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Kittitas County Community Development Services
411 N. Ruby, Suite 2
Ellensburg, WA 98926
Attn: Chace Pedersen, Staff Planner

Re: Conditional Use Permit CU-24-00003 Schnebly Coulee Solar Farm

Mr. Pedersen,

The Schnebly Coulee Solar Farm is a proposed 90 MW solar power production facility to be sited on land owned by our family (Poison Springs LLC). As 3rd generation landowners of these parcels, we support this project as it will provide our family the opportunity to maintain ownership of the property as well as provide us with long-term, predictable revenue. Our family (Clerf Livestock Co.) retired from the livestock industry in the 1980's but we continue to provide yearly grazing rights on our property to S. Martinez Livestock Inc. and Charlton Farms.

The Poison Springs LLC property has limited productivity (no irrigation water rights) so we have chosen to lease our land to Invenergy (Schnebly Coulee Solar) for this proposed project. We believe this project will not adversely impact or increase the cost of farming practices near the project. We also anticipate no significant impact to the ongoing grazing operations.

Invenergy has proven to be a reputable and knowledgeable partner in the renewable energy industry both world-wide and within Kittitas County. The Vantage Wind Farm, located east of the proposed solar project, began permitting in 2007 and became operational in 2010. This project is still owned by Invenergy and Kittitas County themselves have 4 wind turbines located on property at Ryegrass Landfill. Kittitas County Solid Waste receives a yearly revenue payment for these turbines. (Kittitas County Ordinance No. 2009-24)

The Schnebly Coulee Solar project will be a positive benefit to our family and to the community as a whole.

Sincerely,



Judy Webb, Manager

Poison Springs LLC
Members/Owners: Judy Webb
Peggy Tehan
MaryBeth Kahn