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Opposition Letter Corby BESS Site Location

Dear Members of the CEC,

I am opposed to the current Corby BESS siting, requesting instead the Lambie Industrial site location.

On September 1, 2026, you heard the stakeholders of Solano County speak. The well-documented determination of this community is that the Corby BESS must be removed from prime, top-tier farmland and relocated to the Lambie Industrial site.

To add more safety, NextEra Energy should invest in non-flammable battery technology. This would prevent the likelihood of a toxic lithium-based contamination of the lives and livelihoods of this agricultural county. The millions of dollars spent by NextEra Energy on relocation would be far less than the generational loss of value to the land, the water, the food production, and the health and jobs of the people being asked to take on this BESS burden.

Currently, the Draft EIR may have mathematical mistakes of the Project's contamination risks, including the potential for lithium or aluminum contamination if a Project-related fire or accident occurred. This point must be addressed and corrected as it would pose a significant error, causing a recirculation of the corrected Draft EIR.

The Draft EIR also relies on contingencies, NOT full plans. Emergency evacuation plans must be fully laid out with detailed plans for how to move people to safety. Undefined contingencies don't allow Agencies with Jurisdiction to develop these plans before approval or the Public to review and comment on areas of such significance.

As stated before, the CEC's responsibility is not simply to determine whether California needs additional energy storage. It is also to determine whether this project, in this location, with this technology and configuration, represents an appropriate way to meet that need.

With over 2,000 letters of Opposition, the record before the Commission demonstrates that many Vacaville residents believe there are better, safer, and more appropriate ways to achieve California's energy-storage objectives without placing this particular project and its associated impacts in this location.

Lambie Industrial site is the most humane and environmentally safe site for the proposed Corby BESS.

Thank you,
Diane Dutton-Jones