From: Luveta Sent: Sunday, 01 October 2017 17:23:09 (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada) To: PUC Subject: [EXT] Crocker Wind Farm Support EL17-028

Please find attached personal testimony for support of the Crocker Wind Farm project. Refer to CL17-028.

I appreciate your consideration for this very important project.

Participant and Supporter of Crocker Wind farm

Luveta Wicks AKA Luveta Nickels Husband -

Luveta Nickels The Junk Jeans People

Clark, SD 57225

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Testimony in Support of the Crocker Wind Farm

SD PUC Public Hearing September 13th, 2017

Name: Luveta Wicks or AKA Luveta Nickels (Husband -

Address:

Phone:

Dear South Dakota Public Utility Commissioners,

My husband **and I** are landowners, supporters & participants of the Crocker Wind Farms. Our farmstead is inside of the proposed project area. I'm also a county employee and support growth of our community.

As a landowner who also lives within the proposed project area, I believe we should have rights to do with our land as we desire by following the county ordinance put in place with a 1000' set back from unsigned homes. After hearing and considering the concerns of the opponents we worked with Geronimo and agreed to compromise and double the setback to unsigned homes to 2,000'. This included give up the possibility of multiple potential tower locations but it still wasn't good enough to satisfy the opponents unrealistic demands. **We are optimistic that the County setback topic will be resolved through the legal appeal process.** Geronimo has done everything to be transparent and work with everyone on the project.

I believe this project will bring prosperity to the community and all parties would benefit in many ways. I also believe Clean renewable energy is good for the environment.

I want to say again; the Landowners rights should be considered!

In conclusion, I ask for your approval of the Crocker Wind Farm Permit.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Luveta Wicks

Landowner and participant in the Crocker Wind Farm Project