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Dear Michael Judge and the Siting Board,

Like many concerned and involved groups and individuals across the state we are disturbed that we did not get a notification of these meetings directly from you. I can imagine there are many hundreds of other "stakeholders" also being in the dark about this.

We have been advocating for responsible solar siting since 2014 when the Town of Plymouth allowed 25 acres of Wampanoag ancient lands and globally rare Pine Barrens in the Herring Pond River ACEC to be obliterated for industrial solar with basically only a building permit. This was only the beginning of the ongoing destruction of land in the region and one reason why we have stayed actively engaged with our communities providing education to address the issue of responsible solar siting.

We published one of the first reports calling for responsible solar siting in 2015.

Mr. Judge and others have stated that coming up with regulations to implement the Climate Bill would be an open and robust process with "stakeholder" meetings across the state.

Why is there no meeting planned in Carver, Wareham or Plymouth, ground zero for solar gone wrong? Our woodlands, wetlands and Environmental Justice communities are some of the most negatively impacted in the state by industrial scale deforestation for solar and battery projects.

On behalf of our network I am requesting that you fix these errors by:

1- Sending a notice directly to all of your stakeholder lists related to solar siting or other related topics.

2- Hold a hearing/hearing in Wareham MA so that people can conveniently attend.

I look forward to your prompt response.

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