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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing as a concerned Vacaville resident to strongly urge the California Energy Commission to require NextEra to move the Corby Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Project to the Lambie Industrial Park site.

The current proposed location is not appropriate for such an industrial-scale project. It places our community and agricultural land at unnecessary risk. The project site occupies prime farmland, directly undermining Solano County's long-standing commitment to protect agricultural resources and the intent of Measure T. Converting this productive farmland to industrial use would set a damaging precedent and permanently remove valuable acreage from food production.

Beyond the agricultural loss, public safety concerns are significant. Large battery storage facilities pose a fire risk and potential for toxic smoke in the event of a thermal runaway incident. Locating the facility so close to homes, schools, and major highways like I-80 puts residents at unnecessary risk. Moving the project to Lambie Industrial Park would substantially reduce these dangers, as it is already zoned for industrial use and located farther from residential areas and community infrastructure.

NextEra itself has acknowledged that Lambie Industrial Park is a feasible alternative location. Their objections about minor logistical challenges or slight delays do not outweigh the long-term safety and environmental benefits for our community. Protecting public safety and preserving farmland must take precedence over developer convenience.

I appreciate the Commission's consideration of community input on this vital issue. I respectfully ask that you direct NextEra to relocate the Corby BESS Project to the Lambie Industrial Park, which is the most responsible, compliant, and community-supported site.

Thank you for your time and dedication to ensuring responsible energy development that aligns with California's values of sustainability and safety. I strongly oppose the Byrnes Road location as the safety of our community is at risk and the future of our children.

Sincerely,

Macy Nielson

Vacaville Resident