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## to my satisfaction:

- i) The scale of this project, and it's cumulative effect with all the other similar projects in the pipeline has simply not been appreciated, and the sheer scale effects on the landscape and the poor people and wildlife who will have to live in these solar deserts. We are currently looking at around 15000 acres of solar farms in this area of Lincs and Notts. This true visual impact of this has not been fully considered, the companies have no real plan as to how this can be disguised, you can't grow trees overnight to shield 4.5 m high panels. The effect on wildlife (ripping up hedgerows, culling wildlife, enclosure fences etc.) has not fully been considered, nor is there a salient biodiversity plan in place. What about local heritage sites how will they be effected? What about people's well being? What about the HUGE amount of disruption that will be caused to people's lives? None of these points have been satisfactorily covered.
- ii) Can we afford to lose this much VALUABLE farmland, given that we need more food security in the UK, with all the climate change and geopolitical tensions around the World?
- iii) Alongside point ii) does it make any sense at all to lose all this farmland to low efficient solar at these latitudes. Solar is only around 10% efficient at these latitudes.
- iv) Are solar panels really that much greener than fossil fuels to justify ripping all this farmland up for them? How much environmental damage is done in their production, shipping and installation?
- v) Is this the right place for these panels, has this (and other) company considered brownfield sites, roofs, contaminated land etc. for the panels rather than destroying thousands of acres of good farmland? I do not think the company has considered this, especially in light of recent government policy changes for permitted development of solar, and what is happening in other countries.
- vi) Given recent, and increasing flooding, is the Trent valley a clever place to put such a huge electrical development, given that much of it will be high voltage?
- v) what is this company going to put back into the communities it proposes to basically destroy. Nothing as far as I can see. They are simply about profit at all costs.

Please stop this (and other) project. It simply does not make any sense. There are other, greener, and less damaging ways of generating cleaner electricity.