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Members of the PUC

My name is Sheila Monnier, I am quite sure you recognize my name as I have become one of the voices in our community who are strongly opposed to the Toronto Power Plant. I am attaching a signature sheet of the 18 FARM FAMILIES who live within 2 miles of the proposed power plant site. I could keep going farther out and gather signatures from those all around us within 10 miles if you would like.

I spent a weekend going to my neighbors and talking with them about this plant, something that no one else has done. It seems as if we can express our worries and concerns, but not one single representative from the county, state or company spokesperson has reached out to us individually. We are all worried about the long term effects of our health and safety. WE have concerns with the construction process, our first responders, and the environment around us. Many of us are on family farms that have been in our families for several generations. This is not the vision we have, the comprehensive plan for Deuel County states we promote agriculture.

We have several projects on the table, and we feel we have already endured enough "industrialization". The Astoria plant has given a taste of what is to come, and many of us hear the noise or humming that is enough to drive you crazy! We question the need for another plant.

Please hear us! Our state Motto states "Under God The People Rule" I can assure you that many prayers are being sent heavenward that you will make the right decision and for once go with the people of Deuel County.

Thank you for your time and consideration

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