Testimonial from a neighbor who lives 300 yards away.

RE: MetEd's horrible blue LED lights

I am very concerned about MetEd installing bright blue LED streetlights in our town. The one that was briefly installed was bad, and I'm glad it was removed (the town said it was only temporary though), due to protest. We shouldn't have any more of them here.

I live nearly 300 yards away from where the light was. Even from that far away, it looks bad- it's harsh and way too bright.

I went to look at it and I was shocked. It was much too bright, and this awful blue color. It was ugly and it made things look bad. It belonged at a car dealership, not a street with houses! It didn't even have a shade!

I'm also worried about how these lights will affect plants and animals. Plants die under bright blue LED lights! The light spills over into agricultural areas, and it's a disaster for crops and gardens. The lights are bad for livestock, too. They're also bad for wildlife. Deer get more confused by them, and are more likely to run out into the road and cause car crashes.

It's also really hard to see under this kind of light. It's blinding, and the shadows are very dark. It's dangerous to drive under. It's even hard to park a car under them! I'd be scared to walk under them, too, in case a car wouldn't see me and hit me.

I was encouraged when I attended a Borough meeting last year, with many others who have concerns. It seemed at the time like we were taken seriously. I was really disappointed to hear that there has been inaction and pushback since then

I think these lights are bad for our borough and everyone who lives here. We need to have safe lighting that's not harsh and blue, and has shades.

Thank you,

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