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CATAWBA PLANNING AND PARKS DEPARTMENT
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Attn: Susan Ballbach

Re: Statement of Circumstances for OWEN Solar

To whom it may concern,

This letter is written on behalf of Sunlight Partners, developer of the proposed improvements, OWEN Solar, as a formal request to allow the development within Catawba County.

The purpose for this development is to construct and operate an alternative energy resource within the proposed site. There are many benefits to allowing such a development which include a tax base income to the County / Community, employment for both short term construction and long term operation opportunities, and providing another energy resource for the County and State.

There is no evidence that such a development would reduce adjacent property values. No hazardous or environmentally unfriendly materials will be used and the only potential environmental impact would occur during construction which would include possible dust. These facilities are physically blocked by a fence with barbed wire to impede trespassing as well as visually blocked by vegetation.

Considering the abovementioned benefits this development will bring to the community and the County, OWEN Solar will positively impact the area.

Thank you for your consideration.

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