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Subject: Please Protect Us

Dear Members of the Spotsylvania Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors: I am a 34-year resident of Virginia, the past 10 years in beautiful Spotsylvania County. In the coming weeks you will be voting to grant or deny the special use permit to Utah-based sPower to install a 10-square mile solar field within feet of the boundary of my Fawn Lake community.

Like most US citizens I want America to exploit the advantages of clean energy to protect the environment. HOWEVER in this particular case I am concerned my property value and health will be sacrificed to advance the financial goals of sPower. They propose a construction project of UNPRECEDENTED scale in this area of the Country. Second place isn't even close. Nor has there ever been such an industrial construction so close to an established residential community.

This means there is no prior experience or reliable data to know what the impact of this vast construction will be on the soil, water and air of this environmentally sensitive area. Experts applying their best professional judgment can say, "This should be OK." But if they are honest they must admit to an element of risk and uncertainty. If an ecological disaster results, sPower can say "Oops, sorry, my bad," and move on. Those of us who live here will pay the price in the depression of our property values and perhaps even impacts on our health. No one can say for certain how likely that scenario or high that price might be.

I imagine powerful political and financial interests will apply pressure on the Board to approve this project. I implore those in a position to protect the property and health of Spotsylvania residents to act with wisdom and courage. Thank you for your kind attention and dedicated service to your community.

Respectfully,
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