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Subject: RE: Request to Include Public Comment in Case No. 2020-00391 – Henderson County Solar LLC
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Case No. 2020-00391

Thank you for your comments on the application of Henderson County Solar 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, 2020-00391, in any further correspondence. The documents in this case are available at [View Case Filings for: 2020-00391 \(ky.gov\)](#).

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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Re: Case No. 2020-00391 – Henderson County Solar LLC

Dear Ms. Bridwell and Members of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting,

I am writing to bring to the Board's attention information that may be relevant to the ongoing oversight of the Henderson County Solar Project.

Based on recent public discussions before Henderson County officials, it appears there may be unresolved questions regarding the status and validity of local building permits

associated with this project. Public reports indicate that Henderson County attorneys and representatives of the project have been engaged in discussions concerning whether the project may proceed under existing approvals and whether local permitting issues remain unresolved. The question also remains to if they are under the current Henderson County Solar Moratorium.

As the Board is aware, the project has already been the subject of proceedings regarding ownership transfer and compliance with Mitigation Measure 26. Given those circumstances, I respectfully request clarification as to whether the Board has verified that all required local permits, approvals, extensions, transfers, and authorizations remain valid and in effect for the entity currently controlling the project.

Specifically, I request that the Board consider:

1. Whether any building permits issued for the project have expired, been extended, transferred, reassigned, or otherwise modified since their original issuance.
2. Whether any permits were originally issued to an entity that no longer controls the project.
3. Whether Henderson County has confirmed that all required local permits remain valid following the ownership and control changes that were the subject of recent Siting Board proceedings.
4. Whether construction may lawfully commence if questions regarding local permit validity remain under review by county officials and legal counsel.
5. Another issue is that Henderson County residents have had NO Resident Representative since Mr. McKee has been DECEASED since 1/21/22.

I am not requesting that the Board make findings on matters outside its jurisdiction. Rather, I respectfully ask that the Board ensure that all conditions necessary for lawful construction have been satisfied before construction activities proceed.

I have attached a newspaper article reference of the reason for this message.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter and for your continued oversight of Case No. 2020-00391.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Henson Hill
Henderson County, Kentucky

Rudy-Rowland Funeral Home

HERBERT "HERB"
LOUIS MCKEE, SR.

(May 21, 1947 - January 21, 2022)

Herbert (Herb) Louis McKee Sr., 74, of Smith Mills, Kentucky passed away this weekend in his home in Henderson.

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assist with renewable energy issues are in discussion to determine if the project falls under the county's solar moratorium that was approved last year.

Henderson County Attorney Steve Gold, during the meeting, said the discussions with attorneys involved center around a legal question: "Does the moratorium apply or not?"

Stephen Land, the vice president for development for project developer Stellar Renewable Power, said the project, under different ownership, has been in development since 2021, with Stellar becoming the owner in 2024. He said Stellar has been in regular communication with local government since and there's been no question of whether the project falls under the solar moratorium till now.

When Land told the fiscal court he wanted to quote from a recent email that had come from the county, Gold stopped him there, saying that, "Judge, at this point, I would suggest this is an inappropriate conversation to be heard on this matter because there's not been a final decision made on this matter."

Gold said that discussions need to be had among the lawyers in this matter, and once a decision has been issued, then it could be brought up in fiscal court.

Land then asked if he could discuss the impact on ratepayers if the project was not built.

Gold said he would need to leave the room if any further discussion occurred. He said that he cannot discuss aspects of whether the project falls under the moratorium without Stellar's attorney present and did not want to be in the room if the fiscal court wanted to hear about ratepayer impacts, saying further discussion with him present could violate the Kentucky Bar Association ethics rules.

"Just to be certain we do not run afoul of those rules, I'd prefer we'd not have that conversation here," said Henderson Judge-Executive Brad Schneider.

Gold said he did not have a time frame for when a decision is issued, saying there were others involved in the process.

In addition to the county attorney's office, Mac Johns, an attorney the county recently hired to assist with renewable energy issues and legal questions, and Greg Dutton, the attorney representing Stellar are involved in the discussions.

After the meeting, Land said the email about the building permit caught Stellar off-guard as they are scheduled to begin construction on June 15.

He said past local government actions should prove that the project does not fall under the moratorium. Applications had been submitted and plans approved before the fiscal court approved a two-year moratorium, he said.

Land cited actions taken by local government bodies in 2025. Early that year, the fiscal court gave final approval for a **two-year solar moratorium**. In a Hendersonian article, Brad Bickett, general manager of HMP&L, said that the Henderson County Solar project would not be affected.

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