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**Subject:** Berden Hall Farm (Pelham Solar)

Application number on S62A/22/0006 (and UTT/22/2046/PINS)

I am writing to object to the proposal by Statera to construct a solar farm on 177 acres of land at Berden Hall Farm.

My name is Mrs Pauline Ayres

The reasons for my objection are as follows:

This is destroying valuable farmland, which is needed for food production, to reduce the amount we import and the climate issues that this importation is causing.

This will destroy a valuable wildlife site.

We do need green energy, but this should be achieved by putting solar panels on new build houses. There seems to be no "joined-up thinking", thousands of new houses have been built on the outskirts of Bishop's Stortford, none of which have solar panels on their rooves. It would have been far better use of the land to install solar panels on all the new build houses rather than retrospectively building a massive solar panel farm using more land, which should be used for farming. This would also have been a benefit to the owners of the new houses as they would have been cheaper to run, especially with the way energy prices have risen in recent months.

Kind regards, Mrs Pauline A Ayres