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## **Deny Corby BESS Permit Application - Inaccurate Analysis of Historic Site**

December 4, 2024

Renee Longman, Project Manager  
California Energy Commission  
RE: Docket# 24-OPT-05 - Corby Energy Storage, LLC (Applicant)

Dear Ms. Renee Longman:

The Corby Energy Storage LLC's permit application for a BESS project proposed off Kilkenny Road in Vacaville, Solano County, should be denied and is incomplete in several respects, as summarized below.

The project site is across from a significant historical site located at 5310 Kilkenny Road in Vacaville, Solano County (APN 0141-030-010). According to documents obtained from the Solano County Planning Department, the Kilkenny Victorian Farmhouse was constructed and designed by renowned builder George H. Sharpe, in the 1890s.

A lithium-ion BESS project, given its known hazards, will cause substantial adverse change to this historic property and the surrounding agricultural land, which is prime agricultural land and farmland of statewide significance.

The Applicant and its consultants failed to consult with the Solano County Historical Society ("Historical Society") regarding the Kilkenny Victorian Farmhouse. In fact, the Applicant and its consultants appear to have made inaccurate conclusions under Section 4.5 of the Cultural Resources report (e.g., claiming the Victorian Home at 5310 Kilkenny Road home was "not the work of a master architect, builder, designer, or engineer.") To confirm the historical significance of the Victorian Farmhouse and surrounding agricultural land, please contact the Historical Society.

<https://www.solcohs.org/contact-us>

The Corby Energy Storage BESS permit application should be denied and deemed incomplete because the historical significance was not completely analyzed, and because the Victorian Farmhouse and surrounding agricultural land is an important asset to the public, County and the State as evidenced by a Land Conservation Agreement, which will be addressed in a separate comment.

Please note that I have additional comments to submit, and because of file size limitations, I will be providing multiple comments. This is my first comment.

Thank you.

Alicia Minyen  
Concerned Resident of Vacaville