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Pre-Filed Testimony
SUE FROST
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BEFORE THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
ENERGY FACILITY SITING EVALUATION COUNCIL

In the Matter of the Application of:

DOCKET NO. EF-210011

Scout Clean Energy, LLC, for
Horse Heaven Wind Farm, LLC,
Applicant.

PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF TCC
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Q: Please state your name, employer (if relevant) and home address.

A: S. Fifer Frost, self-employed (Rickey Land & Cattle), 4107 W. 43rd Ave. Kennewick,
WA, (Includes approximately twenty acres with four buildings.)

Q: Please briefly describe your work experience and qualifications.

Early career in farming, then 21 years in several capacities (accounting, then CEO, then
Commissioner) of local municipal corporation. I currently own a private corporation and
oversee my own business and land operations. Also, I try to help others a little, including
individuals as well as charitable, municipal and educational organizations.

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2 Q: Please state the address of your home and the name of the neighborhood in which it is
3 located.

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5 A: My home address (not mailing) is 4107 W. 43rd Avenue, Kennewick, WA. It is located in
6 Canyon Lakes, South Hill.

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8 Q: Please state how long you have lived at this address and why you chose to live here.

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10 A: I have lived here for approximately thirty years. We chose the location and bought several
11 lots because it was so perfectly right for us to live for the rest of our lives. It has room to grow,
12 beautiful views in all directions, close proximity to the wonderful Horse Heaven Hills and the
13 lovely skyline they create. It also is adjacent to Bofer Canyon with its diverse and robust
14 wildlife population, natural habitat and great hiking, bicycling and exploring opportunities, all
15 beneath our treasured Horse Heaven Hills.

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17 Q: Please describe your opinion on the effect this project will have on property value of your
18 home and other homes in the area.

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20 Like so many others, every day I have the privilege of experiencing the peaceful and lovely
21 sights and sounds from the adjacent canyon and the land to the south, west and east; coyote
22 pups yipping, parent coyotes howling in the evenings, deer peacefully grazing, incredibly
23 majestic redbtail hawks flying overhead then suddenly swooping down and coming back up
24 with sustenance, geese seasonally flying low overhead looking for the best place to land and
25 feed, the occasional majestic eagle, the unlikely white pelicans making loops and swirls
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1 reminiscent of precision swimmers and so much more. And as others have experienced here,
2 I hope one day to see the magnificent ferruginous hawk circling above. If Scout's proposed
3 project is allowed to be built, this wonderful part of our state will be irrevocably damaged in
4 every important way. This will include our physical environment, recreation opportunities,
5 livability, Kennewick's ability to grow and prosper, serious diminishment of our home and
6 property values, loss of our priceless quiet enjoyment, loss of our precious vista to the south -
7 the Horse Heaven Hills with its glorious horizon, just to name a few.

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9 Instead, we will all be forced to tolerate unhealthy noise, vibration, unpleasant visual
10 sensations and more.

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12 I have seen firsthand what has happened to wind farms elsewhere when their useful life is
13 deemed over. The builders of some of these unpleasant developments have walked away,
14 leaving behind a graveyard of massive, useless behemoths for communities to somehow
15 discard.

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17 That is all too obvious. Scout's ill proposed project will not only dramatically diminish values,
18 it will render our homes undesirable and unwanted regardless of greatly diminished value.
19 Despite the thought, care, time and treasure that went into choosing this location, and despite
20 the years of diligently maintaining and improving, it will have all been for naught. My hope
21 of passing my home and property to my heirs will not be an opportunity for them. Instead, it
22 will be a burden to try to sell a wonderful home with unusual additional buildings in what will
23 have become a horrible and undesirable location.

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25 Q: Please describe your opinion of any other issues or concerns you have about the project.
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2 A: I am deeply troubled that Scout has broken all normal rules of decency for developers. I
3 have a healthy respect for private enterprise. Over many years I have dealt with various
4 corporations and have never experienced such complete disregard for a community and its
5 people. I am, in fact, disgusted by Scout's disregard for the courtesy of communication with
6 the officials and community members of our region.
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8 I am also deeply troubled by the harm that will come to our wildlife which will likely be
9 driven away, harmed or killed by the operation of the turning blades of the turbines. Like the
10 people of our community, these animals thrive here and, also like the people of our
11 community, should be allowed to continue to live in peace.
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13 I am also deeply troubled that Scout is willing to seriously harm our community in order to
14 create a relatively small amount of electricity in order to sell it elsewhere, leaving itself
15 enriched and us damaged.
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17 It's a bad idea and simply does not belong here.
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20 I am voluntarily supporting and coordinating with the local community non-profit
21 organization Tri-City CARES. I am here to share my concerns about the impacts the
22 Horse Heaven Hills Project will have on my home, property values, and the other
23 homes in my neighborhood and other similarly situated neighborhoods in Tri-Cities. I
24 acknowledge that I may be cross-examined during the adjudication hearings.
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1 I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that
2 my testimony and reports are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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4 Signed this __12__ day of June, 2023, in _Kennewick WA _____.

5 **Sue Frost** _____ /s/ _____
6 Printed Name Signature

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