From: Douglas Northcott

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To: Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

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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 Douglas Northcott

I live at

The reason for my objection is as follows:

The world is facing a food shortage and this development would take 177 acres of highly productive arable land out of production. Liz Truss, then DEFRA minister stated "I want to see English farm land dedicated to growing quality food and crops". Farming is what our farms are for."

Statera have the alternative of roof tops. The building research establishment has calculated that there are HALF A MILLION ACRES of roof tops facing the right direction for solar panels. The new design of solar panels is thin and lightweight and suitable for these rooftops. For example the terminal building at Stanstead Airport could be used.

Yours faithfully

**Douglas Northcott**