Citizens Opposed to Extensions of 27 & 150.

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**Re: 27 Charge Pond Road, Case 7-20 & 150 Tihonet Road, Case 9-20**

**Dear Chairman King and Planning Board Members:**

In connection with the Monday, March 13, 2023, Wareham Planning Board meeting concerning the pending requests for extensions of the approvals granted to the 27 Charge Pond Road (“27”) and 150 Tihonet Road (“150”) solar projects, we respectfully submit the following updated Questions and Comments.

Ensuring the public safety, interest, and welfare of the citizens of Wareham compels the denial of these extension requests (and the deliberate continuance requests.)

And we again urge that public testimony be permitted during the discussion of these projects. The absence of an opportunity for the public to rebut claims made by the applicants is manifestly unfair to the Citizens of Wareham and could deprive the Board of essential facts and evidence.

**Question**

Has it occurred to the Board that the applicants here may be gaming the system? After all, asking for and receiving multiple continuances is tantamount to an extension.

Their obvious play is to delay – delay – delay until they secure a customer (interconnection agreement). After which time, this Board loses leverage.

In the interest of the public safety, interest, and welfare of the citizens of Wareham – please do not allow for this gimmickry.

**Decommissioning Nonsense – Part 2**

The applicant now asserts the failed decommissioning argument that the 0 Route 25 applicant tried - to no avail. Namely, they will agree to reasonable decommissioning amounts and terms – but only on the condition that they can un-agree - immediately before construction begins.

There is no reason to waste ink here on all the reasons we have reviewed together already on why this re-negotiation cliff is in collision with common sense.

Furthermore, the original approval process for these projects was flawed, the actual permit conditions were insufficient, and the battery systems (a/k/a battery bombs) at the site have not received proper review.

Please deny the hearing continuance requests and vote to deny the extension petition without further delay.

For the Citizens Opposed to the Extensions of 27 & 150.

Sincerely

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