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Dear Secretary of State

Botley West Solar Farm: EN010147

I am disappointed that the Applicant's late submissions have been accepted causing further delay in the decision for Botley West and requesting yet another response from Interested Parties.

I am a supporter of the Stop Botley West campaign and fully endorse the comprehensive SBW submission of 16 July [\[C2-161\]](#). I am concerned that despite these new proposals the Application is still irretrievably flawed. Too many questions remain unanswered and the Applicant seeks to defer too many important decisions until after any development consent is granted when they will be beyond public scrutiny and challenge.

Many objections and unresolved issues have have been raised. To these must be added:

It is contrary to proposed government objectives. The use of much of the land for the purpose intended is directly antagonistic to the government's recently stated aim of increasing British self-sufficiency in food production; namely that much productive land will taken out of use and will cease to be available for agricultural purposes. For this reason alone development consent should not be granted.

I respectfully request the Secretary of State to refuse outright the grant of a DCO for this Application.

Yours sincerely,

Ivor Spackman