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Name of Project: Middlebrook
Solar Farm
Application No: SSD-10455

I do not require my details to be withheld.

I declare I have made no reportable political donations in the last two years.

I acknowledge and accept the Department's disclaimer and declaration.

OBJECTION

I am a livestock and hay articulated truck driver and farmer. I truck livestock for farms in the area close to the Middlebrook Solar farm proposal and I often drive, professionally and otherwise on both Marsden Park Road and Middlebrook Road.

I also source cattle from a nearby property for my farming business and know the area is a highly regarded and productive farming and grazing district.

I object to the proposed Middlebrook Solar Farm for the below reasons.

- (A) I am appalled that such a large scale, inappropriate development is proposed in a quiet farmland setting.
- (B) The proposal will increase vehicle movements dramatically during construction and even after construction. Both roads are unsuitable for a high volume of traffic of any sort and the safety hazards of dust and poor road surfaces will increase greatly. There will be more dangerous tyre and suspension damage. I understand water tankers are proposed and this will cause further damage due to mud, slippery road surface and the sheer number of tankers required to effectively dampen the dusty roads. Tamworth Council has in the past been unable to satisfactorily maintain these roads even with the current low traffic flows.
- (C) Both Middlebrook Road and Marsden Park Road will need to be widened and sealed, and maintained to B-double standards if this development is to go ahead safely.
- (D) I understand there will be approximately 48km of unsealed internal roads on site. The district's soil is particularly dusty and every internal vehicle movement will create a cloud of fine dust which will travel like a fog over every dwelling, road and farm for many kilometres. This is a

further safety issue to users of nearby roads and will badly impact adjoining farmland unless that dust is also suppressed onsite.

Yours Sincerely

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