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Please honor local ordinances and measures

Public Comment to the California Energy Commission (CEC)
Subject: Request to Honor Local Ordinances and Measure T “Corby BESS Project

Dear Commissioners,

I respectfully urge the California Energy Commission to honor Solano County’s and the City of Vacaville’s ordinances that define where Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) projects may be located. These local regulations exist to protect public safety, preserve prime agricultural land, and ensure that industrial-scale facilities are placed in appropriate zones.

The current proposed site also presents wildlife concerns, including habitat impacts on burrowing owls, a species of local ecological importance. Constructing a BESS facility in this location would disrupt these sensitive habitats and violate the principle of minimizing environmental harm.

Additionally, I ask the CEC to respect Solano County’s Measure T, which reflects the community’s intent to safeguard farmland, limit industrial encroachment, and uphold public safety in rural areas. By aligning with these local policies, the Commission can ensure that renewable energy development proceeds responsibly, safely, and in a manner consistent with community priorities and environmental protections.

Thank you for your attention and for respecting the voices of Solano County residents, local ordinances, and wildlife considerations by entertaining moving the project to the Lambie Industrial Park.

Sincerely,
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