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BESS - Battery Energy Storage Systems

Greetings,

I am a lifelong Solano County Resident and a Vacaville resident for 45 years, almost my entire 52 year life.

I am against the BESS facilities if they are using Lithium Ion batteries. We have all seen the fires at Moss Landing, the Fires in Arizona, Souther California and more. These fires are not easily put out, they cause smoke, gases, particles in the air, which end up being particles on the land, and in our waters. Schools, businesses and homes have to shelter in place to avoid the toxic fumes. What happens if that happens In Vacaville when it's 100 outside or 104 like yesterday (although my dash read 107). Can you imagine the power outages caused by the people who can't open their doors and windows and are trying to run the air conditioner, which won't be advised to do, but what do you do when it's hot outside and inside.

I am not against the battery energy storage, but

- 1 I would like the usage for the Vacaville people, if our air, soil and water are being potentially contaminated, then we should benefit from it, not SF people.
- 2 what is the impact on people of Hydrogen flouride being released from BESS facilities?

Hydrogen cyanide is heavier than air, isn't it. So if that is leaking out, then it will be in our soil and our water and guess where our ground water runs off to, the creeks, which feed to the Suisun Slews and then to the OCEAN. Yes, by then the parts per million will be lower, but not to the homeowners on Killkenny. It will be in their well water, who will be supplying them with water to drink or water their crops with. What will their crops, personal or for sale be worth?

- 3 speaking of values, what will placing a BESS system across the street from homes do to the value of their land? Land and homes that have been in their family for generations?
- 4 Will there be a vicim fund created for the property owners and the people harmed by BESS? How will this be held and will this be above their Bridge Insurance policy?
- 5 Why does the Bridge Insurance policy only covers 50% of the damages? Why start out underinsured and under protected for your residents.

I know the governor has orders that BESS needs to be in place and I realize we are the cheapest place to do it as we have the substation across the street. But when have you heard of Big Business caring about anything other than their pocketbooks. If they want it, build it in SF, find a way to run the lines to get what they want. So why not protect our people.

Residents of our county. I know that there are other ways to do this that don't include Lithium batteries that can't be put out and cause so much damage.

Please look out for our local community, we don't want another Erin Brokovich situation on our hands in Vacaville. Keep Vacaville Safe, keep our air, water and soil clean.

Please don't allow the BESS companies to go around the items that Vacaville and Solano County have laid out to protect us. Don't let them run and get away with what they want, because all they want is what's best for their pocketbooks and we know they don't actually care about us. Look at what meager promotion has been done about both facilities that were looking to go into Vacaville. Thank you

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