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To: PLANNING

Subject: Concern

Dear board members,

I am writing this email to express my grave concern regarding the solar project that will expand from quite literally my front yard to the neighboring community of Iowa. Not only is this a concern for our wildlife but also for our health. If you research health effects of solar panels, you may be quite surprised. There are many personal accounts of people that have experienced negative health symptoms because of solar panels. I have two young children, ages 1 and 3. I will do everything in my power to keep them safe and protect them from such harm. My main concern is the radiation and increased risk of cancer to them. Although the amount of radiation given off by these solar panels has been marked “safe,” individuals with sensitivities to EMFs may have adverse effects. And just how safe are they really, especially one million of them in one location... The solar panels themselves may emit a low amount of radiation, but the other technology used to convert and use this energy is another problem as well. What about “dirty” electricity? Another concern is that if these panels were destroyed in another storm, what sort of toxic substances would be released into our community? The wind grade they are stating

that these will be is insufficient if we were to get another storm as strong as Laura. Next, I have drainage concerns. Natali road already floods with a days worth of heavy rain. The pasture where these solar panels will be located drains right in front of our driveway. This property, I'm sure, will need to be built up—resulting in even more runoff water. I do not see there being any fix to this. What about weather? How do these solar panels affect weather? Do these things create a significant amount of fog because of the heat they produce? Think about our weather here in Southwest Louisiana. I do not see this as being a good mix. I do not trust this company and their answers they are giving us. Everything is sunflowers and rainbows to them; of course, because it isn't their kids playing in the front yard being exposed to this. Our community has suffered enough damage. We do not need the stress of this added to our plates. This is nonsense. I will not stand to be pushed around in my own home. Our town is peaceful—we all have each others' backs. I pray that you have our backs on this one and vote against this. I look forward to a response.

Respectfully,

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