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October 20, 2018

Attn: Mr. Ronald L. Brand, Director of Development

RE: SEQR Delaware River Large Scale Solar Power Plant

Dear members of the Town of Farmington Planning and Zoning Boards,

I am writing this letter to express my displeasure and wishes against the proposed solar power plant erection on the property adjacent to Yellow Mills and Fox Roads. The proposed size and magnitude taken from productive farm acreage for this project is ridiculous. If approved, would ruin the farm landscape of the immediate and adjoining areas as well as ruin adjoining property values. Who would want to live near that ?

Solar energy panels do have their place attached to buildings. Simply put though, thousands of free standing solar panels placed on rural, agricultural open space would look terrible.

I own a neighboring farm located within a half mile of the proposed site and recently, was also approached by a solar company soliciting for some of my acreage to erect their panels. There was no amount of money they could offer that I would entertain such a project and politely asked the persistent company rep to leave. Please do the same for this project proposal.

With regards,

Robert E. Van Caesele

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