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Sunday, February 15, 2026

From: Jamie Tucker
City: Alpha
State: ky
Zip: 42603

Comments:

To whom it may concern:

I am writing concerning the solar panel farm that you are wanting to put in on land that is in my community. I am not going to put the pros and cons in this letter because you already know the pros and cons.

What I am concerned about are the effects of the farm land surrounding this community. You can present all the evidence you want that your scientist has submitted, but I think any farmer around would rank at the top of those scientist that you are paying big money to. Hire a farmer and ask them their opinion on your solar panels.

Do any of you value the farm land that God has given to us to take care, there will be no more and when you destroy all the farmland where are you going to get your food. Dont take for granted what we have.

What are the solar panels going to do to the value of adjacent farmland and properties. What will happen to our future generation, speaking for my family I want to be able to hand down to my children and grandchildren the beautiful land not looking at solar panels in their back door.

I have read and researched all your information on your filings and you say you attempted to contact everyone by certified letters, did you use the correct address on your certified letters. This community is not in Monticello it is Alpha KY 42603. You put an ad in the county paper in the classified section really, should this not be front page news. Did you even research to see how many people in the community subscribes to the county paper. Do you not know how to use modern technology, or just use face to face communication, knocking on doors and speaking to people face to face and listening to their concerns.

I think its a down right shame that you (Barrellhead Solar LLC) has the money to put this solar farm in but lack knowledge on how to contact people in the community. This just doesnt concern peoples land that joins the land where they will be located, but an entire community.

In closing Barrellhead Solar LLC would you and partners want a solar panel farm in your front yard, back yard, behind your church. We chose to live in the country for a reason we love our land and wildlife that God has given to us and that we have worked hard to preserve for future generations or is it just about the all mighty dollar.

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City: Alpha,
State: Kentucky
Zip: 42603

Comments:

Fairview Church of Christ and ,cemetery will be completely surrounded by these solar panels.front,sides ,and back are all land owned by Jeff Bertram.Since the Church is a small country church there is no physical person to receive the mail for the church and, to our knowledge no-one at Church was notified. We do not want the solar panels.

There will be destruction to our Lakes because any runoff will go directly into Lake Cumberland because there are numerous sinkholes and hills to valley's,and ,also ruin our tourism.It will be detrimental to our drinking water since all of Wayne ,Pulaski,Clinton ,Cumberland ,and even Tennessee get water from Lake Cumberland.

I am also concerned about what happens to the solar farm if is should go bankrupt,, the devastation to our beautiful farmland

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Saturday, February 14, 2026

From: Janet (Shelton) Tanner
City: Bonaire
State: GA
Zip: 31005

Comments:

Appeal for dismissal of application of Solar panels - Barrelhead Solar, LLC
Case no. 2025-00177

Upon representation of Leta Kaye Shelton of 1009N Hwy 2084, I, Janet Shelton Tanner, request to file this appeal to those parties involved and this hearing that the company known as Barrelhead Solar, LLC, NOT be allowed to install Solar panels on the 307 acres so listed in this hearing.

Due to my mother living approximately 50 feet from where those solar panels will be installed, I see this as a potential problem to property value, health, vegetation and issues with the surrounding community.

These panels will decrease the value of my mother's property by approximately 3% to 5.8% and or greater. I am sure anyone interested in buying her home does not want to wake up, look out their window and 50 feet in front of their face, see solar panels. May I also mention the noise that is produced with these solar panels, and will be a disturbance for my mother and her health conditions. With solar panels comes much construction, and noise and not to mention the change in the weather environment creating a more "heat island". This may lead to potential fires of dried vegetation created by the panels as well as reflect heat to her home and surrounding land. All these things are an inconvenience, an eye sore and produce a very undesirable living condition for my mother and those living around these panels. This also jeopardizes her health with the run off produced during storms and potential flooding in her yard, and driveway.

With research and experience with other individuals that have experienced the installation of solar panels, I appeal to this hearing to be aware of the economic factor as the habitat destruction of 15-22% of the land. With destruction, this land will no longer be used for agriculture. With the constant monitoring that is required of solar panels, most companies do not monitor as they should. With this, damage panels may create toxic runoff from damaged broken panels. This also creates more of a run off during rain and erosion issues to the soil. This would jeopardize my mothers property of not only toxic chemicals but to her surrounding yard and soil promoting further erosion of her property and land.

These solar systems also require more water up to potentially 20 gallons per megawatt hour (54 megawatt per Barrelhead as stated in their case) this being over 1,080 gallons. This leads to the potential to affect a large, man-made reservoir, Lake Cumberland, well known for its tourism of boating, fishing and water activities. This brings in revenue to businesses in the surrounding area that serve tourism . Tourism will decrease due to these solar panels possibly using water supply from Lake Cumberland and not to mention possible dumping of chemicals from the run off of these panels. This will affect the fishing trade with decrease of natural water resources for aquatic wildlife and human resources.

Solar panels made of silicon and gallium arsenide are known to be toxic to the environment. And further studies show that these panels are made with nitrous oxide gas and perfluorocarbon (PFCs) and will and can contribute to global warming. This affects the eco system/weather system. There will be no further vegetation in these areas of solar panels and for years to come as these cause a heat disturbance and no longer allow natural sun solar growth of vegetation. It has been stated that these panels contain a material of cadmium that is very toxic to humans and the environment and can be released into the water as well as the air.

As stated in the notification letter: 'The facility will consist of solar photovoltaic panels and the associated racking systems, electric equipment, project substation and transformer, utility switching station, and underground electrical connection lines.' With these stated items and possibly any inverter fans or tracking motors these will increase the noise level in the community. With all these listed items, this will decrease the value of surrounding homes, farmland and produce health issues and decrease the water resources of the community. With installations of these systems, wildfire ignition may be a risk to life and limb in our community. This may be attributed to electrical failures, debris buildup or dried vegetation.

As my mother and I have been approached by several companies, we have also learned that most solar power is not even used in our own country, the USA. With us having the property adjacent from this area, we do not agree with them trespassing on our property to cause damage to our property as well as our lives and well being by installing the panels.

I implore upon this committee and those involved, do NOT proceed further with any form of installation of these solar panels as our lives and health will be greatly impacted.

Leta K. Shelton



Janet L. (Shelton) Tanner (daughter of Leta K. Shelton and representative)



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