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Subject: PREVAILING WINDS PROJECT

Reply-To: Damon Mogck [REDACTED]

Commissioners Nelson, Fiegen and Hanson,

I'm emailing to voice my SUPPORT for the proposed wind project in Bon Homme and Charles Mix counties called Prevailing Winds. I attended the meeting last week in Avon and didn't want to waste anyone's time as it went extremely late already so I figured an email could accomplish the same thing.

First, I'm not an investor nor do I own any land that would be within the scope of this project. I am however a concerned citizen of our state, our country and of our world. For me, wind energy is an absolute no brainer when it comes to finding clean energy to compliment and to help reduce the burden on the other forms of energy. Money aside, wind energy is good for our environment. There are little to no global warning emissions that come from wind and having a lesser reliance on fossil fuels will improve our public health and environmental quality. We have a vast amount of wind here in South Dakota and for us to not take advantage of this resource would be both irresponsible and unwise.

Sure we do need the governments help in the form of tax credits to launch this project; I would venture to say that many projects we undertake of this scale have needed government support historically. Once up and running though, wind can stand on its own and will be our cheapest form of energy within the next decade.

Noise; our family has pasture that has a tower on it in Hutchinson county so I've spent quite a bit of time underneath these towers. First, my oscillating fan in our bedroom makes more noise than one of these towers. They are remarkably quite quiet. Secondly, our cows actually like it for the shade it provides; I'll drive out many days and find them lined up underneath the shade the tower is providing.

Alot of complaints that I hear are about the way the towers look. I disagree completely with that argument. To me, when I look at the towers I see progress. We've had quite a few out of state friends come to visit the last few months and in every case they've told

us how beautiful they think the towers look. I hope to build a cabin on some land we own by Tripp Lake someday and having the towers in the distance will only enhance the landscape as I see it.

Every so often, we as individuals are presented with opportunities to improve our world. This is one of those opportunities and I want to know that I live in a state which has progressive minded people making decisions for the greater good of our communities. I'm going to make sure my 5 year old daughter knows that her dad did everything he could to make her world a better place and building this wind farm is something I am compelled to support to make sure she lives in a more environmentally stable, healthier place.

Sincerely,

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