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Bill Mackey, AICP
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Dear Mr. Mackey and members of the CRU Task Force:

This letter comments on item P2 re utility scale energy systems in the Agricultural Zoning District, listed on the 11 August agenda of the CRU Task Force.

As a Kent County residents and taxpayers, we are opposed to such a change.

The Agricultural Zoning District should be preserved for agriculture. The 2018 Comprehensive Plan expresses clearly the public sentiment to retain the rural character of Kent County, consistent with reasonable economic growth in areas zoned for more intense industrial or residential activities.

Other alternatives to carbon-based energy are available in abundance, with safe, 24-hour, all weather, reasonably priced, proven technologies. Solar systems, like wind turbines, might contribute partially to our future needs for electricity, but need not displace our food producing landscape.

Please help keep Kent County green.

Sincerely,

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