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Vermont Public Utility Commission
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Public Comment from the Town of Lowell Selectboard and Zoning Board
Re: Proposed Northland Solar Project (case # 25-2346-PET)

Dear Clerk of the Commission,

The Town of Lowell Selectboard and Zoning Board appreciate the opportunity to comment on the proposed Northland Solar project. We wish to note the following points for the Commission's consideration:

1. **Town of Lowell Vision Statement** – The solar development proposal does not align with the Vision Statement in Lowell's Town Plan, which expresses an intention to prioritize agricultural use and individual entrepreneurship that integrates harmoniously with the small scale and rural character of the town.
2. **Zoning Context** – The parcel is zoned Rural Agricultural. Large-scale solar facilities are not identified as either an allowed or conditional use within this zoning district under the Town of Lowell Zoning By-laws.
3. **Community Input** – The Town has received concerns from all abutting property owners, and many other town residents regarding potential negative impacts from the project, including visual, environmental, and property value considerations.

We respectfully request that these facts be taken into account in the Public Utilities Commission's permit review process.

Submitted by:
Town of Lowell Selectboard and Zoning Board



Jennifer Blay – Selectboard Chairman



Sam Thurston, Zoning Board Chairman

Cc: Vermont Public Service Department
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