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Re: CS Energy application for BEMS solar array in Southampton

Dear PSE&G Leadership,

We are writing on behalf of Southampton Township and its application through CS Energy to allow a three-pole array placement on Big Hill Road as part of an ongoing solar project. We believe the township's proposed plan would be of minimal impact to surrounding residents in a populated development, while delivering important, carbon-free energy to the surrounding area.

The township originally contracted with CS Energy and BEMS Landfill Solar to install a switchgear on St. David's Place, in the middle of a cul-de-sac in a senior community. Construction of the switchgear was widely criticized for lowering the quality of life in a residential development where the electrical unit has greatly stuck out. Now all parties involved are looking to gain permissions to attach pole-mounted equipment to existing utility poles on Big Hill Road, which would reduce the high level of disturbance created by the switchgear that was erected on St. David's Place.

While we know PSE&G has its own policies in place and reviews to conduct, this situation has greatly affected a large constituency in our district, and we wanted to lend our support to the people of the neighborhood in hopes a better solution can be found than the current switchgear. We hope that you'll take this testimony into consideration, and we thank you for great work you have always done on behalf of the people of New Jersey.

Senator Jean Stanfield

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