

To the Vermont Public Utilities Commission,

We are residents of Lowell and concerned citizens regarding the proposed 30-acre solar development by Northland Solar (MHG Solar) on Route 100.

Lowell is a small rural community that already hosts a large-scale renewable energy project through the existing wind towers. Additionally, our town continues to manage the environmental and property value impacts associated with the former asbestos mine. Introducing another industrial-scale energy project would further strain our community and diminish property values for local residents.

Lowell's Town Plan and vision statement emphasize preserving our identity as a **rural, agricultural town** that supports **small-scale, locally integrated businesses** — not large commercial developments. This proposed solar field conflicts with that long-term vision and with the zoning designations intended to protect it.

We respectfully ask the Commission to consider the cumulative impact on our town's residents, environment, and character when reviewing this proposal. We do not support this project and have serious concerns around the long lasting impact that this could have on our community.

Thank you for your attention and for the opportunity to share our concerns.

Sincerely,



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