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**From:** PUC

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Mr. Hubner:

This is in response to your message regarding the PUC's website and the model wind ordinance. Wind and wireless tower zoning models were developed in 2008 by a task force that included the PUC at the request of numerous municipal zoning boards and county governments in South Dakota. The models were deemed no longer valuable or useful given technological advancements and a plethora of zoning ordinances that have since been developed and adopted throughout the state and the country to address the latest wind and wireless technology.

The PUC removed the model ordinances from its website months ago, and has since also removed several links to wind energy resources that are out-of-date and no longer deemed of value. Therefore, it is no longer correct to reference a model wind ordinance on the PUC's website.

Your message and this response will be posted under Comments and Responses in the PUC's open wind siting docket, EL17-028.

Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director

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