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To whom it may concern.

I am one of the biggest fans or solar there is. I have had solar PV on my house since 2005 and solar hot water since 2007. I also have help over 3 dozen houses of worship get solar panels as president of Massachusetts Interfaith Power & Light.

BUT....

Clearing forests is the wrong way to add solar to the grid. Forests are a carbon sink and continue to take carbon out of the air, which has become a critical necessity since the nations of the world have failed to lower carbon emissions sufficiently.

A better way to add more solar is to enable more low income households and communities to participate in SMART and find ways to encourage more large scale rooftop solar, such as on malls, large offfice complexes, factories, etc.

thank you.

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