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Pre-Filed Testimony  
Dennis Neil Simmelink  
EXH-5627\_T

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  
WITNESS DENNIS NEIL SIMMELINK

Q: Please state your name and address

A: Dennis Neil Simmelink, Retired, 98413 Lilliann Drive, Kennewick, WA 99338

Q: Have you prepared testimony regarding the Horse Heaven Wind Farm application?

A. Yes, my testimony is provided below.

Q: Please briefly describe your work experience and qualifications.

A: 3rd generation Horse Heaven Hills farmer. Born in Pasco before Kennewick had a hospital. Former USDA Benton County Farm Service Agency County Executive Director. Raised as a steward of the land.

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

3 98413 Lilliann Drive, Kennewick, WA 99338. Cottonwood Springs at the  
4 foothills of the Horse Heaven Hills. From my home, I can see our family farm.  
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6 Q: Please state how long you have lived at this address and why you chose to live  
7 here.

8 A: I have lived here ALL my life at different addresses. I love my home and this  
9 proposed "project" is detrimental to life.  
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11 Q: Please describe your opinion on the effect this project will have on the property  
12 value of your home and other homes in the area.  
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14 A: Utter destruction for what I have had the privilege of being a part of for 73 years.  
15 Sadly, the town has moved closer to my dad's house. Farming in this thriving  
16 community is being replaced with housing and wind farms (pray not). Give our family  
17 one million dollars an acre and we would still say no. Do not tread on US.  
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19 Q: Please describe your opinion of any other issues or concerns you have about the  
20 project.  
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22 A: Boondoggle, solves Nothing - let me say this about that.  
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24 Q: Please describe why you are testifying.

25 I am voluntarily supporting and coordinating with the local community non-profit  
26 organization Tri-City CARES, I am here to share my concerns about the impacts the

1 Horse Heaven Hills Project will have on my home, property values, and the other  
2 homes in my neighborhood and other similarly situated neighborhoods in Tri-Cities.  
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4 I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that  
5 my testimony and reports are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
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7 Signed this \_12\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2023, in \_\_Kennewick WA\_\_\_\_\_.

8 \_\_\_\_\_ Dennis Simmelink \_\_\_\_\_ /s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
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