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Hello,

Please see the email, provided as comments for the Benton Solar Project, sent by Gerry Goble.

Thank you,

Logan Hicks

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Hi,

Subject: Benton Solar Project - Docket Numbers 23-423; 24-283; 23-425

Dear Mr. Hicks,

I would like to express my support for the project for the benefit of the greater Foley community.

NextEra has demonstrated what it means to be a responsible and engaged community partner. Their support of local initiatives, including those that benefit youth development and outdoor education like Scouting, reflects a deep commitment to the future of our region. I am especially encouraged by the Benton Solar Energy Center project and the positive impact it

promises for Benton County. I work with the local Scout troop here and NextEra has shown its support to our organization ahead of this project and met with some of our leaders here to see what we do to help work with the youth in our area.

This over \$300 million investment represents job creation, economic growth, and long-term benefits for landowners and families in our area. I encourage you to support a project that uplifts local communities through meaningful partnerships.

Thank you for your consideration of this important project. I look forward to continuing a relationship with NextEra Energy Resources and supporting efforts that strengthen our community.

Sincerely,

Gerry Goble

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