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From: Meghan Paradzinski [REDACTED]
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Subject: Re: BESS Proposal

Hi Emily,

I have concerns about this plan location. I understand the pros of having this type of system however the location is not safe being so close to our residential/commercial zone line.

This proposed location is less than 100m from my home. It is even closer to a farm/barn with livestock on the property, I'd say as close as 20m. The animals free roam field includes the proposed location which would mean they now have less grazing space and the impacts white noise from the machine are known for causing issues to animals.

I do feel safe raising my 3 young children and our family dog this close to the system. With simple research the hazards of explosion and fire risk are great and I fear this system could erupt well my family is sleeping. We do not have any local family members to take shelter at in case of an evacuation emergency.

Is our local fire department fully hands on trained with lithium battery fires? How does this impact home and auto insurances when it will be located on my home property?

What benefits and guarantees can this company give my family to secure our safety and livelihood?

When speaking with my landlord (Amos Kuepfer) he did not understand or was made fully aware of the risks of these systems on his property. I feel this company has chosen to blindside him as he does not know or understand the hydro concepts with this type of equipment. He does not use the internet or modern-day resources.

The town of Chesley was not easily made aware of these meetings being held in another town? (Paisley) I never received a form, I found out from another member in town. How can someone who lives directly on this property not be notified of meetings? A neighbor of ours found his form in a tree branch at the end of his driveway. He is a retired senior who would

have answered the door if given the opportunity to receive these forms.

Our town has not been affected by a brown out or power loss to require this system directly in town. This company can choose a further out agriculture zone that's further from the homes and schools in our community.

I understand the positives of this device, my only concern is the terrible location.
