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Please see attached correspondence from Scott J. Welsh, Chairperson, of the Solway Town Board dated October 15, 2025.

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Mayor Wayne Boucher & Hermantown City Council  
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The Town Board of Solway Township is asking you to reconsider the proposed location of the data center project.

The data center's adverse effect on our residents within miles of the facility is incalculable, including noise, reduced property values, likely increased utility costs, environmental impacts, and quality of life.

The AUAR does not answer some concerns our residents have. The most asked questions are:

1. The number, size and location of generators;
2. How much noise and light will the data center generate;
3. How can a project of this scale not have an environmental impact statement?

We believe that the people most affected by this project should be heard. Residents of Solway, Midway and Hermantown have many legitimate concerns. Please listen to them.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Welsh". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Scott J. Welsh, Chairperson  
Solway Town Board

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