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**To:** Gary Hanson

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Mr. Hanson,

I have visited with you on a couple occasions and have appreciated the discussions that we have had.

I do have a question for you regarding wind farm applicatinos and what is needed for you to deny an application. I understnd that there are the easy denials if it isn't in compliance with a state or local law. What I am having a difficult time understanding is other than that what will guide you to deny a permit? When looking at the recent filing for the Crocker project there was testimony by the applicants that was certainly at the very least questionable and quite likely they were being dishonest in some of what was stated. In addition there was testimony during this process by numerous parties, including some at the State level, that felt that the application was not in the best interest of the area. It would appear that the applicant could not satisfy what needed to be satisfied and the permit should have been denied. Yet, that wasn't the case.

I guess I am questioning if any application will be denied unless there is something so grossly negligent within the application?

Thanks in your help to try and understand this process further. I would be happy to have coffee sometime and discuss this in person when you are in the Sioux Falls area.

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