead to greater investments and spending within Barren County, providing benefits to the community that exceed the benefits to the project landowners alone.
- Solar will not harm the environment or the farmland—in fact, just the opposite. Solar farms do not emit any gases or release chemicals into the environment. Posts that support the solar panels are driven into the ground, but concrete is not used to anchor them. Farmland is allowed to rest, stay in grass, native plants, or reclaimed areas, and can be used for farming again after the project is decommissioned.
- Most solar panels are not within view and do not disrupt neighbors. Wood Duck Solar is committed to maintaining the character of the area by retaining trees and vegetation where we can, implementing a vegetation plan throughout the site, and installing visual buffers in selected areas of the Project's perimeter. In addition, solar doesn't produce noise, high traffic, smells, or cause permanent land use impacts.

Utility-scale solar energy is one way our community can best utilize and protect its assets while enriching our community.

I hope that you will stand in support of the Wood Duck Solar Project, for the benefit of Barren County residents.

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Sincerely,

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