

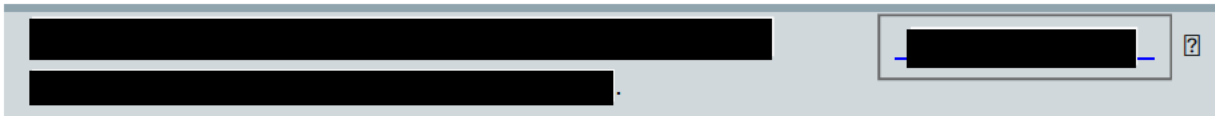
From: [PSC Public Comment](#)
To: ["Erin Lewis"](#)
Subject: RE: Case No. 2024-00406
Date: Thursday, July 3, 2025 8:28:00 AM

Case No. 2024-00406

Thank you for your comments on the application of Lost City Renewables LLC. 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, 2024-00406 in any further correspondence. The documents in this case are available at [View Case Filings for: 2024-00406 \(ky.gov\)](#).

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: Erin Lewis [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, July 2, 2025 6:56 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
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I've attached a letter regarding case number 2024-00406. If I need to submit this letter in a different way, please let me know.

Thanks
Erin Groves [REDACTED]

July 2, 2025

Case No. **2024-00406**

I am writing to express serious concerns regarding the proposed solar farm development currently being considered in Muhlenberg County. While renewable energy efforts are important, there are several key issues surrounding this project that deserve close examination.

To begin with, I want to highlight that Logan County—our neighboring county—already has ordinances in place governing solar farm development and there is in fact already a solar farm there. The Logan County ordinances include setback requirements that are less than what Muhlenberg County residents are pushing for and less than the KRS requirements. This raises multiple concerns about why Lost City Solar would look at Muhlenberg as a location for their proposed site, especially when you factor in that the proposed site is 10 miles away from the transmission site. These factors contribute to growing concern in the community regarding the relationship between the solar project and the property owner, Stetson Atcher, who stands to make a great deal of money from the lease. It has come to light that the property owner is employed by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). Given TVA's involvement in energy generation and infrastructure, this connection raises red flags about possible insider knowledge or preferential treatment in how this project has been initiated and advanced in Muhlenberg County. The appearance of a conflict of interest should be taken very seriously and fully investigated to ensure transparency and public trust. The fact that the property owner potentially initiated this proposed site in Muhlenberg County based on the fact that he would profit from the deal should be a major concern for all involved.

There is also a YouTube video posted by the landowner 5 years ago showcasing the property as being prime hunting ground with a lodge that is available to rent by hunters. The YouTube video can be viewed here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EaCuUFP9XHE>. This video advertisement is vastly different from the studies submitted by Lost City Solar showing that minimal impact to wildlife.







Another critical concern is the state of our roads—specifically Highway 949. Just recently, a log truck was seen traveling this road, straddling the center line for most of the route due to the deep dips and divots in the pavement. The vehicle swayed side to side multiple times and appeared close to tipping over on several occasions due to the uneven surface, dips and divots of the road. This event highlights the dangerous condition of our rural infrastructure, which is clearly not suited for the volume and weight of traffic that would be associated with constructing and operating a solar facility of this scale. I've included a picture of the truck as it travels down Hwy 949. With the amount of clearing needed for the proposed site, including logging 609 acre of trees, seeing logging trucks traveling in this manner down 949 will become a common, but unsafe occurrence.



As a member of the Penrod neighborhood, I ask the PSC to take these matters seriously and consider them and the other concerns and information shared by others in the neighborhood.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

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