Comment #0005 Badger Mountain Project Docket #210747

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Hello, Admit the following testimony to be included in the official record in regards to Badger Mountain solar project docket # ef-210747 Douglas county Washington. I oppose this solar project 100%. Solar only benefits the greedy, ruthless, heartless solar companies and many have foreign parent corporations. Many worth \$64 billion dollars. This and every solar corporation only exist due to the federal Department of Energy tax subsidies it receives which is every Americans tax money going to a foreign corporation. They also make profits by selling and buying energy credits. Solar corporations receive state tax breaks and incentives which we the citizens must pay for. Fund 626 gives them a sales tax exemption. When they are unable to sell their electricity to the grid we must pay them for their loss. 2013 we paid wind/solar \$2.7 million. These are the only reasons for them to be in business. These corporations do no care about global warming, saving the environment or green house gases. The only green they care about the green going in their pocket. They are solar con men - scam artists. Solar will not benefit Douglas county or the state of Washington. In fact it will do more harm than good. It will not create any meaningful full time jobs, will not supply low cost electricity to a single Douglas county or Washington state resident. It will damage the environment, harm wildlife and their habitat (sage grouse) and many more. Will not increase the local tax revenue. In fact solar will increase every citizens electric bill. It has caused major problems to the grid due to its intermittency. Solar energy is unreliable, intermittent and has caused black outs all across America causing billion of dollars of damage to citizens property and deaths. Is this what you plan to allow to happen in Douglas county and our state of Washington? Think twice

before you get in bed with a solar corporation and allow their plan to be permitted here or anywhere in our state. Your own EFSEC document states they must comply with local regulations and Douglas county has local regulations in the form of solar ordinances which are laws. They must be followed and not be bypassed by EFSEC. Every solar panel contains harmful carcinogens which will contaminate our land and pollute the ground water. Those carcinogens will end up in the food chain harming and possibly killing wildlife and Americans. Lithium-ion batteries contain harmful chemicals which endanger animals and humans. They catch fire due to thermal runaway, explode and release deadly fumes. Those fumes kill animals and humans. One day solar will be next to your home so decide wisely. Your decision will negatively impact your future life and your children. See Morris Illinois lithium ion battery fire June 29 2021. There is no method of disposal or recycling of solar panels or lithium-ion batteries. What are your plans for this problem? Bury them? That will just leave the toxic problem for your children. Inslee buy back plan only moves the problem elsewhere. It does not solve the problem. Does EFSEC have a plan for disposal/recycling of solar panels and lithium ion batteries ?? Washington will be a future superfund clean up site and these energy companies will be long gone. Guess who pays for the clean up? Me you and your children. Longi the biggest Chinese solar panel maker in the world only guarantees their panels for 12 years. Don't believe the solar reps when they tell you the panels will last 40 years.DO NOT permit this project. Washington's future will depend on your action today. Make your decision wisely. Respectfully, Greg Wagner C.E.A.S.E. citizen educated about solar energy cease2020.org