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To: Jeff Watson

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Dear Mr. Watson:

Please place this letter for review by the Commissioners before June 7.

Thank you-Kristy Busch June 2, 2016

CDS

Attn: Mr. Jeff Watson 411 N. Ruby Ste 2 Ellensburg, WA 98926

Project File Number: CU-15-00006
Project Name: Iron Horse

Applicant: OneEnergy Development LLC for Bill Hanson

Dear CDS:

The application for a conditional use permit for this project should be denied.

A solar facility consisting of 18,600 panels with an eight foot high fence is not consistent with the character or intent of an AG 20 zoning. The neighboring homeowners' property values will be detrimentally affected, not to mention the views from their homes will be ruined. The noise, dust, and glare created by the panels will also be negative effects for those living nearby. EMF from the panels could disrupt communications provided by Fairpoint to the nearby residents. The use of productive farmland for a solar facility is not in line with the agricultural character of the neighborhood. There are many other sites which are not suited to farming or home sites where this facility could be located.

Washington State has an overabundance of power, and it is only due to government subsidies and regulations that these facilities are even financially viable. When the subsidies dry up, what happens to the solar facility? The panels will be left to disintegrate and release their chemicals into the soil and water. Please look to the future, and keep land productive and beautiful for all. Consider the needs of all of the residents, not just one landowner. This is not just about this project, it is about the proper use of all AG 20 land.

Sincerely,

Dack and Kristy Busch

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