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Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation
211 Sower Boulevard
PO Box 615
Frankfort, Kentucky 40602

Re: Exie Solar, LLC
Case No. 2025-00151

Dear Board:

One of the biggest concerns in past years in our area has been protecting water run-off that leads to damaging our bodies of water. I personally participated in conservation programs such as CRP that was used for several years to protect our bodies of water such as Green River. Green River runs all the way into the Ohio River and is home to species of fish that are only found in Green River. Is the solar panel project going to harm our land, waters, and native wildlife? What can you do to ensure that no harm comes to our community, land, water, wildlife and people?

There is uncertainty about most of this project, but specifically concerning the hold off from property lines of those who are not participating, as it affects us all. Myself and several of my family and friends have been to these panel meetings and have asked what the hold off distance is from the panels to the property lines of those who are not participating in this project. Each of us has received a different answer from the solar company. None of us received a straight answer. Is there a true answer about what the hold off distance is from the panels to non-participating properties? As someone who enjoys their farm and life in the country, the solar panels are a huge concern. The site, noise, and extra heat from the panels are just a few of the major negatives of this project. Our farmland has been passed down from generation to generation and is something my brother and I want to pass on to our kids. It is our family heritage. Being surrounded by solar panels greatly decreases our property value. The panels will not allow us to be able to raise nearly as many acres of crops because we will have to hold off a great distance from the panels. Me, my family, and our whole community enjoy hunting and with panels surrounding our whole farm, there will be no environment for our wildlife and for us to hunt. This will negatively impact our farmers, hunters, wildlife, waterways, and farmland.

Were there certain qualifications that the company looked for to ask certain people to participate in this project? I never received any letter or notification about this project taking place, that people were signing up for it, or anything about this. The only notification I received was word of mouth about these meetings for questions, but not for participation. Those

meetings only occurred after the company had those who they had chosen signed up and paid for their participation. This left no equal chance for those who want to speak against this project and for the actual facts to come to light.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Billy Joe Beard". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Billy J. Beard
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